

**MONETT LOCOMOTIVE DEPT.
MONETT, MO.**

MARGUERITE FROSSARD, Reporter

Engineer T. A. Frossard and family have returned from a delightful three-weeks' vacation, spent in visiting and sightseeing in the western states and along the Pacific Coast.

Gone, but not forgotten! Thus speak the roundhouse supervisors at this point, referring to the 1927 vacation days. P. A. Carter, the last to indulge, returned on August 15, revived and refreshed for another year of labor and toil. Mr. and Mrs. Carter enjoyed a two weeks' visit with relatives at St. Louis and Amarillo, Texas.

What a tragic, ruthless manner was chosen for extinguishing the life of T. F. Mansfield, one of our oldest and finest passenger engineers! It remained for him, who for thirty-five years had bravely faced the uncertainties and hazards inherent to the occupation of a railroad engineer, to walk blindly on to the rails before an incoming passenger train at the passenger station, Monett, and be instantly crushed beneath the same locomotive he had piloted numerous times over the Kansas division territory. We lament and regret the loss of a good, kindly man, and an excellent engineer.

Carroll Donlavy, night roundhouse clerk, and Mrs. Donlavy, have departed on an extended trip through the West.

It develops that the whole of the night clerical force has absconded—for Bill Exposito, caller from midnight to 8 a. m., has also temporarily abandoned his post of duty in order to "go places and see things." Understand Bill's ultimate destination is Bucyrus, Ill., where he will visit his sister.

T. J. Hopkinson, of Springfield, is filling the vacancy on the night clerk's job.

**FREIGHT ACCOUNTING DEPT.
AGENTS' ACCOUNTING DEPT.
ST. LOUIS, MO.**

ARTHUR STOEHR, Reporter

Mr. E. R. O. Mueller is with us again as head of the agents' accounts, vice E. V. Ashworth, transferred as assistant to Mr. Bernthal.

The entire freight accounting department extends its heartfelt sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Griffith, in their bereavement of the loss of their daughter, who passed away at Traverse City, Mich., on July 24th.

The agents' accounts department lost another of its pretty girls when Gertrude Schmalz left the service to take up general household duties in Paducah, Ky. She was presented with a lovely set of silver tableware, from the department. She was also the recipient of a shower gift from the girls of the department.

**MECHANICAL DEPARTMENT
LINDENWOOD, MO.**

CELESTINE DEVEREAUX, Reporter

Congratulations are in order for the Kirkpatrick family; a seven-pound baby boy arrived August 11th.

First Class Machinist Frank L. Burt was transferred to Chouteau Avenue roundhouse as night roundhouse foreman, effective August 1st.

Miss Celeste O'Neill of the store department, recently returned from a two-weeks' vacation.

Miss Pearl E. Ashlock of the car department visited her sister in Little Rock last month.

The entire dead work force was cut off from August 16th to August 31st, inclusive. Many of the employees took advantage of this opportunity to visit old friends and relatives in former places of residence.

Mr. A. Medley of the store department is recovering from a serious automobile accident.

Mr. P. Quinn is stationed at the Frisco Hospital, recovering from an operation.

"To the East" seems to be the magic password to vacation land for Frisco folks at Lindenwood. Mr. and Mrs. W. P. James visited the Falls, Washington and Baltimore. Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Ficke toured Washington, New York City, Niagara and Canada. Mr. and Mrs. Joe Forstner paid their tribute to the Falls and spent the remaining few days of their vacation with relatives in Cape Girardeau. Mr. G. Stein, too, visited the Falls and New York City.

Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Normington chose a visit with relatives in Houston, Texas. Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Mason

toured Missouri. Havana, Cuba, is the destination of Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Gibbons and daughter, Mary Ann. Mr. Roy Herolds is vacationing in Pensacola, Florida, with his father. Mr. Jake Krewson recently returned from St. James. Mr. Wm. Spreitzer prefers the Northwest and plans an extended visit in Spokane and "somewhere in Canada".

Mr. T. J. Doyle has invested in a brand-new Pontiac.

FUEL DEPARTMENT—ST. LOUIS

LOUISE S. GIBSON, Reporter

The regular monthly meeting of supervisors of fuel economy and fuel inspectors was held in Mr. Collett's office on August 3. Mr. Collett presided and the following were present: Messrs. J. E. Whalen, general fuel supervisor, F. X. Nachtman, mining engineer, G. L. Schneider, C. J. Beshears, G. T. Allison, W. A. Crawford, supervisors of fuel economy, D. B. Reed, H. T. Conley, P. V. Hammersly, fuel inspectors, H. E. Martin, chief clerk and L. A. Blevans, statistical clerk. Reports and suggestions on fuel economies were discussed.

Mr. C. E. Bissell, fuel inspector, Pittsburg, Kansas, was unable to attend the meeting on account of illness of Mrs. Bissell, however, we are glad to know that she is improving.

Mr. J. H. Curry, supervisor of fuel economy, St. Louis, spent his vacation at Montene, Ark., where his family is spending the summer.

Mr. M. H. Rodwig, fuel inspector, Henryetta, Okla., spent his vacation on a fishing trip in Arkansas.

Mr. C. J. Beshears, supervisor of fuel economy, Memphis, Tenn., is also on a fishing trip vacation.

Mr. Broe Mitchell, fuel accountant, was called to Springfield last week on account of the serious illness of his father. However, Mr. Mitchell has returned and reports his father's condition somewhat improved.

**DIVISION ACCOUNTANT'S OFFICE
SPRINGFIELD, MO.**

JULIA A. GIMBEL, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Abernathy and sons, Elmo and Norman, spent two weeks in Michigan during the month of August.

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Regina James, stenographer in the division engineer's office, spent a week in New Albany, Indiana and Louisville, Ky.

Mrs. C. M. Wilson and daughter, Nana Mae, enjoyed a five weeks' vacation in Fairmount, West Virginia.

N. H. Kruse, roadmaster, spent his two week's vacation in Swedborg, St. James and St. Louis.

Mrs. H. E. Boren spent a week in Kansas City during the past month, visiting relatives.

We wish to extend our sympathy to Mr. Ben D. Seaman, transitman, in the loss of his mother whose death occurred during the past month.

SPRINGFIELD GEN. STORE ROOM

BERTHA V. REED, Reporter

Claude Tuck, checker, is certainly proud of the new bungalow he is erecting at 820 W. Atlantic street, this city.

A little son, Merlin Ross, has arrived to make his home with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Hutsell, at 1914 N. Rogers.

One of the largest ball games of the season took place Tuesday afternoon, August 9, at five o'clock at Drury College campus between the transportation department employes and store department employes.

The score was 10 to 7 in favor of the store department.

Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Gates, died in a local hospital July 13. Mrs. Gates was the mother of Geo. Gates, trucker, and mother-in-law of W. D. Price, stock man at general store. Sympathy is extended to the bereaved.

Mrs. A. M. Click, daughter Marian, son Francis, wife and children of A. M. Click, stock man, are at the present time visiting in Portsmouth and Norfolk, Va. Mr. Click will join his family, in a few days, at Norfolk and will then visit in Jacksonville, St. Augustine, Pensacola, Fla., and Birmingham, Ala., before returning to their home in Springfield.

Mrs. Ethel White, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. F. M. Bishop, wife of stock man, has returned to her home in New York City. Mrs. Bishop accompanied her sister as far as St. Louis on her return trip home.

D. R. Case, stock man, spent his vacation on the roof of his home, tacking on 11,500 shingles.

Dorothy Adamson, stenographer in lumber office, has returned from a vacation spent at Glacier National Park, Seattle, Wash., Portland, Oregon and San Francisco.

Gid Garrett, employed in lumber yard, is absent from work account of illness.

J. G. Hembree, employed in lumber yard, spent a few days recently in Kansas City.

Velma Martin, stenographer in lumber office, has returned from a vacation spent at Denver, Colo., Colorado

Spring, Wichita Falls and Bonham, Texas.

Sally Sharp, daughter of T. A. Sharp, checker in lumber yard, has returned from Estes Park, Colo., where she was sent by Draughn's Business College as a delegate to the annual conference at that place.

L. B. Pechner, general lumber foreman, spent part of his vacation at home keeping house and taking care of Mrs. Pechner, who has been ill for several days. It is reported that Mrs. Pechner's condition is improving, for which we are glad.

GENERAL STOREKEEPER'S OFFICE—SPRINGFIELD

STELLA COMEGYS, Reporter

Mr. D. E. Baker visited Colorado Springs and Denver on his vacation.

Charles (Butch) Gustin spent his vacation fishing and swimming at Lindendure.

Belton Hembree reports that most of his time for a week was spent in the dentist's office.

Tom Musgrave spent a few days of his vacation in Memphis.

Ed. Burdette and family spent part of their vacation in Enid and surrounding country.

George Wood visited for two weeks in Spokane, Wash., and a number of other cities in Washington and Idaho.

L. A. Utley went to Oklahoma City to visit his mother two or three days, and the balance of his vacation was spent at home.

We are glad to report that Alice Edmondson is back to work after a four month's absence on account of sickness.

The girls of the office had a spread August 4th. We had everything good to eat—lemonade and everything. We had as our guest Maude Bedell, who has been off work account of sickness for a number of months.

Homer Weber and family took a car trip to Eureka Springs, Ark., and returned via Hollister and Branson.

OFFICE SUPERINTENDENT OF TERMINALS SPRINGFIELD, MO.

NORMAN HINDS, Reporter

Mrs. O. L. Reynolds, wife of Switchman O. L. Reynolds, is dangerously ill at the present time. A quick and complete recovery is hoped for by every one.

We regret to announce the death of Dr. J. T. Bruton, father of O. W. Bruton, superintendent of terminals. Dr. Bruton died August 12th, less than three weeks after the annual Bruton family reunion, which was held July 24th, in honor of Dr. Bruton's 95th birthday. Dr. Bruton was probably the most widely known physician in

the Southwest and he will be missed by his relatives and many friends.

Charles Wasson spent a month touring the Yellowstone Park region.

Gerald Viggers, formerly 4 p. m. bill clerk in this office, recently bid in the position of car clerk in the freight office.

Frank Mills and George McKeon are now riding instead of walking, both having purchased Fords.

L. P. Lavelle, assistant general yardmaster and his bride spent their honeymoon visiting Pacific Coast points.

W. L. Turrentine has transferred to Springfield terminal as a switchman. Mr. Turrentine formerly was a brakeman on the Eastern Division.

J. A. McKeon, assistant night yardmaster, enjoyed a vacation in Detroit.

J. L. Johns, weighmaster, returned from White River after a ten day fishing trip.

John Summers, secretary to superintendent of terminals, had a great time on his vacation, which was spent in Detroit, Mich.

Some excitement was created on August 5th, when the Old Ozark Hotel building, one of the land marks of the north side, was practically destroyed by fire. The old structure which once housed the Springfield Frisco General Offices had been used as a factory building.

MECHANICAL DEPT. NEWS SPRINGFIELD, MO.

ALTA NORTHCUTT, Reporter

J. E. Potts, chief clerk, spent his vacation in Galveston, Texas.

George F. McKenna, secretary to H. L. Worman, is spending his vacation at home this year.

Herbert Ramey is the proud possessor of a wonderful baby girl. Her name is Dede Jo.

W. A. Primm is taking a vacation. He will return in time to get out the annual budget.

Eunice Morrow, accompanied by Irene Boren of Mr. Doggrell's office, visited Niagara Falls, Toronto, and then took a trip to Thousand Islands, and down the St. Lawrence to Montreal on their vacation.

Hazel Clark spent her vacation in St. Louis and Chicago.

Betty Blake has just returned from a two week's vacation spent with home folks in Stockton, Missouri.

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F. M. Ferbrache is back after a two week's vacation spent at home. He did visit relatives in Tulsa and Kansas City, however.

If you are planning an extended trip and want to make your vacation last just as long as possible, see Blanche Rhodes in the drafting department. She can tell you how to make Chicago, Minneapolis, St. Paul, Seattle, Portland, San Francisco and Salt Lake City as well as spend some time in the hospital and at the oculist's office having your glasses refitted, all within two weeks—plus a few days extra.

SIGNAL DEPARTMENT SPRINGFIELD, MO.

MATILDA C. HOFFMAN, Reporter

Maintainer L. L. Owen and family of Vinita started on a motor trip in their new Chevrolet sedan last week to visit Mr. Owen's mother and father at Port Clinton, Ohio. They stopped at Springfield enroute for a short visit with L. E. Owen and family.

Mr. R. L. Troth spent last week end visiting old friends at Topeka, Kans.

Mrs. D. A. Ball and son Jimmie are visiting in Tulsa and Claremore. They expect to attend the Claremore Rodeo and hope to see their old townsman, Mr. Will Rogers.

Assistant Engineer Barron and wife have been entertaining Mrs. Barron's sister, also her brother and family of Jasper, Ala. Mrs. Barron returned with them for a short visit in Jasper. Carl Thompson and family are entertaining relatives from Oklahoma.

Mrs. L. E. Owen recently visited her mother in McKinney, Tex., and motored back to Springfield in a sport model Cadillac.

P. B. X. OFFICE, FT. SCOTT, KANS.

MISS ALICE HOGAN, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. Frank McCann and small daughter Clara Jane spent some time latter part of July in Chicago.

Lloyd (Buck) Gardner, tracer clerk at Fort Scott has returned to his duties after several days absence on account of an attack of tonsillitis.

B. H. Terrel, agent at Garland who has been seriously ill at Mercy hospital in Fort Scott is reported much improved. B. H. Carter has been acting as relief agent there.

Miss Kate Waldelich, of O. X. office has returned to her duties as first trick telegraph operator, after a vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Barr, and family, spent their vacation at Raton, New Mexico, visiting Mr. Barr's brother.

H. M. Marshall, dispatcher at Fort Scott, has returned from Cambridge, Ohio, where he was called by the death of a brother.

R. B. Butler, Supt. at Memphis, spent a few days of his vacation visiting friends and relatives at Fort Scott.

Rex Batterton, Dispatcher, now located at Neodesha, recently spent a few days visiting the Fort Scott office.

Mrs. W. H. Bevans, who has been in the Fort Scott hospital for the last four weeks is so much improved, and able to be up some. She expects to soon be able to return to her apartment.

Mrs. Walter Roberts and daughter, Marguerite, of Muskogee have been in Fort Scott for a few weeks with Mrs. Roberts' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bevans.

Thos. Keating, agent at South Greenfield, Mo., spent a two weeks' vacation at home of his parents, in Fulton, Kans. F. M. Holder has been working as relief agent during his absence.

P. B. X. OFFICE—SAPULPA, OKLA.

GRAYCE SANDERSON, Reporter

We regret very much to report the

death of Mrs. R. E. Leach, wife of 691 clerk in Trainmaster Rudd's office. Mrs. Leach is survived by her husband and two small children. We extend to the bereaved ones our heartfelt sympathy.

Miss Irma Browne, Assistant Superintendent's Clerk left August 2nd for an extended trip to points in Texas.

Mr. C. A. Jones of Springfield, Mo., is relieving Miss Brown while on her vacation.

We are glad to have Mr. Bolling, car distributor, back with us after an extended vacation.

Mr. A. H. Farrell, train dispatcher on the east end is back with us after having been away for five or six months.

The epidemic has claimed another victim. We understand Mr. Joe Robson operator, who bumped in on 2nd at XY is bringing with him a bride. Congratulations.

Miss Lois Morris will be leaving soon for points in California where she will spend a month's vacation.

Raymond Rice, messenger, has resigned his position in "X" office, having taken a job as 2nd trick caller at yard office.

Mrs. W. M. Fitch, wife of ticket agent was called to Madill account illness of her father.

PASSENGER ACCOUNTING DEPT. ST. LOUIS, MO.

ESTELLE HILTON, Reporter

John C. Starkey, auditor of passenger accounts has been re-appointed for a term of three years to serve on passenger committee of Railway Accounting Officers Association.

Jas. R. Murray spent his vacation on Ryner's Ranch, situated near Birch Tree, Ark.

L. H. Butts spent his vacation at his home in Wright City, Mo.

J. C. Starkey, wife and daughter, spent the week end July 29-30, fishing.

Viola Zykan spent one week of her vacation visiting relatives and friends in Alton, Ill.

Eleanor Huske is spending her vacation in Colorado Springs.

Melvin Eckles attended the De Molay Conclave held in Joplin, Mo., July 21 to 23 inclusive.

Victoria Matrose was called to Chicago recently on account of serious illness of her sister.

Estelle Hilton spent a few days of her vacation in Tulsa, Okla.

Elmer Shumacher spent his vacation with his father and mother on a camping trip through Southern Illinois and Missouri.

After an extended leave of absence Miss Jeanette Tanquary has resigned from Frisco service to remain in California on account of her health.

Our Girls' Club is losing a member, and our department a clerk, in the resignation of Miss Augusta Reigle, who is leaving us to dance with Murrays' Musical Fete.

"SP" OFFICE—SPRINGFIELD, MO.

G. C. VERMILLION, Reporter

Operator Bunselmeyer has assumed duties at Republic after spending a thirty day vacation.

Second trick Operator Brown, Globe, enjoyed a two days' fishing trip. He was relieved by Operator Schroff.

Operator L. J. Wilson and Miss Marie Buchanan, of Springfield, Mo., were united in marriage August tenth. We wish the happy couple much happiness and success.

Operator Reed and wife are visiting in Springfield this week.

Third Trick Operator Wilson, NY office Monett, was off from duty several days trying out his new Ford roadster.

The bumping question has come up again after being quiet for several

months. All starting by abolishing second and third trick Stanton, third trick Leasburg, second trick Franks and first trick Marionville. No one has placed their bump yet except Stephens who displaced Reed, who was on third trick Southeastern Junction and Edmondson, who displaced Paulsell on third at that station; Christie, who had second at Stanton, displaced Gaddy, on second at St. Clair.

Operators Reed, Paulsell, Dunnegan, Christopher and Gaddy have not made it known just where they will go.

F. L. & D. CLAIM DEPARTMENT SPRINGFIELD, MO.

CHARLENE WILLARD, Reporter

Miss Mary Lohmeyer of the O. S. & D. department returned to work August 15th, after having enjoyed a two weeks' vacation in Portland, Oregon.

Mrs. Carrie Livingston, file clerk, is touring Colorado and Utah, accompanied by her mother.

Sincere sympathy is extended to Mr. and Mrs. V. Anderson on the occasion of the death of Mrs. Anderson's father, Mr. John N. Murl, on August 9th.

Miss Nettie Sartori is spending a two weeks' vacation in Denver, Colo., visiting her brother.

Miss Gertrude Whittaker, dictaphone operator, is vacationing in St. Paul, Minn., and Seattle, Wash.

Miss Cleo Pierce, dictaphone operator, has returned from a very enjoyable vacation spent in Kansas City, St. Joe and other towns.

Miss Marjorie Risser of the O. S. & D. department, spent the week of August 22nd visiting her brother in Tulsa, Okla.

Mrs. R. E. Thurston of Oklahoma City, formerly Mary Weddell, employed in this office during the years 1925 and 1926, visited us during the month of August.

Harold Wilkes, claim investigator, and family motored to Kansas City, St. Joe and other Northwestern cities during the month of August.

Miss Clara Ermes, supervisor typing and filing departments, enjoyed a two weeks' vacation in Seattle, Wash., Van Couver and Victoria.

W. N. Doss, claim investigator, is preparing for winter. A building permit has been issued to him to make some additions on his bungalow at Monticello Street. Incidentally we might mention that "Tubby" is very ambitious in that he intends to dig his own basement.

Miss Virginia Hassler returned the latter part of the month from a delightful vacation in Pine Bluff, Ark., where she visited Mrs. B. C. McDonald, formerly Irene Cornwall of the statistical department.

C. E. Martin, claim investigator, spent his vacation in Enid, Okla. His family accompanied him on the trip.

OFFICE OPERATING DEPARTMENT STATISTICIAN SPRINGFIELD, MO.

MARY PROPHET, Reporter

Did some one mention Sparklers? Helen Motz came to work the other morning wearing a good looking diamond ring.

Irma McMillan worked a few days in Sapulpa while one of the clerks was taking a vacation.

Dorothy Leake, who resigned August first, was the honor guest at a farewell party given at the home of Natalie Mayer. Dorothy was presented with a friendship circle pin as a remembrance from the office bunch.

Thelma Smith spent her vacation at home and in St. Louis.

We will wish that we might belong to the A. O. M. Club when we hear of the good times that Reva Crane, Natalie Mayer, Marguerite O'Brien and Neta Mooney had entertaining their small nephews.

We hope to see Helen Yakey back at work soon. Helen has been off on account of illness.

DISBURSEMENTS DEPARTMENT ST. LOUIS, MO.

O. BOSCHE, Reporter

John Kinworthy and Geraldine Gebhardt were married July 23. They spent their honeymoon in Yellowstone National Park.

After an absence of almost three months, Catherine Gilbone has again reported for work.

A good time was had by all who attended the B. A. R. E. picnic, August 8. Jim McAuliffe was given the task of taking care of the ladies during the lotto.

Jack Perrin spent several days of his vacation at Boonville, Mo.

The Rocky Mountain National Park, Colo., is the scene of Virginia Manning and Margaret Bruemmer's vacation.

J. E. Chenat and Hy. Goupe are back on the job after a vacation in California and the Grand Canyon.

It takes a mighty speedy girl to operate two comptometers at the same time. The other day Virg Manning left on her vacation and, as we were rather busy at the time, Jule Kitts decided to do her own work and Virg's, too, so the only thing for her to do was operate two machines at one time.

The season for hay fever is here. Emma Albers is having a terrible time operating her comptometer and taking care of her hay fever at the same time.

George Bullerdick and wife left on August 27 for San Francisco, Los Angeles, San Diego and the Grand Canyon.

OFFICE OF CAR ACCOUNTANT SPRINGFIELD, MO.

MARIE ARNOLD, Reporter

"Our Gang" has spent an altogether enjoyable month on vacation in various parts of the country, but all have decided that, "East or West, Home is Best".

Aileen and Marjorie Renshaw took their vacation before the flood waters fell, so had a good time in Jerome, shopped in St. Louis and visited relatives in Cross Timbers.

Irene Boren saw much water, but from the deck of a boat, going via water from Lewiston, N. Y., to Montreal and returning by rail through New York State.

Mrs. Elizabeth Bosley and daughter went in the opposite direction to Corvallis, Oregon, to visit relatives.

Mable Stiver was called to Palatine Bridge, N. Y., on account of the serious, sudden illness of an aunt, but is back again and the aunt is much improved.

Mildred Truman left for Yellowstone Park just when the western roads began to detour account high water and washouts. Last word from her stated they arrived in Denver six hours late, and just 45 minutes too late to catch the train for the Park.

Blanche Bramhall visited Pearl Arthur-Olson, formerly of this office, in Muskegon, going from there to Detroit and Toronto, and visiting her sister in Cleveland.

Beatrice Arnold is visiting in Arizona and enjoying camping on the Indian Reservation and trips into the mountains.

Nelle Latham spent a week in Hilliards, Ohio, or rather that part of the week during which she was not waiting half days for train connections.

While all of these were away on pleasure jaunts, misfortune struck some of those at home, Roseltha Perry being the first to suffer, being away

from the office more than a week account of illness.

Miss Mary Welch's mother has been seriously ill as the result of a fall, and while she is much better, is still in a critical condition. Our best wishes go to Miss Welch for her speedy recovery.

Zella Shawley's mother was confined to the hospital for some time for a severe operation, but is now able to be at home.

Undaunted by all this, Myrtle Miller and Marguerite Lulal are leaving for Colorado and the Black Hills, but at the last minute heard that the President would not be there to welcome them, as he was leaving on a pleasure trip to the Yellowstone.

TELEGRAPH DEPARTMENT

SPRINGFIELD, MO.

O. L. OUSLEY, Reporter

Miss Mildred LeBolt, secretary, spent a week in Little Rock during latter part of July.

Chief Clerk W. C. Rogers and wife are spending a short vacation in New York.

Operator D. A. Flaherty is visiting relatives in California.

General Foreman Musgrave and wife motored to St. Louis on a five-days vacation first of the month.

Frank Feyen has resumed as clerk in the relay office after having spent several weeks in Mr. Doggrell's office doing relief work.

Miss Kate McGrath, PBX operator, has returned to work after a month's vacation, most of which was spent in Tulsa.

Division Lineman Wolfe of Tallihina has purchased a new Chevrolet.

Miss Lois Morris, PBX operator, Tulsa, is off account of sickness.

Misses Ethel Holland and Maude Gorsuch spent a week in Chicago recently.

H. L. Mattingly is relieving messenger Clarence Weakley in the Fort Smith telegraph office, while Weakley is attending C. M. T. C. Clarence expects to return with a commission as Second Lieutenant.

Miss Irene Overstreet, chief telephone operator, St. Louis, is vacationing in Seattle, Washington. She is being relieved by Miss Rose Benard.

Floating Gang Foreman W. E. Wall was called to Creal Springs, Ills., August 17, account serious illness of his mother.

R. C. Yancey relieved division linemen Harkins at Jasper and Clugey at Jonesboro this month.

Messengers Virgil Duvall and Elmer Sanders visited in St. Louis August 14.

A. T. Thorson, manager and wire chief, Fort Smith resumed work August 8 after a most enjoyable vacation in Detroit and Niagara Falls.

This department extends sympathy to Messrs. E. N. and M. H. Wood, division linemen, whose mother died in Olathe, Kansas, August 16.

Mrs. C. E. Robertson, wife of Lineman Robertson, is visiting relatives in Ste. Genevieve.

Mrs. E. D. McGuire, wife of Telephone Maintainer McGuire, has recently returned from a seven week's trip thru the west.

Mrs. J. R. Moore, wife of Telephone Inspector Moore, left August 15, for an extensive trip thru California, Oregon and Washington.

TELEGRAPH GANG— MADILL, OKLAHOMA

MARSHALL WILSON, Reporter

This gang has just completed our old

job on the main line between Sapulpa and Sherman. We are now working on the central division between Madill and Ardmore. When we finish this job, we will start work between Madill and Hugo.

Foreman E. S. Harris was married July 30, to Miss Annice Hardin, of Roff, Okla. All the boys in this gang wish them much happiness.

Lineman Fay Coble was called home August 5, account of sickness of his father.

Linemen Alsip and McKinney are taking great interest in playing baseball here in Madill.

J. M. Saxon, lineman, has just returned from a 30-day vacation, spent with his parents in Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Thompson, cooks, have recently returned from a vacation spent in Missouri and Arkansas. We were all glad to have them back. No serious accidents this month.

TELEGRAPH GANG WINFIELD, ALA.

JOHN ATKINSON, Reporter

This gang is experiencing some real hot weather. We have completed the last mile in the swamps and have reached the hills. It seems like old times to hear the hammers ring on the steel drills. So far, we have had only 5 or 6 holes to drill and shoot, but we have plenty of rock ahead of us. We only lack 75 miles of having this estimate completed.

John Henry, groundman, spent a few days at his home in Marshfield, the first of the month.

Clinton Jaudon, groundman, was called to Amory recently, where his wife underwent a successful operation for appendicitis.

Our gang has been reduced to 11 men. We now have one assistant foreman, four linemen and six groundmen.

Tom Crawford, groundman, transferred back to this gang the first of August.

S. M. Howard and Arthur Worthy attended a family reunion at Nettleton, Miss., this month.

No accidents in our gang, so far, this year.

TELEGRAPH GANG ROGERS, ARK.

E. L. BRAY, Reporter

We have changed our camping ground again. We moved to Rogers, August 3. Our P. O. address is Box 205, Rogers, Ark.

Account of reduction in the force, we lost three men from our gang, August 8. They were Lineman Bumgarner and Groundmen Pentzer and Keller. We will have to find a new motor car driver, now that Pentzer is gone. He filled that position since Shelby Stratton deserted us over a month ago.

Groundman Ernest McInturff transferred to this gang July 11, from Foreman Edwards' gang in Alabama.

Lineman P. W. Mead is away from the gang quite a bit of the time lately, doing extra division work. He relieved Division Lineman S. L. Canady at Fayetteville, the latter part of July and at present is at Valley Park, relieving Division Lineman Nelson.

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