

## The New Relationship

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the end that the company may be financially able to maintain the generous conditions of employment and even improve upon those conditions as circumstances warrant.

### Handling of Complaints

As to the agreement not meaning what it says, if there are those employed on this railroad under the terms of said agreement who are not receiving the benefits to be accrued, therefrom, they have only themselves and their associates to blame. A means has been provided for the handling of any cause for complaint. The only requirement is the proper organization conducted in accordance with the constitution and by-laws of the association. The statement has been made that if the association should prove a failure, it would not be the fault of the management by reason of the fact that they failed to do their part. Members of the system board are in a position to realize the literal truth of that statement and it is unfortunate, indeed, that a greater proportion of the membership has not had the advantage of that experience.

The question was asked in the beginning of this article, "Is the management satisfied?" (Apology will again be offered for lack of authority to speak, but I will, as before venture a brief comment.) Public expression of officials from the head of mechanical department down, permit of no doubt as to their opinions on this question; opinions, which we have small reason to believe were drawn from fancy, but were more likely the result of cold hard figures which leaves nothing to the belief or supposition. Those in a position to observe need but to look about them in the shops today to be convinced of the remarkable increase in the output, per man, as compared with the production under the old order. No effort will be made to prove to what extent satisfactory output of its shops are responsible for the fact, that company shares are quoted on the stock exchange today at a figure approximating their par value. A very happy condition that, to the best knowledge of the writer, has not heretofore existed in many years.

Fully considering all the circumstances, is it not high time that every employee within the jurisdiction of the association manifest his confidence in the new scheme of things, take his place as a member of the association, strive for the promotion of its ideals, to the end that the association may be the great good to him and his fellow associates as intended by the founders? Consideration of the past, except as it may serve to guide our future, is of little value. We know full well that in this case the past was not good, that the future is bright with promise. Let us turn our eyes in that direction, every man to his job whatever it may be, doing his best

in appreciation of a management willing to be more than fair in the creation of a loyal and contented mass of employes.

A loyal spirit, intelligently directed, will work wonders on a system such as ours. It is easy to vision a future in which every man will be proud of the part he plays in the most efficient transportation machine the country has yet produced.

"Unions" as used in this article refers to shop craft organizations as they existed on these lines prior to July, 1922.

### THE BOOMER

He blew into Grogans shanty as the boys were having lunch,  
An' right away he's one of us, an eatin' with the bunch.  
He bones a fag from Grogan an' then right off the reel,  
This bloomin' boomin' boomer gives his modest little spiel.  
He's railroaded in Mexico, in Idaho an' Maine,  
There's nothing you can tell this guy about the railroad game.  
Skatcheywan to Saginaw, Chi— to Painted Post,  
Birmingham and New Yawleans, he knows 'em coast to coast.  
Oil burners on the Fanta Fe, smoke eaters on the "Q",  
N. Y. C. and Nickel Plate, Erie, Penn an' "Soo".  
Loggin' roads an' minin' dumps, freight and varnished trains,  
He's Hogger, Shack an' Taller Pot, Baggageman an' Brains.  
Thrills are what he's lookin' for, let him tell the tale,  
An' when he finds the railroad game is gettin' kinda stale,  
He kicks out of his overalls and beats it for the hills,  
Forgettin' in the meantime to pay his little bills.  
He's a sojer an' he's sailor, an' all around free-lance;  
Went over with the engineers an' done his bit in France;  
Was in the Cuban mixup, an' in the Philippines,  
In infantry an' cavalry, an' leather-neck marines.  
Sailed round the world 'fore the mast aboard the Golden Rule,  
Crossed the Painted Desert on a blind Missouri mule;  
Rode with Villa's raiders down in Mexico,  
An' killed a buckin' broncho in a Shyan Rodeo.  
An' there's the ladies, bless 'em, the pester of his life,  
His fatal beauty gets 'em, widow, maid, an' wife,  
They're doggin' of his footsteps, they're campin' on his trail.  
An' when he hops a rattler, they wail an' wail an' wail.  
"Well, fellars, glad I met you, but now I gotta skip,  
I got a job of chambermaid aboard a cattle ship.  
He shakes our hands affectionate an' at the door salutes,  
An' with him goes my briar pipe an' Grogans rubber boots!"

—B. of L. E. Journal for December"

### DROP HIM A LINE, BOYS

This is just a little invitation extended by Churchill B. Wilson, to his old friends and railroad "buddies" to drop into Springfield and talk over the old railroad days.

Mr. Wilson is 86 years of age and one of the oldest veterans on the Frisco pension roll, with thirty-six years' service to his credit. During his



CHURCHILL B. WILSON

service he was closely associated with R. L. Nevius, at one time storekeeper for the Frisco and later served under Mr. Mullroy, storekeeper, and had charge of the section that handled all the castings.

The picture is indicative of the good health which this happy veteran enjoys.

His hobby is listening in on the radio to programs broadcast by the Kansas Sunflower girl at the Ft. Worth Star-Telegram broadcasting station.

A line from his old friends along the Frisco system who know him, will reach him at 1518 Washington Avenue, Springfield, Mo., where he now resides with his daughter, Mrs. Ernest Brandt.

### Local No. 7 Aids Needy

The members of Local No. 7 of Ft. Smith, Arkansas, are not alone interested in the welfare of the employees in the shops, but have extended aid to the needy of Ft. Smith in the interest of humanity and to aid the Salvation Army.

That the holidays might mean more to many of those less fortunate, the members of Local No. 7, under the supervision of Messrs. D. W. Stanley, J. L. Eudy and E. L. Reese raised a total of \$34.50 to present to the Salvation Army.

The Ft. Smith paper made the following comment:

"Sergeant Brown was called to the Frisco shops on Wednesday, December 23, at noon, and presented with a purse containing \$34.50 from the metal crafts employes there. This sum is expected to be increased to \$40.00 the shopmen reported."



# Frisco Family News

## EASTERN DIVISION

### OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF TRANSPORTATION SPRINGFIELD, MO.

A. T. SILVER, Reporter

Our reporter, Mr. Silver, while out of the hospital, is not yet able to return to the office. Understand he has gone to Kansas City to consult a specialist about his eyes. We hope to have him back in the office soon, with a good pair of strong glasses—for A. T. is losing out on the new building going up across the street.

Clarence Wilks, cartoonist, was looking for a hot time New Year's Eve, but did not look for as warm a time as he got. Clarence, like all boys, fills his pockets with matches, combs, etc., and while straightening up his desk, leaned against it, causing one of the matches to ignite and the comb exploded, consequently Clarence had a hot time and a week's vacation. He is now back and says he is carrying safety matches in his pocket.

### OFFICE, SUPT. OF TERMINALS SPRINGFIELD, MO.

DOLYNE SCOTT, Reporter

W. P. Gustin, general yardmaster, has been very sick for several days and at the present time is at the St. John's Hospital, where he underwent a minor operation. We all miss Mr. Gustin's cheerfulness and trust he will be back with us soon.

We are all looking forward to the general meeting of the Claim Prevention and Better Service Committee, which is to be held in Springfield, on February 19 and 20. February 20 is the date set for the Springfield Terminal Safety Committee meeting, and we hope it will be possible for a number of the general committee to stay over and meet with us.

The following New Year greeting was received by Mr. W. P. Gustin from an old friend whom he had not seen for thirty years:

"Dear Old Friend, 'Butch':

"Thirty years ago, I remember when eggs were three dozen for two bits; butter was ten cents per pound; milk was five cents per quart; the butcher gave away liver and treated the kids with bologna; the hired girl received two bucks per week and done the 'washin'; women did not powder and paint (in public), smoke, vote, play poker, or shake the Charleston; men wore whiskers and boots, chewed tobacco, spit on the sidewalk and cussed; beer was five cents per glass and the lunch was free (Hamburger! Oh, where art thou?); laborers worked ten hours a day and never went on a strike; no tips were given to waiters, and the hat check grafter was unknown; a kerosene hanging lamp and a stereoscope in the parlor were luxuries; no one was ever operated on for appendicitis or bought glands; microbes were unheard of; folks lived to a good old age and

every year walked miles to wish their friends a Merry Christmas.

"Today people ride in automobiles or fly, play golf, shoot craps, play the piano with their feet, go to the movies nightly, smoke cigarettes, drink Rockus Juice, blame the H. C. of L. on the Republicans, never go to bed the same day they get up, and think they are having a grand and glorious time. These are the days of suffragetting, profiteering, excess taxes and prohibition, and if you think life worth living, I wish you

A HAPPY NEW YEAR!  
Your old friend,  
John Steinmeyer."

### SEVENTH STREET STATION ST. LOUIS, MO.

AGNES M. LARKIN, Reporter

In response to the Veterans' Association campaign for new members, the following "Old Timers" at this station have filed application: H. G. Snyder, general agent, 23 years' service; E. W. Miller, chief clerk, 23 years; R. L. Klein, general foreman, 37 years; Adam Erlinger, foreman inbound, 35 years; J. V. Zuber, per diem clerk, 27 years; W. D. Winget, chief accountant, 25 years; Arthur A. Koch, assistant foreman, 20 years; Chas. Maurer, rate clerk, 22 years; P. T. Moran, yard clerk, 20 years; Chas. Jacobi, loading clerk, 27 years; Geo. Schraudenbach, delivery clerk, 21 years; James Brown, loading clerk, 21 years. NOW BRING ON YOUR BARBECUE.—(That's the spirit, Vets.—Ed.)

Friday, January 15, was indeed a great day at Seventh Street—the back pay so long expected became a reality. To some a little more for the savings account each month, to others an offset to rising living costs, and at any rate, welcome to all.

The Christmas crop of diamond rings among the fair sex at Seventh Street was a disappointment, however, the situation was saved from an absolute flop when the ethereal Catherine Meehan came down displaying a beautiful gem. Jos. Condon, formerly a rate clerk at this station, is the lucky fellow.

John Spielman, versatile collector, has recently annexed a misplaced eyebrow on his upper lip, but this has in no way hindered his prowess as a bowler, he recently turning in a 290-pin game in the City Tournament.

#### Billing Department Review

Geo. Dowling—This boy needs an interpreter. George spent a strenuous half an hour learning the difference between pumpernickel and hassenpfeffer.

Rosalia O'Toole—This girl sang Schnitzelbank. Hard to believe, with a monicker like O'Toole.

Robt. Ricksteiger—The De Tony Sheik. Nothing delights Bob more than a good argument.

Hank Pleiman—Easy to get along with every day in the week but Wednesday and Saturday. Wonder what the reason could be.

Chas. Maurer—Makes too many trips to Pana, Illinois, to be going just for the ride. There may be a \_\_\_\_\_ in the case.

M. Ferguson — This lad heads the seniority list with ten years. For further details ask Aggie, the Carondelet reporter.

Hubert Dean—Plenty of talent here. This boy spent twenty dollars for a banjo and fifteen cents for a haircut.

Leo Flynn—This boy would make an excellent Santa Claus. Endowed by nature with the correct bulk, etc. Especially since he added ten pounds.

### FREIGHT ACCOUNTING DEPARTMENT—ST. LOUIS, MO.

BESSIE G. MARMADUKE, Reporter

January, 1926, has wrought a few changes about this department. With the completion of Mr. Bernthal's office, the equipment of both interline and recheck departments have undergone a change of position and a new line-up now greets the eye and there is much speculation as to what department will next be given attention.

E. R. O. Mueller, our well-liked assistant auditor freight accounts, having been assigned to other duties which will necessitate his frequent absence from the office has moved his desk back to the thirteenth floor. We will miss Mr. Mueller very much and in the phrase of the country reporter, "Our loss will be the thirteenth floor's gain."

Have you seen that diamond ring Miss Harriet Rosser, comptometer operator, amid profuse blushes, has been proudly displaying to her co-workers in the statistical department. There's a reason! And, by the way, we have noted that several dinner rings have put in their appearance since Santa's 1925 visit.

Conrad Goehausen, at Christmas time, was the recipient of a beautiful gold watch from his many Frisco friends as a memento of his years of service prior to his retirement in the freight accounting department. No present was made to him when he left and he is very proud and appreciative of this token of remembrance.

Mr. Moody assumed the duties of chief clerk, effective January 1, 1926.

A recent visitor to the office to say "Hello" and renew old acquaintances was our veteran, Mr. Downing, looking hale and hearty and enjoying his pension days.

"People who live in glass houses should never throw stones!" So goes the old adage. R. Kunstel, who started the new year in our "Glass House" can vouch for the fact that "Milt" Miller and "Buddy" Zimmer are much too busy to disregard this admonition.

A. J. Jakle, recheck clerk, says that some railroads have more freight tariffs than they have box cars.

### AGENT'S OFFICE—MONETT, MO.

PEARL E. LEWIS, Reporter

W. K. Bierer, platform foreman, has returned to work after an absence of several weeks on account of an injured foot.

Jesse Perriman, who was injured in a motorcycle accident nine weeks ago, has returned from the Frisco hospital

in St. Louis and resumed work at the freight platform.

A. M. Trimble and wife spent Christmas day in Peirce City with his mother. Mr. Trimble is proud of the fact that it has been his pleasure to spend Christmas at the home of his mother every year since his birth, fifty years ago.

Some of our force decided they would cut down their meat bill and eat rabbit for awhile, so they proceeded to build some traps and place them in the thicket adjoining town. Mr. Brown seems to head the list for "luck", for, after waiting patiently about two weeks, to his delight, one morning he found the trigger had slipped and the door was closed. Well, he has never divulged the "species" he found, but "Big George", the porter, was seen boarding No. 716 with a broad grin and a package under his arm.

Helen Nothern, stenographer for the general yardmaster, accompanied by her sister, Mildred, spent the holiday season in Dallas, Texas.

Mack Cotham, first trick icing clerk, and Hattie Porterfield took the marriage vows at the Christian Church, the twentieth, the ring ceremony was read by the Reverend Anderson. Mr. Cotham joined the Frisco family at this place about three years ago, coming from the "Sunny South", New Orleans by location, and smilingly admits the "southern belles" have no advantage over these "Missouri girls". We all extend our best wishes to these newlyweds.

Ruby Dickerson has been assigned to the position of third trick telephone operator, account of the resignation of Bess Kirby.

Our agent arrived at the office one morning all "pepped up", and stepping around lively—well, who wouldn't be after attending a "Henry Ford Dance" over the radio—and they tell us he is right there, too, when it comes to a "Schottische".

Clarence Crumrine, a former clerk at this station, was renewing acquaintances this month. Mr. Crumrine is now located at Kansas City as demurrage clerk for the Frisco.

The stork left a beautiful little girl at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Ezell, January 4, and they have named her Madeline.

## ST. LOUIS MECHANICAL DEPT.

LOUISE SCHUTTE, Reporter

Another remarkable record! George R. Berger, passenger engineer out of St. Louis, has been in the service thirty-two years and has never missed a pay day during all those years, excepting one. That was when he started to work for the Frisco as an extra man in the roundhouse at Chouteau Avenue. One month he made only \$1.32 and the next month nothing at all.

Mr. Hoflich (to new employe): "Ever work for a railroad before?"

New Employee: "No, sir, this is the first time I worked for a train factory."

Roy S. White entertained sixteen relatives at his home recently. According to Barney, it must have been a real live party, with plenty to eat and drink (soda pop, we think), and a string band.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Van Horn of Ottawa, Illinois, spent three weeks with Engineer W. H. Van Horn in St. Louis. Part of the time was spent at Mr. Van Horn's lodge, Point-Look-Out on the Meramec. Harold is Engineer Van Horn's son and is connected with the Certain-teed Products Company at Ottawa.

Mrs. George R. Berger, wife of Engineer Berger, is visiting relatives in the East.

James Hoflich, Jr., who is attending the Kendrick School at Old Orchard, was at home during the holidays. Mr. Hof-

lich, his father, says it is very lonely at home without James, Jr., but he gave his parents a radio set for Christmas to help pass the long winter evenings while he is away.

We regret to announce the sudden death of Arthur Snelson, which occurred on January 13. Mr. Snelson was the father-in-law of John Daniels, our smiling chauffeur, and we extend our sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Daniels.

Engineer W. L. Harford, who has been an engineer out of St. Louis for many years, is off on account of sickness.

## LINDENWOOD MECHANICAL DEPARTMENT

CELESTINE DEVEREUX, Reporter

This happened the night before Christmas!

A firm, short rap, then stillness. Mr. Ficke went to the door, but could see no one. The street light played on an object on the porch—a basket heavily covered. He brought the bundle into the warm room and eagerly removed the outer wrappings. Cover after cover was unfolded until—a darling, curly, blonde-headed, blue-eyed baby came into view.

Mr. Ficke has called him John Francis. Not in the habit of keeping late hours, walking the floor tells its tale of woe. Mr. Ficke, however, does not seem to mind; his thoughts are wrapped up in the future, that is, J. F.'s future.

It is our sincere hope that John Francis proves himself worthy of his foster-father.

Frank Lampton, formerly of south side, Springfield, stopped over long enough to say "Hello", January 16, which is not what we might expect. Hope your next visit will be much longer.

Sid Williamson and wife spent a belated honeymoon in Amory, Sid's home town.

Among the vacationists: Mr. and Mrs. Wm. P. Gorman, Memphis; Chas. C. Connelly, Ft. Worth, Texas; Roscoe Warren, Springfield; W. W. Melton, Springfield; Cliff Barnett, Amory.

## MONETT YARD—MONETT, MO.

FRANK L. KYLER, Reporter

Barth Teehan, one of the oldest switchmen in Monett, has been retired on account of failing health. Mr. Teehan will be remembered by many as the cheerful old gentleman who always had a bit of wit and humor at the tip of his tongue. We are going to miss Mr. Teehan from our midst and the least we can say is that he was, and is, a mighty fine man and well worthy of the host of friends that are his.

Ben. H. Robertson, formerly employed at West Lebanon, has bid in the third trick telegraph job at the passenger office here. Claude Leak, who vacated the position has bid in the second trick at Newburg. Sorry to lose you, Claude; welcome to our midst, Benjamin!

Phill. V. Conboy, engineer on the motor car between Afton and Joplin, who has been off duty for two months, having lost a finger in an accident, has returned to work.

Bess Kirby, who has been employed as PBX operator for the past several years, has resigned her position. Ruby Dickerson, formerly relief operator will officiate on the third trick switchboard in Miss Kirby's place, and Gladys Masoner will assume the duties of relief operator.

Ye Scribe and others of the family, spent the last few days of the quail season, on a hunting trip in the south part of the county. Several birds were

bagged each day by Ephraim, who is justly proud of the record. Formerly, if any Bob Whites were fetched home by him, they had to be run down and caught alive.

The Monett Times, in the issue of January 7, contained an account of the marriage of Bess Kirby and Marvin K. Pace, which occurred on December 18, 1925, at the home of the bride's brother in St. Louis. The bride is the eldest daughter of Mrs. Sarah Kirby of

## Can You Answer These Questions?

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How is the steam end of an air compressor lubricated?

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this city, and has spent most of her life in Monett. She has efficiently filled the position of telephone operator on the Frisco switchboard for the past six years. Mr. Pace is quite well known in railroad and civic circles, having resided at Monett for several years, where he holds the position of general yardmaster. The personnel of the Monett yard join me in wishing the happy couple long years of connubial bliss and happiness.

Switchman Dave Marshall has bid in the 7 a. m. middle lead crew, the vacancy created by B. Teehan.

The city has enacted an ordinance requiring motorists to stop at intersections of side streets on Broadway. An engineer drove his trusty little hack down Fourth Street yesterday and, noticing the "stop" sign, brought his vehicle to a halt, whistled one long, two shorts and a long with the horn, and then proceeded. This hoghead has evidently been running an engine in automatic block territory.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde McKee have returned to their home in Kansas City after having spent the holidays with Mrs. McKee's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Westenhaver. Mr. McKee was formerly a fireman out of Monett, and is now in the same capacity with the Kansas City Terminal Railway.

Switchman G. B. Bowen has bid in the 6:30 a. m. coach crew, vacated by Dave Marshall.

Switchman J. M. Mansfield bid in the 7 a. m. crew, vacated by Bowen.

Charles B. Wagner, who formerly held a position in the freight department and later as local agent at Monett, died at his home here, Monday evening. Mr. Wagner was ill only a few hours and his sudden death has been a great shock to his host of friends.

Frank Ellis, road foreman of equipment on the Northern Division, who is in the hospital at St. Louis, is reported as improving.

We don't know whether it can be blamed on the climate or not, anyway it has snowed every place around here, and we don't get it. It's always calm just before a storm, though, and perhaps our share of the flakes will come later. "Us reptiles" and other things that creepeth, hope the weather man is right.

Floyd E. Cress and Hazel Reed, both of Monett, were united in the holy bonds of matrimony, January 2, 1926. Mr. Cress is a brakeman on the Southwestern Division.

Do you realize that the Ozark Fruit Growers' Association is handling a \$2,000,000 business yearly, a majority of which the Frisco handles and through the Monett yards at that?

A correspondent to The Times, located at Bethel Springs, remarked about seeing two airplanes pass overhead, last week. They were not certain as to the identity. Thought they were either U. S. mail planes or booze birds from the North. Now, we wonder, too.

### ROLLA, MO.

BESS LEA, Reporter

New Years always brings many changes, this time a promotion on the Rolla Sub. C. T. Mason, assistant superintendent was appointed superintendent at Sapulpa, being succeeded here by O. N. Watts of Chaffee, Mo. Here's wishing both a very successful year.

Oliver Wrench, section foreman here for the past five years, passed away December 28 at the Frisco hospital in St. Louis. We extend our sympathy to the bereaved family.

Claude Leek, Monett, successful bidder on the second trick at Newburg, relieved P. E. Paulsell, who resumed his regular work at St. John, Mo.

R. D. Wilson, car foreman, is still on the sick list and is now in the Frisco hospital at Springfield for treatment.

Helen Y. Fellows returned to her duties as third trick operator at Newburg, after a very pleasant vacation of three weeks during the holidays.

S. L. Perlman, St. Louis, was here this week doing special work for the valuation department.

News is scarce this month. All of you on the Rolla Sub get busy and send me some items. Tell about yourselves and others. Help to make the family news interesting.

### TELEGRAPH DEPARTMENT SPRINGFIELD, MO.

O. L. OUSLEY, Reporter

General Foreman S. B. Musgrave is the proudest man on the railroad since Christmas. His men presented him with a beautiful watch chain and Shrine em-

blem charm. We understand that Line-men Baker and Smith at Enid composed the purchasing committee. If all who contributed to this very attractive gift could see Mr. Musgrave "strutting" it, they would easily realize the extent of his appreciation.

Stella Meatte of this office made a hurried trip to Florida just before Christmas. She thought she was only going to stay a few days, but she got the "bug" like everyone else who visits Florida these days, and did not come back. We have just received news of her marriage on January 7, at Ft. Lauderdale, to Chas. J. Dando, formerly of Springfield, but now selling Hollywood real estate. We hope for both a long life of happiness and success.

Ruth Saunders was employed in this office to fill the vacancy created by Miss Meatte's resignation.

Lillian Hultsch is going to Florida next week. We have her promise that she will return. We hope the railroads do not extend their embargo to include out-bound passengers.

C. H. Williamson, telephone engineer, attended an A. R. A. Committee meeting in Chicago on January 7 to 9.

Geraldine Westenberger has been employed as messenger in this office, filling the vacancy caused by the resignation of Helen Finley.

Ethel Hill has recently purchased a new Essex coach.

We regret to report that General Foreman S. B. Musgrave was called to West Philadelphia, Pa., January 17, on account of the sudden death of his sister.

There was recently noticed in a file handled by this department, the following Western Union telegram, sent by a large packing company to a meat market in one of our towns: "Truck failed to pick up your order yesterday. Expressing by afternoon train today." Possibly the people in that town would have gone hungry if the Frisco train had failed to run, but, of course, it didn't fail.

An inspection party, consisting of Western Union and railway officials, is traveling over the line this week in a gasoline motor car. This car is about the size of our passenger motor cars and carries twenty passengers comfortably. The party consists of Vice-President Titley of New York, Division Plant Superintendent Watt and other Western Union representatives from Omaha, also Mr. Brennan and Mr. Musgrave of this department.

A splendid tribute was paid the Springfield PBX operators and the service they render, when at Christmas time, they received from telephone users approximately 50 pounds of candy as well as other presents.

Ray Tinsley Soper enjoyed a short visit at the home of his parents in Louisville, Ky., the first of this month.

Miss M. B. Deming spent the holiday season with relatives in Kansas City.

Edward Schlicht was transferred to the Southwestern Division, January 1, account of bidding in the agency at Elgin, Okla.

C. B. Crump and family spent New Years Day visiting in Kansas City.

A. B. Strain has returned from Tulsa where he and his family spent several days visiting during the holidays.

Curtis Danforth has returned from a short visit at Fayetteville.

Since F. C. Schmidt installed a radio set at his home this Christmas, he has decided that one should not go to bed before about 1:00 a. m.

We understand that the hen strike that has been in effect at B. L. Kennedy's farm for the past month or so has been settled and that Mr. Kennedy is now getting all the eggs due him.

D. A. Flaherty and family spent several days motoring in Kansas during the holidays. They visited the new oil fields at Keighley on this trip.

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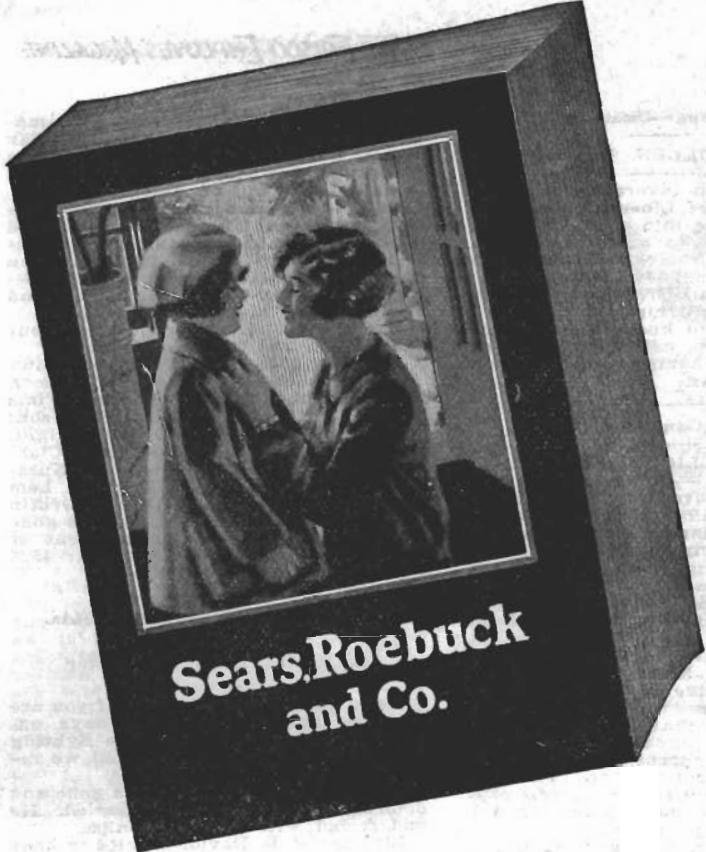
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