

# The Pension Roll

## MICHAEL CLAREY

MICHAEL CLAREY, water service repair man Northern division, was retired from service March 31, due to his having reached the age limit. He was born March 15, 1863, at Laundale, Ill., and attended the schools at Paola, Kans. He entered Frisco service on April 1, 1885, as pumper at Paola, Kans., and was promoted to pump repair helper in 1887. He was later made pump repairer and was promoted to water service foreman March, 1895, and served on the Northern division, where he remained throughout his service. He is not married and resides at 501 West Wea Street, Paola, Kans. Continuous service of 47 years and 8 months entitles him to a pension allowance of \$81.65 a month, effective from April 1, 1933.

## JAMES COKER

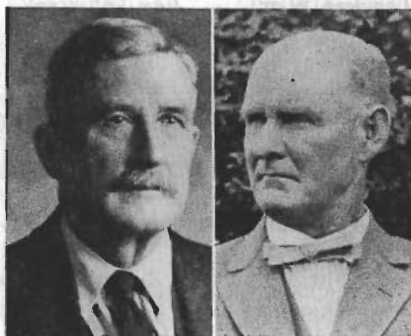
JAMES COKER, section foreman, Norwood, Mo., was retired from service on March 31, 1933, due to his having reached the age limit. He was born March 26, 1863, at Wallace, Mo., and attended the schools in Buchanan County, Mo. He worked for the CRI&P Railroad before coming with Frisco Lines as a section laborer at Willow Springs, Mo., on December 1, 1888. His entire service as section foreman was on the Frisco's Southern division. On January 24, 1883, he married Laura Irvan of Van Buren, Ark., and to them were born two sons and three daughters. Mr. and Mrs. Coker reside in Norwood, Mo. Continuous service of 40 years and 9 months entitles him to a pension allowance of \$42.80 a month, effective from April 1, 1933.

## PATRICK CROWLEY

PATRICK CROWLEY, conductor, Eastern division, was retired from active service March 31, 1933, due to his having reached the age limit. He was born March 4, 1863, at LaRue, Ohio, and educated in the schools near his home. He served the New York Central, Wichita & Western and MK&T Railroads before coming with Frisco Lines as a freight conductor out of Springfield, Mo., August, 1899. He was promoted to passenger conductor and served his entire time on the Eastern division. He married

*Four Frisco Lines Veteran employees, with combined service of 142 years, were retired and placed on the Pension Roll at a meeting of the Board of Pensions, held April 20, 1933, at the St. Louis general office.*

Emma Weller, of Galion, Ohio. They have no children. Mr. and Mrs. Crowley reside in Valley Park, Mo. Continuous service of 33 years and 8 months entitles him to a pension allowance of \$70.50 a month, effective from April 1, 1933.



*The photos above are of the veterans pensioned during the month of April. Reading from left to right: Michael Clarey and James Coker.*

## SYLVESTER ALONZO HATHAWAY

SYLVESTER ALONZO HATHAWAY, operator, Chelsea, Okla., was retired from active service March 31, 1933, due to his having reached the age limit. He was born March 16, 1863, at Hanna, Ind., and was educated in the Lowell, Ind., schools. He served as agent and operator for the C&WM, Big Four and Great Northern, coming with Frisco Lines as telegrapher on April 29, 1913, at Bristow, Okla. He also served as operator-cashier and agent at Chelsea, Catale, Davenport and Foyil, Okla., and completed his service at the Chelsea, Okla., station. He married Lizzie Hatton Curry, of Benton Harbor, Mich., October 26, 1886, and to them was born one son. Mr. and Mrs. Hathaway reside in Chelsea, Okla. Continuous service of 19 years and 11 months entitles him to a pension allowance of \$26.15 a month, effective from April 1, 1933.

## In Memoriam

### WILLIAM FRANKLIN NOBLES

WILLIAM FRANKLIN NOBLES, pensioned shop laborer, of Springfield, Mo., died at his home on May 6. He was pensioned on October 31, 1929, due to his having reached the age limit. His pension allowance was \$20.00 a month, and during his lifetime he was paid a total of \$860.00.

### FILEY D. MOORE

FILEY D. MOORE, pensioned engineer, died at his home in Kansas City on May 13. He was retired from active service April 14, 1927, due to total disability. He began his service with Frisco Lines as a wiper and fire knocker at Kansas City in 1903, was promoted to fireman and to engineer in 1919. His pension allowance was \$33.75 a month and, during his lifetime, he was paid a total of \$2,420.55.

### PIONEER WOMAN TELEGRAPHER

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was one of the big wool shippers, and, in his frequent trips to the station, he met and learned to love Jennie Herring, and she later became Mrs. F. W. Hull.

She gave up her position with the railroad in 1885 and one of her most treasured possessions is a letter from J. R. Wentworth, one time superintendent, which reads as follows: "This will certify that Miss Jennie Herring has been employed by this company as telegraph operator for the past five years. She is a good operator, has been very faithful to business and always gave excellent satisfaction. I can heartily recommend her to anyone in need of her services". The letter is written in long hand and is dated October 12, 1885.

About that time her father built and operated the old Summit House in Beaumont, having left the Frisco, and it was Beaumont's only hotel and stands there yet. Mrs. Hull then moved to Oklahoma on a farm, where she started in the chicken business. She remembers her first experience with an incubator. After securing

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## Frisco Graduates From Monett, Mo., High



(Front row, left to right) Margaret Rittenhouse, daughter S. O. Rittenhouse, switchman; Billie Al Giester, son F. W. Giester, electrician; Willma Trotter, daughter Conductor Trotter; Clyde Blakeslee, son D. C. Blakeslee, engineer; Margaret Bowen, daughter Gleason Bowen, switchman; A. W. Gilbert, Jr., son A. W. Gilbert, conductor; Ava McCully, daughter Frank McCully, coach cleaner.

(Middle row) Bernetta Cox, daughter Loyd Cox, fireman; Cleamon Stewart, son R. H. Stewart, storeroom helper; Ruth Dinan, daughter W. H. Dinan, yard oiler; Herbert Warren, son Wm. Warren, machinist; Marcelle Marshall, daughter David Marshall, switchman; Bobby Frossard, son of

the late Theodore Frossard, engineer; Virginia McClanahan, daughter Max McClanahan; Mike Bentley, son Mont Bentley, engineer.

(Top row) George Counts, son J. A. Counts, engineer; Ethel Metcalf, daughter E. J. Metcalf, car repairer; Zack Ebner, son George Ebner, fireman; Alice Glaze and Awdal Glaze, children of Jack Glaze, cellar packer; Pauline Johnson, daughter Z. B. Johnson, brakeman; Ralph Hull, son T. T. Hull, car repairer, and Dorothy Davidson, daughter C. F. Davidson, foreman of inspectors.

Credit for this photograph is given to Dorothy Davidson and Linzey Lloyd, of Monett, upon whose request it was made.

## AGENCY CHANGES

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8, Hunter, Okla.; Robert E. Layman, April 11, Grandin, Mo.; Julius A. Robinson, April 10, Popular Bluff, Mo.; Earl T. Metz, April 13, Pomona, Mo.; Ralph E. Cole, April 14, Lucien, Okla.; Ed S. Renfro, April 17, Tidal, Okla.; James E. Wimberley, April 18, Conran, Mo.; Carl L. Davidson, April 20, Mounds, Okla.; Charles M. Neal, April 22, Eldorado, Okla.; Homer J. Houghland, April 24, Garnett, Okla.; James E. Sandlin, April 24, Cameron, Okla.

## FUEL NOTES

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suggestions to superintendent, master mechanic or Robert Collett, fuel agent, St. Louis. If you do not know the exact date of the meeting on the

## FRISCO DAUGHTER HONORED

Mildred Stucke, whose picture accompanies this story, was signally honored this year in being crowned Queen of the Springfield, Mo., Pipkin Junior High School Festival. She is the first student ever chosen for that honor from the seventh grade student body.

MILDRED STUCKE

Miss Mildred is the thirteen-year-old daughter of W. E. Stucke, dead work foreman at the Springfield, Mo., roundhouse, and Mrs. Stucke.



## PIONEER WOMAN TELEGRAPHER

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her eggs and placing them therein for the required time, she got two chickens out of about 50 eggs. She wrote the firm which sold her the incubator and told them that it was no good, and they told her to try it again. This she did, with resultant good luck.

About twenty years ago, or in 1913, the Hull's moved to Wichita. She remembers Wichita as a tiny village—there were few paved streets and sidewalks. She has watched the big buildings replace the little wooden structures; she has watched the street cars and automobiles take the place of the horse and buggy, and she has watched Wichita's residential section grow to a city of beautiful homes, for Mr. Hull was in the real estate business when they first came to that city.

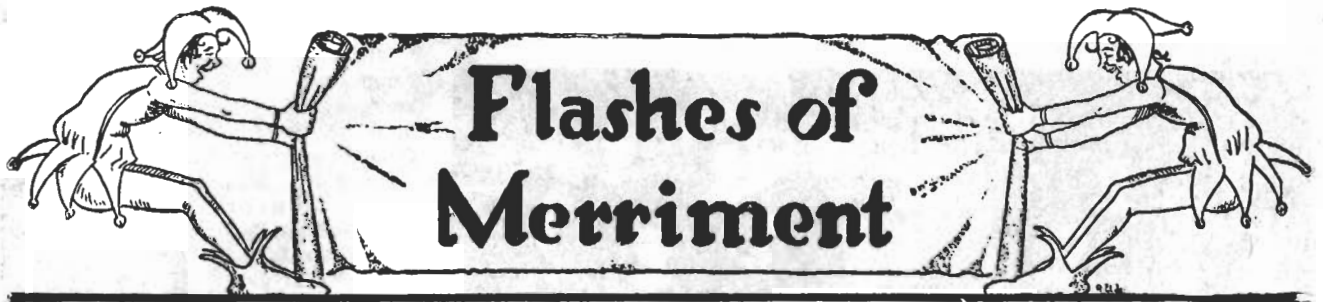
Today they reside at 210 Cleveland Avenue, and although Mr. Hull has no connection with the Frisco Railroad, she takes a great delight in reading of its accomplishments through the pages of the *Magazine*. The old railroad days are not forgotten, for she says she runs her household on railroad schedule and everything has to be "on time".

The Hull's have one daughter, Mrs. Marie Trustman of Denver, Colo., who is an expression teacher, and her husband a cello player, and they often broadcast over station KOA at Denver. They have one daughter, Patsy, age five, to whom the stories of her grandmother's railroading days are always new and exciting.

## MORE JUNE GRADUATES

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Okla., Stillwater, Okla., High; Charles Clinton Leverett, 18, son J. M. Leverett, section foreman, Pickensville, Ala., Smithville, Miss., High; Bill Murney, 16, son W. B. Murney, roundhouse foreman, Springfield, Christian Brothers High, St. Louis; Harold McKee, 16, son J. C. McKee, Kansas City, Argentine High, Kansas City; Oma, 18, and Victor M., 23, children of V. Huddleston, engineer, Thayer, graduate Thayer High and Fayette, Mo., Central College, respectively; Lucian C. Haney and Ruth Haney, children of L. Haney, operator, Festus, Mo., Festus High.



#### A Sad Mistake

"I just congratulated Dr. Brown on marrying one of his patients, and he seemed quite annoyed."

"That isn't Dr. Brown, you idiot. That's Dr. Smith the lunatic specialist."

#### YES, MUCH BETTER

"Son, when I was a boy, I was glad to get dry bread to eat."

"Well, Dad, you're much better off, now that you're living with us, aren't you?"

#### LET ME OUT!

*Nervous Passenger:* "Don't drive so fast around the corners. It makes me frightened."

*Chauffeur:* "You don't want to get scared. Do what I do—shut your eyes when we come to corners."

#### That's Too Bad

"Drink," said the Irish preacher, "is the greatest curse of the country. It makes ye quarrel with yer neighbors. It makes ye shoot at yer landlord. And it makes ye miss him."

#### A TRACK RECORD

"Your boy must be a phenomenally fast runner. I noticed in the morning paper that he burned up the track with his speed. I suppose you saw him do it?"

"No," said the athlete's mother, "but I saw the track this morning, and there was nothing but cinders there."

#### ALL FREE

"Salvation is free," said the colored preacher, "free as de water we drink. Of course," he added, "when we pipes it to you, you has to pay fo' de piping."

#### FOR THE UNINFORMED

Lecturer (in small town): "Of course, you all know what the inside of a corpuscle is like."

Chairman: "Most of us do, but ye better explain for the benefit of them as have never been inside one."

#### An Ad—Answer

**FOUND**—Roll of five dollar bills. Will owner please form a line at corner of Ninth and Olive?

#### POLICE!

*Senior Partner:* "Have you seen the cashier this morning?"

*Office Boy:* "Yes, sir. He came in here without his mustache and borrowed a timetable."

#### OUT OF TURN

A Scotchman, on a visit to a friend in London, outstayed his welcome. His host thought a hint might have the desired results, and so he said: "Don't you think that your wife and family will want you to be with them?"

"Mon," replied the Scotchman, "I believe you're right. It's rale thoctfu' o' you. I'll just send for them."

#### Wrong Applicant

The minister advertised for a man servant in the local paper, and the next morning a nicely dressed young man rang the bell.

"Can you start the fire and get breakfast by seven o'clock?" asked the minister.

"I guess so," answered the young man.

"Well," continued the minister, "can you polish all the silver, wash the dishes and keep the house neat and tidy?"

"Say, parson," said the young man. "I came here to see about getting married—but, if it's going to be as much work as all that, you can count me out right now."

#### WOMAN-LIKE!

Cop: "Don't you know you can't turn around in the middle of the block?"

The "Mrs.": "Oh, I think I can make it, thank you so much."

#### SATISFACTION

A mild old gentleman reached the depot just as the train was pulling out. He ran down the track after it, and he and the train disappeared around a curve. Ten minutes later he came walking back.

"Didn't catch her, did you, pop?" asked the station agent.

"No, I didn't, but I made her puff, by crackie!"

#### Saving Time

"Shall I have your lunch brought up to the deck, sweetheart?"

"No, darling, just throw it overboard—it'll save time and trouble."

#### DENSE, HUH?

Politician: "I am exceedingly pleased to see such a dense crowd gathered here tonight."

Voice: "Don't be too pleased, we ain't all dense."

#### A BUDGET?

*Mrs. Silverstein:* "Do you know that Abe keeps a budget?"

*Mrs. Kratz:* "For shame! And he's got such a nice wife, too."

#### Easy

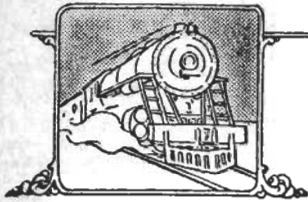
"How do you make a peach cordial?"

"Easy—send her some candy."

#### AN APOLOGY

Dr. Erskine McNamara, a Chiropractor of Birmingham, Ala., calls our attention to the fact that an item on the "Merriment" page of The Frisco Employees' Magazine for May, 1933, might be considered as a reflection on the membership of his worthy profession. Therefore, we wish to offer our most profound apology for the publication of the item, and to assure him, and others, that it was not intended, in any way, to be a personal reflection on the members of the profession.





# The FRISCO MECHANIC

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## LOCAL No. 19-B (Colored) MEMPHIS, TENN.

ALVIS H. THOMAS, Reporter

We wish to state through this column, that the members of the above local are 100% Frisco Boosters, and are pledging themselves to assist in keeping down all accidents, and give to the supervisors, their fullest co-operation.

Our sympathy is extended to John Wesley, coach yarder, who recently lost his wife.

We are glad to have back with us our friend and brother, Will Stevenson, who recently underwent a major operation.

Ed Brown, our local engine wiper, was recently married to Miss Marguerite Cummings. Many happy returns of the day to both.

Under the efficient guidance of our president, Earl Wade, our local lodge is being whipped into 100% shape and standing. He is ably assisted by the timely advice and counsel of H. L. King and Arthur Davis.

Yours truly, the reporter, is planning on staging an elimination auto race between Zeke Erwin and Judge Kinsely. Both cars used are model T Fords of the ante-bellum type. Each is hitting on all four and all three cylinders, most of the time just two cylinders are hitting. This will be the gala event of the year, as each car has a neck-breaking speed of 3 1/4 miles per hour.

## LOCAL No. 19—MEMPHIS, TENN.

P. W. LANDERS, Reporter

S. M. Ferguson, back shop foreman, was called to Kerrysville, Texas, account of illness of his father. He is now on the way to recovery.

We wish to extend our sympathy to C. L. Holmes, night roundhouse foreman, account of the death of his mother, who died in Shreveport, La.

We are glad to report that the mother of Bill and Jake Hope, who has been seriously ill, is greatly improved.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Wall and daughter, Betty Jane, spent several days in Tulsa, Okla., with relatives.

We are glad to see that Mrs. J. L. Glass is home again, after having undergone a major operation.

Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Landers, spent several days in Tulsa, Okla., with relatives.

Dutch Simonson, tank man, has returned home after spending several weeks in the St. Louis hospital.

Johnnie Haley, boilermaker, and his bride, spent several days in Springfield, Mo., with Mrs. Haley's relatives.

## JEFFERSON AVE. COACH YARDS ST. LOUIS, MO.

JOHN W. HOLDREN, Reporter

Earl Montee is back to work, after spending ten days in the hospital last month.

Tom Doyle and family spent a couple of days in Springfield, Mo.

William I. Derrick and wife made a brief visit to Memphis, their home town.

Pickler Jones went on a big fishing trip Sunday morning; returned Sunday evening with some big fish, and some fish tales.

Mrs. Floyd Earnhart and children spent several days in Springfield the first of the month with relatives.

Claude Nolan and family visited friends in the Flat River country.

Clarence Smith and wife visited relatives in Rogersville the first of the month.

The boys of Local No. 5, at Jefferson Avenue, called a business meeting, May 11, at 12:15 p. m. Otho Harvey, our committeeman, and several others made interesting talks.

Otho Harvey visited in Springfield for a couple of days.

## JOPLIN, MO.

ROGER FLETCHER, Reporter

Lloyd Lackey paid a visit to his mother at Booneville, Ark., the middle of April. On the trip he ran into an April snowstorm, encountering eight inches of snow.

George L. Seanor, general foreman, and his daughter, Clara, spent a few days in Kansas City on business.

Mrs. Tanquary and her five-year-old daughter were struck by an auto near their home on the night of April 18, and both were fatally injured. Mr. Tanquary was a former clerk at the yard office, but has been cut off for several months. His wife and daughter had just gotten off a bus and were on their way home, walking on the left side of South Main Street, when they were struck. They were only a few feet from where they would leave the highway to go to their home. Our deepest sympathy is extended to "Tan".

Roy Barcus, formerly of Pittsburg, has bumped on the cashier's job at the freight house, displacing Mr. Dike, who, in turn, is displacing "Chief" C. N. Gearheart at the yardmaster's office.

Graduation time is here again. This year there are six Frisco children graduating from high schools and one from college.

Miss Dimps Ena Southard, daughter of Dempsey Southard, special officer, graduates from the Joplin High School. She is a member of the Castalian Literary Society, the Fencing Club, the Girl Reserves and the Orchestra. She is also reporter for the Fencing Club.

Mae Erickson, age 13, daughter of Albert Erickson, hostler, graduates from the Webb City High School. She is a member of the four-year honor roll.

Lillian Elizabeth Sims, age 17 years, daughter of C. K. Sims, assistant superintendent of the Northern division, is a member of the Olympiad Literary Society, the Orchestra, the Girls' Glee Club and the Mixed Chorus. She also attended the music contests held at Pittsburg, Kans., recently, as an accompanist for contestants.

David A. Hubbard, Jr., son of D. A. Hubbard, machinist, graduates from the Joplin High School. He is a member of the Gavel and Quill Literary Society.

Fred James Strum, 18 years old, son of W. L. Strum, machinist, graduates from the Joplin High School. He excels in furniture making and turning, and has made a number of splendid pieces of furniture for his home.

Clare Fletcher, 17 years old, son of Roger C. Fletcher, machinist, graduates from the Joplin High School. He is a member of the Band, the Boys' Glee Club, the Mixed Chorus, the Boys' Quartet, the Football Team, the Rifle Team, the L. C. F. Literary Society, the A. O. A. an honorary scientific club, and the

Joplimo Staff. He is also a captain in the R. O. T. C.

Clyde Maxton, 22 years old, son of W. H. Maxton, yardmaster, graduates from the National Farm School of Philadelphia, Pa.

## LOCAL No. 32—NEWBURG, MO.

E. F. FULLER, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hill and daughter, Gale, have been visiting friends in Wright City, Mo.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer L. Dillon, of Springfield, were visitors in Newburg one week-end not so long ago.

The "back to the farm" movement hit here in a big way. Mr. Sam Montgomery and W. F. Macormic are quite busy, after working hours, putting in their corn crop.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Ward were Springfield shoppers recently.

Miss Fern Staggs, who is teaching in Iowa, returned home for a short visit last month.

Orville Fite, of Springfield, spent Easter Sunday with his parents here in Newburg.

Mrs. J. Finley and daughter and son, of Sleeper, were Newburg visitors recently.

We're much relieved and happy that H. W. Fuller is back to work, after a week or ten days suffering with an infected tooth.

That very proud young man you see about town these days, in that new Chevrolet coach, is none other than "Hap" Painter.

## NORTH SIDE SIDELIGHTS

EMERY HAGUEWOOD, Reporter

The month just past marked the closing of the career of one of Southwest Missouri's oldest, best known and most beloved characters—"Aunt Katie" Kentling, who was the subject of a feature article in this magazine several months ago. She died April 20th. Few people, indeed, are born to a life as full of adventure as was "Aunt Katie". Born in Austria, nearly ninety-seven years ago, while still a small child she was moved to Vienna by her parents, where she grew into womanhood and met and married Prince Hiedie, who was Bandmaster to Maximilian the Third (who was proclaimed Emperor of Mexico), and set out with that ill-fated expedition to set up a government in a new world. The grim tragedy of that undertaking, and the death of Maximilian before a firing squad, is history, too well known to repeat here, and "Aunt Katie" and her husband were allowed to escape to the United States and made their way to St. Louis, Mo., where Prince Hiedie soon died. It was there that Frank Kentling, a pioneer trader and merchant of Highlandville, Mo., met her while on one of his trips, by wagon, to secure goods for his store. Their acquaintance soon grew into love, and she and Mr. Kentling were married and reared a large family, and prospered in their business. One of their granddaughters is Mrs. Roma Holmes, wife of W. W. Holmes, a machinist in the roundhouse here. "Aunt Katie" was, undoubtedly the last survivor of the large party that set out on the mission, which, had it been successful, would have changed the map of Central America.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Whitehead had an experience several nights ago that they will not soon forget. Answering a knock at their door, they were confronted by two armed men, who ordered them to keep quiet, and started to search the house. Mr. Whitehead attacked one of them and was getting the best of him when his pal went to his assistance. Mrs. Whitehead seized the opportunity to secure Mr. Whitehead's revolver, which she fired, frightening the bandits so much they gave up their attempt and ran to their car, which was parked nearby, and made good their escape. Mr. Whitehead is a machinist on the day shift.

Thomas Clark, laborer, is spending several days in Des Moines, Iowa, where he is visiting a brother.

John Faulkner, cellar packer, has returned from a visit of several days with his father, who lives at Fredonia, Kans.

Frank Springer, staybolt inspector, is sporting a brand-new Nash sedan, which he bought during the past month.

Orville Bennett is mourning the death of his father, which occurred at the family home here during the past month. Mr. Bennett, who is an electrician, has the sympathy of the roundhouse force.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Schellhardt also have the sincere sympathy of the roundhouse employes in the death of their three-weeks-old daughter, Jean. Mr. Schellhardt is a machinist on the third shift.

Peggy, the five-year-old daughter of Ray Rader, extra machinist, has been quite sick recently with pneumonia fever, but at this time seems to have recovered nicely.

There were several of the roundhouse employes at the Frisco Men's Club Banquet, which was given at the Country Club, April 24. They all report having a good time.

William Stucki, deadwork foreman, was the victim of house thieves, who ransacked his home on West Nichols Street, during the absence of the family, May 13. The thief, or thieves, who have not been caught, made a lucky haul, securing \$380.00 in money. Nothing else was taken.

## LOCAL No. 1—SPRINGFIELD, MO.

J. F. WASSON, Reporter

Mrs. Charles Beck, daughter, Ruth, and son, Trevor, visited in St. Louis May 14 and 15.

James Adams, blacksmith foreman at the reclamation plant, has bought a new Dodge sedan.

Lewis Stapp sustained a broken leg and minor cuts and bruises when his car overturned west of Springfield. He is very much improved at this writing. Lewis is the son of Charles Stapp, blacksmith at the reclamation plant.

We extend our sympathy to the family of William Nobles, in his death. Mr. Nobles was watchman at the reclamation plant until his retirement three years ago.

While out driving May 6, Fred Murphy's car collided with a truck. Mrs. Murphy received severe cuts and bruises.

Guy Haymes has traded for a Chevrolet coach.

## BACK SHOP NEWS

ALEX WATT and CLAUD CAMPBELL, Reporters

The meeting of Local No. 1, of April 17, was one of the largest and best meetings we have held for some time. It was because members of the Ladies' Auxiliary gave an egg supper. Did we have eggs? All colors and sizes.

M. A. Huff, boilermaker helper, was called to Oklahoma City April 20. His farm was struck by a cyclone, destroying two of his barns and his house. Huff said that all was covered by insurance.

L. R. Roach, of the equipment department, has just returned from Potts Camp, Miss., where he visited his father, who is very ill.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Cozar are the proud parents of a fine eight-pound boy, born April 27. The young man has been named Chester.

We are very sorry to report the death of the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Schallhardt, also Orville Bennett's father, since our last report. Mr. Schallhardt and Mr. Bennett are from the roundhouse.

The stork visited Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Cordin, May 7, leaving them an eight and one-half pound boy. They have named him Elmer Max.

A sad accident happened May 1, in the north car yards, Otis Joseph Cogdill, carman, was instantly killed in the yards where he was working. Cogdill was a member of Local No. 1. Several of the north side carmen attended the funeral, which was held May 3 at Hartville, Mo. We extend our deepest sympathy to the bereaved family.

Several of the shopmen are buying new cars or exchanging. The following men have purchased cars: John Highfill, a new Dodge; Hiram Brown, a new Dodge; George Wright, a 1933 Chevrolet; Levi Newkirk, a Chevrolet, and your scribe has shown the first signs of dotage by buying a Chevrolet.

Barney Henderson is in a critical condition, following a collapse May 11, due to an infected lung.

Hiram Brown and Company have voted to re-invest all their earnings from their oil lease for redevelopment purposes, and feel sure that by the first of January, 1934, will see the properties more than double in value. They are now shipping about three carloads of oil per week.

The stationary engineers are all smiles since their place of business has undergone a complete job of repair and decoration. If they appreciate the decoration as much as we do the new roof over the sheet metal shop, the smiles are timely.

## WEST TULSA, OKLA. LOCAL No. 17

H. C. PRICE, Reporter

Miss Ruth Harrison, daughter of Engineer Harrison, has returned after sixty days spent in Phoenix, Arizona.

Joe Charron, machinist, spent one week in Gentry, Ark.

J. J. Rheurak, engineer, has returned to work after a three months' lay-off, due to personal injury.

A. D. (Casey) Jones, fireman, has a new sport model Chevrolet.

Rube Desmukes has returned to work after a lay-off due to illness.

Engineers Jap and Jim Cheek and Fireman Frank Howerton are spending a few days in Arkansas on a fishing trip. "Ruby" Emerson, machinist, is in the St. Louis hospital.

Kenneth Guinney, machinist helper, spent a few days in Monett, visiting friends, recently.

Miss Barbara Peemster, of Gentry, Ark., is the house guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Charron, day roundhouse foreman, and wife.

Frank McDonald, machinist, is wearing a big smile—reason for same, a big, ten-pound baby boy. Congratulations, Mr. and Mrs. McDonald.

We wish to extend our sympathy to Engineer John Moore and family, in their hour of bereavement, in the loss of Mr. Moore's mother.

Engineer Peter Geraghty, who has been pensioned for some time, is very sick at this writing. We all join in wishing him a speedy recovery.

Engineer P. J. Heyburn was called home recently, account illness of his wife. We are glad to report that Mrs. Heyburn has recovered and Mr. Heyburn is back on the job.

Engineer A. Disney has taken a sixty-day leave of absence, account illness.

## LOCAL No. 2 WEST LOCOMOTIVE SHOPS SPRINGFIELD, MO.

VIRGIL B. SMITH, Reporter

Local No. 2 has voted to send J. J. Prugger, as divisional chairman, to the Independent Railroad Shopcraft Association, to be held at San Francisco, June 5 and 6. Mr. Prugger and Mr. Burgess will leave May 31.

Earl Genung, machinist, is the proud owner of seven bird dog pups. He says they are about the best English setters in the country.

Here is a record for the apprentice boys on the road to shoot at: Ed. Merritt, boilermaker apprentice, who did the welding on Engine 4016, welded 560 flexible radial sleeves, welded door sheet seam, welded a set of siphons, and there wasn't a leak on the whole job. We think this is a record!

Harry Hall and Carl Bergstrom and wives are planning on making a trip with the Frisco Veterans to Pensacola, Florida, May 22.

Mr. Schramm, welder at West Shops, has gone in the fishing worm business. For bigger and better fishing worms, see Schramm!

I. G. Holt, machinist, is the proud owner of a new Chevrolet.

Nels Benson, carpenter, is building a motorboat 18 feet long and 5 feet wide, and is expecting to have a good time on the lake this summer.

Alfred Elkins, machinist, was fishing Sunday, April 31, at Osceola. Reports fairly good luck, caught 23 drum, 7 carp and 2 buffalo. Pretty fair fishin'!

## MECHANICAL DEPARTMENT OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLA.

FRANCIS N. JONES, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Leister have returned from a several days' fishing trip in the Kiamichi Mountains. Plenty of big ones.

Ivan Read is sporting around in a new Chevrolet coupe.

Fishing is all the talk now, and all you hear during noon hour is about the big one that got away.

Some of the most ardent fishermen, who go often, are the Rue brothers, Lewis and St. Bill Melvin, Harry Cummins and Lee Harder.

The horseshoe pitching team is looking for strange worlds to conquer, and any point having teams wishing games may get in touch with Jim Morton, care of Car Foreman, Oklahoma City.

Dence Howard visited relatives in Francis, Okla., the early part of April.

W. P. Myers visited with his mother in Sapulpa on Sunday, May 14.

Now that the weather is nice, there is no excuse for members not attending Local meetings. We should like to have a large attendance at our first meeting in June, so come out and find out what's going on.

Also the monthly meeting and dance of the Frisco Employes' Club should have more of a representation from the shops and car department. Come on, fellows, this is your railroad! Boost it!

## LOCAL No. 5—ST. LOUIS, MO.

E. R. McNABB and F. C. HENN, Reporters

At the regular meeting of Local No. 5, held May 5, the hospital committee reported that no member of the F. A. C. M. & C. D. E. was confined there. It was unanimously voted that we send Brother Reed as a delegate to the meeting of the Independent Organization of Western Railroads, held in San Francisco the first of May.

Carl Myrick was called to Jonesboro, Ark., May 8, on account of the serious illness of his sister, Mrs. E. Foster, who was in the hospital there with a serious case of blood poisoning. She is much better, and Mr. Myrick has returned to work.