

LOCAL 17B—WEST TULSA, OKLA.

ROBERT MORELAND, Reporter

The members of Local 17B have started this year off in a big way. We have pledged ourselves to support the activities of the local 100 per cent at all times. We seem to be off to a record ending at the finish of this year. We are sure that all concerned will do his part in helping to obtain this goal.

Chas. Crapps is on the job again after being off several weeks because of the death of his nephew, Joseph Wilson. While away he had a chance to meet many of his old acquaintances. He reports that the relationship of the old home place will always bring memories of the past no matter how long it has been since he was there. "It is just good to be back home," he says.

Members of Local 17B are sorry to learn that Rev. A. B. Smith has suffered the loss of his mother through death. We extend our sympathy to the family through their hours of sorrow.

Earl Harding, the youngest among us, has been placed on a regular job as hostler helper. We trust that through his service he will prove his worthiness as a true member of the Frisco family.

We are all fellow workmen, let's show our other relatives of the Frisco that we actually mean business. Our slogan from now on will be "We do not try to equal, but to excel".

**WATER SERVICE DEPARTMENT
SPRINGFIELD, MO.**

CLAUDE HEREFORD, Reporter

The small son and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mathew Rouse, who have been suffering from a peculiar blood ailment, are reported as improving. We are glad to hear this, as the children have been ill for nearly two years and have borne their sufferings with the greatest fortitude.

Albert England is sporting a new Plymouth "See Dan".

The blower line in the north side roundhouse has been given a thorough going over and covered with metal covering and painted, which gives it an "up town" appearance.

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

JOHN HOLDREN, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. John Sparling of Springfield were guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sammie Umphries, Sunday. Mr. Sparling paid the boys at the yard a short visit. Glad to see you John, only visit us more often.

Elmer Ross was off about 10 days account illness.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Ben McNabb, February 22nd, at Springfield, a daughter who has been named Ruth Eleanor. Congratulations!

Otho Harvey visited his wife the past week-end in Springfield.

Elson "Shorty" Barnard is now driving a V-8. It is a Victoria coupe.

We extend our deepest sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Theo. J. Hagen in the death of Mrs. Hagen's father. Also to Mr. and Mrs. L. I. Wilhite and family in the death of their grandmother.

**RECLAMATION PLANT
SPRINGFIELD, MO.**

T. O. CHAPMAN, Reporter

Louis A. Cordz, has been sent to the Frisco hospital in St. Louis by the Springfield Frisco physicians. We hope his visit to St. Louis will be a pleasant one, and his treatment and recovery sure and successful.

William Dooley was somewhat disturbed one morning recently when he saw the roof of his residence on fire. It did not burn very rapidly, however, and the city fire department soon extinguished the blaze when they arrived at the scene.

W. A. Mattox has returned to work after recuperating for some weeks from his operation, and seems to be taking a new lease on the life of a machinist again. We are glad to have him on the job again and hope his health will remain excellent.

Mark Mercer, our general all purpose utilities man, has taken up the duties of relief engineer, while Mr. Smith has been forced to be off of his job.

Felix Webb was called to Winfield, Alabama, this month, to be with his foster father during his last illness and death. Although not his paternal father, Mr. Webb held the greatest respect and admiration for him that a man could bestow upon his own parent. Our sympathy is extended to the bereaved.

Fred Nicholson has moved up on "top of the hill" on New Ave., presumably to escape the danger of high water of the Jordan River, which puts us all into rubber boots and other means of protection about twice each year. We are of the opinion he will have a much better garden plot, and several other desirable features of his new home, which should give himself and Mrs. Nicholson a continued bright outlook upon life.

Clarence Stewart, carpenter, who owns a large farm near Ash Grove, estimates that the March record breaking rain of five inches damaged his land to the amount of his pay checks from the Frisco for the past winter. We are pleased to see the spring season starting out with adequate moisture, especially when we let our memory roam back to last year's drouth, but are sorry to learn of so much damage by flood water. The old adage, "when it rains it pours", seems to still hold good, for there is not any "Code" to control the weather.

**B. & B. DEPARTMENT
SPRINGFIELD, MO.**

ARTHUR BUNCH, Reporter

We wish to extend sympathy to Mrs. James Blan and family in the death of her husband, James T. Blan, who died February 25th of pneumonia fever. Mr. Blan was a B. & B. concrete mason and was off duty at the time of his death. His home was in Springfield, Missouri.

Bill Wadlow, B. & B. painter, made a trip to Liberty, Missouri, to see his father who is very ill, but reports that he is a little better at this time.

The B. & B. department wish to extend sympathy to Mr. J. H. Weed, roadmaster on the High Line, in the death of his wife, March 4th, at her home in Springfield, Missouri.

Charles Wallace and gang have been doing some general repairing of buildings in Monett, Missouri, and vicinity.

Jim Carter and gang are repairing bridges near Ash Grove and vicinity.

Ebb Nease and gang are rebuilding bridges near Wishart, Mo.

LOCAL No. 19-B—MEMPHIS, TENN.

ALVIS H. THOMAS, Reporter

Frank Nevells, third class boiler-maker on nights, lost his mother, who had been ill for some time. She lived in Amory, Mississippi. As in all cases of this nature, we, the shopmen tendered our sympathy with a floral design.

Mrs. Sarah Beatty, wife of Arthur Beatty, third class machinist, was called to the bedside of her niece, who is critically ill in a hospital in Detroit, Mich.

The Grim Reaper, Death, has again invaded our ranks and taken as its toll, Mott Roberts, formerly a third class machinist, who died last month from pneumonia. Our sympathy is extended to the family.

John Denton, car department porter, had a dual celebration at his home last month. He celebrated his 50th birth date, and by trick of fate it was also his aged mother's birth date. She was 92 years of age. They both were honored by quite a number of relatives and friends. Congratulations to them both and wishes for many more.

Ollie Wesley, second class machinist, met with a serious accident while putting up a binder on Eng. 4212 on drop-pit. Was very sorry to learn of his predicament.

Practice what you preach is an adage of old,
And as good a one as has ever been told.
Accidents, injuries and many things worse,
You can avoid by practicing SAFETY FIRST.

LOCAL No. 5—ST. LOUIS, MO.

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

Local No. 5 had a smoker last meeting and a good time was had by all. The members and officers are very proud of the excellent hospital reports that have been made by the hospital visiting committees. Good work boys, keep it up!

Our deepest sympathy is extended to Marvin Lutes, boilermaker, on account of the death of his mother.

Chas. Turner, electrician, reports that he is having a lot of sickness with most of the family are down with the "flu".

Kathleen McNabb, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. R. McNabb, has been confined to the Barnes Hospital recently.

W. J. Pickie, general foreman, is driving a new Dodge sedan. Our famous Nimrod "Rags" John Monroe Jenkins, Jr., motored out to dry forks creek over the week-end to satisfy his first attack of spring fishing fever and from all reports came back with his basket empty.

Max Hosand, former airman here, accepted the air brake foreman job at the West Shops, Springfield. We hate to lose him from Lindenwood, but our loss will be Springfield's gain. Success to you, Max.

Chas. Turner has a fine looking Dodge sedan. Bud Jacquin is driving the Plymouth formerly owned by Chas. Turner.

Roy White, Andy Brayfield, John Baraglia and Coy Barnett have all been sick or confined to the hospital since the last writing.

LOCAL No. 8—ENID, OKLA.

FRANK HARKEY, Reporter

John McCrite, one of the men who

was in the layoff the latter part of February, came back to work the 1st of March with a big smile on his face. We asked him what the smile was for and he said, "Well, boys, a new baby boy arrived at our house February 21, 1935, weighing five pounds." The little fellow's name is Fred.

D. W. Lilley, car inspector, is sporting a new Ford V-8 coupe. Watch him speed by.

Mrs. Homer Morris is improving rapidly now from an operation. We wish her much speed in recovering completely.

Walter Poe and wife have been on quite a tour of St. Louis, Mo., Louisville, Ky., and visited his parents in Milltown, Ind. They report a fine trip. Also, a good time.

The new Ford V-8s are getting quite popular here at the shops. Harry Jarvis is sporting a new coupe.

T. H. Elam spent a few days in Clinton, Okla., and reported the sand storm as being plenty tough while he was there.

C. P. Clark motored down in New Mexico to his ranch. He, also, was caught in a bad dust storm and blizzard.

R. D. Richards was called to Wichita, Kans., the past month on urgent business.

The Enid shop is getting to be quite a zoo. Here a few years ago one of the men caught an alligator. About a week ago the catch was a gopher. March 14 the catch was a prairie dog. Some of the smaller catches consist of canary birds, snakes, sparrows, rats, mice, cats, dogs, horned toads, rabbits, terrapins, etc. Others consist of roaches, owls and hawks.

LOCAL No. 19—MEMPHIS, TENN.

C. H. FULLER, Reporter

Walter E. Dold and family visited his mother and other relatives in Morrillton, Ark., and report a very enjoyable trip.

We are very glad to have Uncle Tom Fauver back with us after having been on the sick list for six or eight months.

Paul Pape and Leslie A. Gilbert spent a few days in the hospital at St. Louis but are now back at work.

Our car foreman, J. C. Lutz, was unfortunate enough to have a wreck with his car on the evening of March 4 going home from work, and we are all glad to know he was not seriously hurt.

Seems as if Cupid is doing quite a bit of work in our midst. Congratulations are now in order for J. T. Fuller and the former Miss Eloise Snellings, who were married at Marion, Ark., on March 13. We wish for them a long life of happiness together.

Among those confined to the St. Louis hospital are M. O. Nelson and Homer Ball. Certainly hope they will be well and strong again soon.

We're happy to welcome back M. Poppenheimer, T. C. Shaw and C. R. Goodyear, who were ill.

Henry Threlfall and wife were called to Amory on account of the illness of Mr. Threlfall's mother. Sincerely hope she is well on the road to recovery by this time.

Don't know whether A. L. Williams got homesick for the old home town or not, but he made a trip to Birmingham on March 16.

J. M. Haley, wife and daughter are visiting Mrs. Haley's mother and sisters in Springfield while he is recovering from a recent operation.

Sorry to learn that Mrs. Otto Kettmann has been ill and we wish for her the speediest recovery ever.

MECHANICAL DEPARTMENT THAYER, MO.

F. M. PEEBLES, Reporter

Regret to announce the death of James Thomas, fireman, who died February 16 after a lingering illness and who was laid to rest February 18. Funeral services from his residence, the Masons taking charge and conducted remains to the cemetery where they were met by members of the Knight Templars. After the Masonic rites an arch of steel was formed over the grave by the Knight Templars while the last rites were pronounced by the officiating minister, P. O. Freeman.

Miss Lee Thomas, daughter of David Thomas, conductor, is now at home after attending Drury College at Springfield.

George Barbee, who has been working out of Jonesboro and Memphis for a number of years, is now working out of here.

Mrs. E. E. McGulre, wife of superintendent of terminals, of Springfield is now visiting her daughter, Mrs. Raymond Arnold.

Harry K. Bates, son of E. F. Bates, engineer, is now visiting in New Orleans.

ROSEDALE TRAIN YARDS ROSEDALE, KAN.

LEE WARFORD, Reporter

Earl Leonard, yard clerk at Rosedale, was off four days visiting friends and relatives near Clay Center, Kans.

Frank Warner, inspector in the 19th Street yard is now working days in Bert Mays' place.

Grady Segler has a regular job inspecting cars at Rosedale in Louis Burk's place. Louis Burk is in the 19th Street yards in Frank Warner's place.

Roy Watts, inspector at Rosedale, spent two days visiting his mother in Joplin, Mo.

Lee Warford spent three days in court recently. This is about the hardest job there is, waiting to be called on the witness stand.

Wm. Bacus, inspector at Rosedale, is moving out to the edge of town.

March weather came in true to form, windy and warm. The temperature March 14 was 80 degrees, the highest in the history.

This is the time of the year when we begin to think about putting up the screens and painting the house and cleaning the yard. We also are seriously thinking of fishing, too.

There seems to be quite a wager going on lately. Clay Woodward, Raymond Bengston and Clifford Hackleman have agreed to forfeit five dollars to the other two if he or they are caught smoking or chewing tobacco between the hours of 2 and 10 p. m.

Roy Watts' son Whitney was playing in a swing at school and fell out and broke his arm. He is recovering nicely at this writing.

"Red" Welch, switchman, made a three-week vacation trip to California visiting friends and relatives. Red missed out on all the sleet storms in Kansas City the month of January.

SOUTH TRAIN YARDS SPRINGFIELD, MO.

JESSE L. BRANDON, Reporter

Mrs. Arch Umphries, who underwent an operation at the Burge hospital is getting along nicely at this writing.

H. A. Dale and family will spend the week-end of March 30 with Mrs.

Dale's sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Boyajian, of St. Louis.

E. E. McCauley is driving a new Rockne car. He laid off one day to break it in and drove to Nixa and back via Ozark.

Mrs. Nick Quisenberry, who has been sick for several weeks, shows some improvement at this time.

By all indications D. B. Barclay will soon be sporting a new Dodge car.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Hay have returned from a month's visit with their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Berry, of Long Beach, Calif.

Mrs. C. E. Anderson, wife of chief bill clerk, will leave shortly for Waterloo, Iowa, to visit her son, Gus L. Anderson, who is in the dental laboratory business.

Mrs. George Wiley and daughter are making a visit in St. Louis with her parents.

J. A. Durbin, retired Santa Fe station agent, visited at the home of Homer Smith last week. Mr. Durbin is a pioneer railroad man, having worked for the Frisco when it was building into Springfield. He drove an ox team on the grade from Conway to Neosho. Mr. Durbin now lives at Frisco, Okla. and is 83 years of age.

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

VIRGIL B. SMITH and
FRED M. WILSON, Reporters

All previous records of attendance were broken at the regular meeting of this local, held March 6. About 300 members were present. Members from the locomotive department voted, unanimously, to adopt the five-day week rather than reduce the force.

Sincere sympathy is extended to Fred Raugh, shop draftsman, in the recent death of his father, Peter Raugh, of Billings, Mo.

Geo. B. Tipton, boilermaker, Hubert H. Moore, welder, and Ed H. Wyatt, boilermaker, have returned to work after having been off a long time account reduction in force.

Carpenter apprentice, Matthew A. Schmidlein recently returned from an extensive tour of the West Coast and from what he says we judge he covered that section of the country pretty thoroughly.

Lawrence M. Allison and Isaac L. Brown, machinist apprentices, north shops, are employed here temporarily.

A large number of members of this local attended the party and dance held by the Order of Benefit Association of Railway Employees at the "Ontra," March 1.

Max Hosang, formerly of St. Louis, has recently been appointed air brake foreman here.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Chapman announce the birth of a son March 10.

Ed Grundburg earned that new nickname, "Steeple-jack," because of his activities atop the finishing shop during a recent fire drill, evidently forgetting the old Chinese proverb, "All that goes up must come down."

Eli Hasler, machinist, is the proud owner of a brand new Chevrolet. Nordene Wilson, pipefitter, has a new Plymouth, but he says that he, personally, unloaded it out of a box-car, so it must be all right. Tracey Boal, timekeeper, has a new Oldsmobile ordered but it has not arrived as yet. It's coming by rail, too.

I. E. Stoops, stationary fireman, recently purchased a new home in "Skeeter Holler," that's why he's been wearing his boots to work.

Sunday, March 10, Lon Hutchins, welder, accompanied by Ike Ashley and Paul Corlock of the Central Motor Sales Company, made a trip down on

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Frisco Family News

EASTERN DIVISION

DIVISION AND STORES ACCOUNTANT SPRINGFIELD, MO.

ILA COOK, Reporter

These are the kind of days that make some folk want to make garden, some begin to look at new cars, the ladies want to stop and window shop but Walter Hudson thinks a pretty spring day is just for his benefit to drive to Wright county.

Only a few in this office took advantage of the holiday to go places and see things. Miss Ethel Copeland had a delightful trip to St. Louis via motor with Miss Helen Yates. Miss Male Beaman and Miss Eunice Hagerman shopped in Kansas City.

Mrs. A. E. Biggers spent the week-end of March 16 in St. Louis. Several who have been friends since the days of "single blessedness," are fortunate to be together for birthday dinners. It so happens that someone in the city had a birthday the 10th and Mrs. Biggers has one the 20th so they compromised and had the dinner on March 16.

Speaking of nice things—Mrs. E. E. Dodd, teacher of personality, was asked to choose ten people in Springfield whom she thought were the most charming. Those who know Mrs. G. J. Williams, even casually, were delighted that she was chosen as one of the ten. She has a charming manner that is particularly her very own.

Mrs. Cora Dale has returned to Chaffee after spending a week visiting her sister, Mrs. A. W. Fay.

We were very sorry to hear of the death of Miss Mary Dally's mother in Pierce City on March 14. Our deepest sympathy is extended to Miss Dally and her family.

Springfield was honored on March 16 by the presence of the Supreme Potentate, Shriners of North America. A dinner-dance was given by the Springfield Shrine for he and his wife at the Kentwood Arms.

AUDITOR-REVENUES DEPT. ST. LOUIS, MO.

E. L. KOHRING and JOE KOEHLER,
Reporters

The magazine is certainly being read judging by the many who wanted to know where the items for last month were. Nothing much happened so we just passed it up—a short month anyway. Outside of a few comic valentines which hit the nail on the head, especially the one Chris Goebel received, it was a quiet month.

The dance sponsored by the Missouri Railway Employees and Taxpayers League held at the Grotto on February 21, proved to be a success and for the older folks who came early, there was a splendid program of entertainment and singing. Jack Culver wishes to "Thank You" for your assistance in putting it over.

Two of the old guard, Ed Mead and Fred Sontag, are back with us on Claims after quite a sojourn in the agents accounts department. How does it feel to "work" again, boys?

M. N. Lallinger now spends his time in Memphis on special cotton work, returning to town for the week-end. Arus McGill is back on his old love, the cotton job. That makes three Irishmen in charge of the cotton situation, McGill, McCormick and McLallinger.

Ed Galennie, our young rate clerk, has taken advantage of an opening in Cleveland, Ohio, with the Frisco soliciting agent. We are sorry to see him go but wish him the best of success. Bob Carr has taken his place here.

Did Duffy ever find out what makes that two-piece top of Roach's snap? Very simple, says Andy.

Now that we've listened to Huey Long and Huey Johnson, how about putting Huey Finnerty on the air? Then we'd know what is really wrong with the country.

Harold "Toar," our red-headed monster, is brushing up on his mandolin lessons and is undecided whether to join up with Lombardo, King or Lyman.

Needless to say, we were much put out to hear about that two weeks' vacation this year. So the big question for most of us, now is, when and where are we going?

Congratulations to Ernie Thielker and his wife on the arrival of a little boy, February 26, or thereabouts. Another new daddy.

When Buck Rohling appeared in that new dark blue suit of his, we could only reach one conclusion—it won't be long now. Next thing we know he'll be getting acquainted with the Jolly Irishman.

Talking about suits, that new brown checkered one of Max Schulze's takes the cake. Just you watch, says Max, they'll all be wearing them soon.

Bill Schreiber, our book binder, and boxer de luxe, won first place in the middleweight division of the Ozark A. A. U., winning all his matches.

Jim Murray has given up cigarettes during lent, only to start smoking a pipe.

Our sympathy is extended to Frank Diedrich in the loss of his mother, March 15.

Ralph Walt was hung up on the jury for about nine days. Trying to catch up with Greg Danis' record?

Bowling Notes: The Meteors climbed to within a game of first place only to drop three in a row and as a result, Bill Riegel's Sureshots have a comfortable lead at this writing. However, anything can happen yet. For the first time this season, the 1000 mark was passed when the leaders hit 1020 for high single. Theme song of the Texas Special's—"Yes, we have one bowler."

PURCHASING DEPARTMENT ST. LOUIS, MO.

W. L. RITTER, Reporter

Has anyone seen Louie? He is probably out dodging skiffs and outboard motor boats.

Since our John Daniels has been elected to the presidency of the St. Louis Terminal Club, we have two distinguished men with us, the other being R. B. McBride, Governor, Purchasing Department, of the St. Louis Men's Club.

We note from the March issue that J. A. Manion, our new club president, takes a neat picture. Presume he keeps his healthy look from the exercise of bowling.

Margaret Cowan stacks up a nice bowling score lately, but its no wonder. She gets all her pointers from Jack Holcraft.

The purchasing department, Drake-White-Bell and Nachtmann "Home Spun Four" quartet now want to start a baseball team. Al Ball has volunteered to carry the adding machine, while our Henry Compton pulls up in the rear with the liniment.

Herby Clay, after a close check on his recent cold, finds he had a toothache instead of a cold.

Since things are slowing up, as we have no weddings to report at this writing, we will close file.

OFFICE OF GENERAL MANAGER

ORVILLE COBLE, Reporter

Mickey Groundhog was late this spring. His appearance brought joy and relief to his admirers for many feared he had passed to his reward as he had turned in so early last fall. But Mickey says the best way to winter a depression is to sleep it through.

While C. H. Bothwell has made a splendid recovery he still finds it necessary to use crutches. Clarence reports it not so bad walking with four legs after he had figured out which was the hind pair.

Miss Mildred LeBoit plans a thyroidectomy before returning to work. Good luck and good health, Mildred!

Orville Coble discussed Consumers' Problems at the Adult Forum, March 11. In a contest with nature he was badly worsted. Orville's oratory failed to fill the house, while Heaven's floodwaters filled most of the city's basements.

GENERAL STOREKEEPER'S OFFICE—SPRINGFIELD, MO.

DOROTHEA HYDE, Reporter

"Doctor's orders." John Charles, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Mayabb, must stay in the house and have a sign on the door, "Scarlet Fever." He doesn't let a little thing like that get him down. Even though he has to say in bed all day, he just sits up and spends his time drawing funny pictures.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Fullerton have had as their guest for the past few weeks Mrs. Fullerton's sister, Mrs. Eula Newton, of Chicago.

Ed McKenna is in Mr. Harvey's office on extra work for a few days.

Miss Nora Nichols has been off sick

for over a week. Hope that sore throat is better, Nora, and best wishes for a speedy recovery.

Mrs. Allan Moore and daughter, Rose Mary, have been visiting in Vernon, Texas, with Mrs. Moore's sister.

Sincere sympathy is extended to James Harvey Weed, roadmaster, Eastern division, and his family. Mr. Weed's wife passed away March 4. She had not been ill long and her death was a shock to the family.

Sorry to report another death in the Morton family. John F. Morton passed away March 18. He is an uncle of Miss Madge Morton in the superintendent's office.

Misses Leota (Tillie) Friend and Mary Daily, employes of the master mechanic's office at Kansas City, were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Kreuger. Miss Daily stayed only a few hours, continuing her trip to Pierce City to be with her home folks.

Clyde (Jake) Fullerton was never known to do anything that he didn't always come out at the little end of the horn, but the table has turned for Jake this time. We'll say it's the "New Deal." So to speak, John Bass located a perfectly good red bone hound and four puppies with no place to sleep and nothing to eat. He went to friend Jake with the sad story. Both of them got in Jake's little Ford that evening and went to the country, loaded the dogs in and brought them to Jake's home. John felt he had done his duty so he turned the whole responsibility over to Jake. The dogs got all they could eat and the best of care from their new master. It did not take them long to get plump and pretty. They were eating Jake and his wife out of a house and home, so he had to get rid of them. After a few good sales talks he traded the big dog for a gold watch. He took two of the puppies to the country and traded them for half interest in a boat, getting possession of the keys. John just can't take it. His face has been long for a week and we all agree Jake should let him carry the watch part of the time.

DIVISION STOREKEEPER'S OFFICE—SPRINGFIELD, MO.

PEARL A. FAIN, Reporter

Sincere sympathy is extended to the loved ones and friends of J. H. Williams of 1502 Washington Ave., this city, who died Monday, March 11, from injuries received in an accident. He and two sons were in an automobile accident on Highway 66, west of the city, several days previous to Mr. Williams' death. His sons were also injured and one is still in the hospital, but we trust he will soon recover. Mr. Williams, before his retirement, was night watchman for the store department.

D. R. Case is at present in the Frisco hospital, this city, suffering from rheumatism, but we trust he will soon be back with us.

The first of the month our city experienced another dust storm; the dust apparently originating in Kansas and Nebraska. But our dust storms are mere shadows, in fact they would not even be called a shadow of the storms which are experienced in those states. L. H. McGuire, of this department, received a picture the other day from his mother who is visiting in Shields, Kans. From the picture one would judge that a number of oil wells were on fire, the cloud of dust was so heavy and big.

Following our dust storm the first week in March came a heavy rain the 10th and 11th; in fact almost four inches of rain fell and that is a lot of rain. It is said that one inch of rain on an acre of ground weighs thirty-eight tons; so our vicinity has had enough to last for some time. The dam at Forsythe, Mo., rose to a height of 15.3 feet, making the total height of the fall over 65 feet. Jim Akridge took advantage of the heavy rains, thinking perhaps all the fish would be washed out into the farmers' fields, and laid off the 12th and went fishing. On his return he made the statement: "There was so much water down there I could not get close enough to fish."

Speaking of fishing, a party of five fishermen, namely: Claude Hereford (our neighbor reporter of the water service department), C. C. Meyer, Jack Gannon, A. G. Denham and Jim Akridge motored to Warsaw early the morning of the 10th (and it was raining then) and fished most of the day on the Osage river. To begin with they had a mighty hard time it seems to get "Krauty" Meyer out of bed; "Kelly" kept Jim busy watching little "Jake" lest he fall in the river; Mr. Hereford was fishing from a 10-foot ledge extending from the bank, it seems, threw his minnow bucket in by mistake, got mad and threw his line and reel in after it; and to bring the day to a climax, Jim went to get up from the stump where he had been sitting, stooped over to get his line and reel by the side of the stump, both feet slipped on the slippery mud and down he went; he grabbed for the stump with both arms, took all the bark off, skinned his hands, but in spite of the hard fight he lost and fell into the river but swam ashore—needless to tell you of the picture he made to his companions and the laughs that followed.

Mell Lambeth has gone into the stock business and as a side issue, might say it has become necessary that he has had to learn the hardships of a regular veterinary.

Sam Gaston has been on a diet for several weeks and as a result has lost eleven pounds, but the poor fellow has gotten to the place where he dreams about fried ham.

Oscar Cook says there is going to be "war" at his house if his daughter becomes a Democrat. It seems she came home from school recently and had a lot of young Democratic ideals, and Cook, being a strong Republican— you can guess the rest!

Noah Farris admits he and Charley Barnhardt are two of the laziest fellows in the store department—perfect examples of the result of spring fever.

O. Kemm was off the 12th of March to attend the funeral of a relative, Peter Rauch, at Billings, Mo.

O. E. Bitterick, better known as "Buzzard," has been given the name of "Little Scratch."

Henry Nelson is back with us again, after performing the duties of acting storekeeper at Monett, Mo., and he tells us it was no "swivel chair" job.

WITH THE DINING CAR EMPLOYEES

E. B. WILKINS, Reporter

James Baker returned to his post of duty after a ten-day visit with his family in Kansas City.

Mrs. Eva Powell, wife of waiter, Stanton Powell, was called to the bedside of a sick sister in Knoxville, Tenn.

Frank Hadden was called to Chicago on account of the death of an aunt.

John Bailey and wife were smiling visitors in St. Louis recently, and also visited relatives in Memphis.

Ernest Wilkins is the proud father of a ten months' old baby girl.

Chas. McDonald is the smallest waiter on the Frisco and Stanton Powell is the largest.

CLINTON AND OSCEOLA SUB.

MRS. A. W. LIFFEE, Reporter

We wish to express our sympathy to Mrs. C. Effinger in the sudden death of her husband who was an engineer on the Eastern division.

Robert Loafmen, son of Engineer Loafman, spent several days at Edmond, Okla., recently.

C. S. Kline, brakeman, is slowly improving. Mr. Kline has been sick for the past three months.

R. G. Brown, who has been fireman on one of the night runs, has gone back to the main line. H. C. Bridges has bid in this vacancy.

The reporter will appreciate any news of interest any time. Address it to the roundhouse, Clinton.

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MONETT LOCOMOTIVE DEPARTMENT NEWS

MARGUERITE FROSSARD, Reporter

Impish, fiendish winds, steady, drenching rains, swollen streams, destructive floods—and on the more cheerful side—warm, bright sunshine, marching grass, fragrant yellow jonquils, joyful chirping of happily active birds—yes, there's no doubt about it—Spring is here!

Speaking of floods reminds us—we experienced a dandy here in Monett on March 11, when after two days of unrelenting downpour, Kelley creek decided to leave its conventional banks and start on a mad, exciting adventure. Broadway took on the appearance of a Venetian canal (only a trifle muddy) and the Frisco passenger yards and platform were a veritable sea of swirling, rushing water! After a few hours the overflow subsided, and luckily, not a tremendous amount of damage resulted.

Our sympathies are tendered Charles O. Rauch, yard fireman, who suffered the loss of his father, Peter Rauch, of Billings, Mo., on March 9. Mr. Rauch was 81 years of age, and although afflicted with heart disease for the past year, he was otherwise healthy and active up until the time of his sudden passing.

Another young couple happily and hopefully trodding the initial paths of wedded bliss! Howard Campbell, son of W. W. Campbell, boilermaker, in the principle male role, and Miss Mildred Haglar as the blushing bride. May their blessings be many, and their happiness profound!

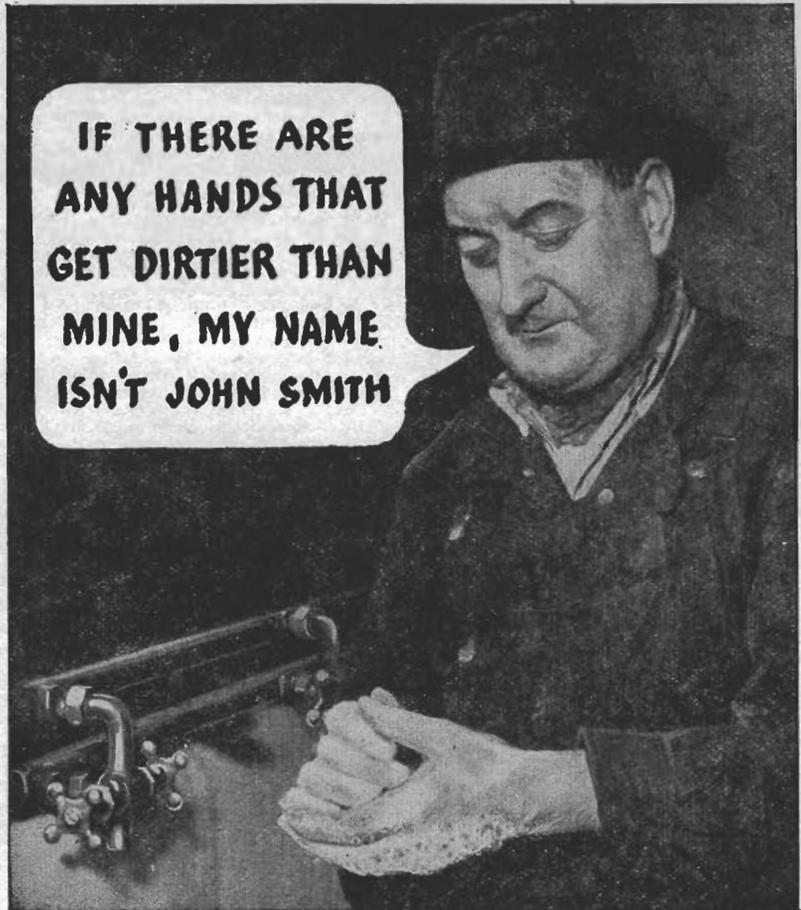
Unfortunate occurrences and hard luck really do succeed themselves at times, as witnessed by the following: Mrs. C. F. Davidson, wife of car foreman, was called to Jermyn, Texas, on February 26, by the serious illness of a relative, and a few days after her arrival there was herself stricken with pneumonia, which rapidly developed to a serious stage. Mr. Davidson has been with her since March 4. At this time he reports she is beginning to improve and hopes to be able to bring her home in a few days.

CENTRAL MACHINE AND FILE DEPARTMENT ST. LOUIS, MO.

LARRY KNEEDLER, Reporter

Last month Pearl Pain, reporter for division storekeeper's office in Springfield, had an item asking how we got our info about the activities of the milk man. We can assure you, Miss Pain, that we did not get it "first hand" as you say, but our knowledge was gained from two sources; namely, Walter Strathman and Ivar Johnson, two of our fellow employes. Walter told us that many times he has ridden home with the milkman, and as for Ivar—he lives out in Pine Lawn and has to get up that early in order to come to the city in time to go to work.

Five years ago, on the eve of George Washington's birthday, five young ladies from the general offices held a meeting at the home of one of them, and it was agreed that there would be a similar meeting in 1935 and each was to bring her family along. These young ladies were Sophie Williams, Loyola McLaughlin, Wilsie Cawthon, Helen Bell and Betty Basman, and the meeting place was Betty's home. Last February 21, the same group kept good their promise and again assembled. During the span of intervening years, three of them had their names changed. They are now: Loyola Rathman, Sophie Klauber and Wilsie Allen and Loyola, who was the hostess, was the only one who really kept her promise and had



John Smith, B & O Boiler Inspector, Makes Bid for Dirty-Hands Championship—But Concedes Clean-Hand Championship to Lava Soap Users

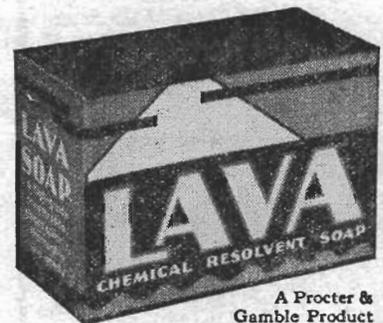
The dirty-hands argument waxes fast and furious! Each man votes for himself as having the dirtiest hands in the world. Yet each and every one casts his vote for Lava Soap as the quickest, safest way to get grimy hands clean.

Here's John Smith—and that's his *real* name. Mr. Smith backs up his claim as follows: "If all these guys who claimed the dirtiest hands in the world could see mine after I was through inspecting an empty fire-box, they'd award me the championship right off. You just can't get hands dirtier than I do in there. But I *will* agree with them that you can't get grimy hands really clean *except with Lava Soap.*"

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