

FIVE TRAFFIC OFFICERS PROMOTED

Buchanan, McDonough, Springer, Thorburn and Crowe to New Positions May 15th.

A NNOUNCEMENT of five important changes in the personnel of the traffic department was made May 15, from the St. Louis general offices.

Mr. R. E. Buchanan, executive general agent at Memphis, Tenn., has been promoted to assistant traffic manager with headquarters at Pensacola, Fla.

Mr. D. F. McDonough, division freight agent at Birmingham, Ala., becomes executive general agent at Memphis.

Mr. Chas. Thorburn, traffic manager of the M. S. B. & P. Railway at Pensacola, was appointed general agent, freight department, Atlanta, Ga.

Mr. J. E. Springer, whom Mr. Thorburn relieved, was appointed division freight agent at Birmingham.

Mr. W. H. Crowe, traveling freight agent at Memphis, was appointed division freight agent, with headquarters at Pensacola, Fla., reporting to Mr. R. E. Buchanan.

Mr. Buchanan is a native of Okolona, Miss., and entered the service of the Frisco July, 1897, at Memphis, Tenn., in the capacity of telegraph messenger. He worked in various capacities from yard clerk in freight yard through the local office and was advanced to chief bill clerk. He was later made chief clerk to the contracting freight agent, and then advanced to soliciting freight agent, and traveling freight agent and when the Frisco and Rock Island consolidated, he was made traveling freight agent for both

east of Memphis were put in the southeastern region. He was then made division freight agent and also held the position of southern export agent during the entire period of Federal Control and was made executive general agent in 1922.

Mr. D. F. McDonough was born in Syracuse, N. Y., and entered the service of the old K. C. M. & B. Railroad at Birmingham, on December 11, 1895. He was promoted to traveling freight agent Atlanta, Ga., January 1, 1921; commercial agent, Birmingham, in 1907; division freight agent at Birmingham, 1910; inspector of transportation, Springfield, February, 1918; division freight agent, Joplin, Mo., March 1, 1920, and division freight agent, Birmingham, July 1, 1920.

Chas. Thorburn is a native of Louisiana. He entered Frisco service in 1900 as a rodman in the engineering department and had become assistant engineer in 1917. He enlisted in May, 1917, in the 128th Field Artillery and was discharged in 1920 with the rank of captain of engineers. He saw service in France with the 35th division and after his return to America in September, 1919, was assigned to Mexican border duty with the 9th Mounted Engineers. He resumed his work with Frisco Lines as assistant engineer, following his army service, but transferred to the traffic department on November 1, 1925, as soliciting freight agent, a po-

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R. E. BUCHANAN



J. E. SPRINGER



CHAS. THORBURN



D. F. McDONOUGH

NEWS of the FRISCO CLUBS

Neodesha, Kan.

THE Frisco Employes' Club of Neodesha was host club at a banquet at Masonic Hall, May 8, to members of the Chamber of Commerce, the Rotary Club and the Lions Club and invited guests of all these organizations. The occasion was termed "Frisco Night" and the attendance was approximately 200 persons.

Frisco speakers included: J. E. Hutchison, vice-president, operation, and J. W. Nourse, general passenger agent, both of St. Louis, and W. F. Lilleston, Frisco attorney for Kansas.

Mr. Hutchison spoke on "Transportation Problems." He briefly reviewed transportation in America, and said that America had advanced rapidly because transportation always had been ahead of production and development. This situation he contrasted with the situations in China and Russia, where, he said, famine may be in one part and opulence in another.

Although not lamenting the coming of the motor car, Mr. Hutchison said that this competition of railroads should be made to bear its just share of building and maintaining the roads it uses. Often, he said, railroads must help to provide highways for their bus and truck competitors.

Speaking of decrease in passenger business of American railroads, Mr. Hutchison predicted that soon even the long distance passenger business will be snapped up by the airplanes. All these things, he said, are combining to make acute the problems faced by the railroads. He added that either the railroads must have equitable treatment at the hands of the public or soon, like the stage coach and the canal boat, they must fold up their tents and drop out of the picture. He closed by expressing his appreciation for Neodesha's loyalty to the Frisco.

Mr. Lilleston, Frisco attorney for Kansas, delivered a humorous address based on the adage that "There is nothing new under the sun." The veto power, the supreme court, the nullification of statute by judicial decision, the jury system, the eighteenth amendment and even the nineteenth, he asserted, represent no new thought.

Mr. Nourse acknowledged his introduction to the assemblage with remarks pertinent to the occasion and



Mr. E. E. Carlock, live wire president of the Frisco Employes' Club of Ft. Smith, entered the service of the Frisco on March 16, 1908, as agent at Perryville Junction, Mo. On December 22, 1912, Mr. Carlock was made assistant timekeeper at Chaffee and was promoted to head timekeeper and transferred to Ft. Smith, Ark., July 27, 1914. He held that position until all the timekeeping and accounting forces on the divisions were consolidated at Springfield on February 6, 1916. He worked at Springfield in the Bureau of Accounts until it was dissolved and he was sent back to Ft. Smith, January 25, 1918, as head timekeeper which position he now holds. Mr. Carlock has not missed a pay day in twenty years' service, and was elected first president of the Frisco Employes' Club of Ft. Smith, Ark.

commendatory to the Frisco Employes' Club of Neodesha.

Other out-of-town Frisco visitors were: H. E. Morris, assistant general freight and passenger agent, Wichita; C. S. Underwood, traveling freight and passenger agent, Wichita; R. H. Grimes, yardmaster, Wichita; D. E. Gelwix, division engineer, Fort Scott; J. B. Gilliam, general car foreman, Kansas City; J. O. Elliott, district claim agent, Joplin; C. R. Welch, ticket agent, Kansas City; B. Y. Morgan, roundhouse foreman, Wichita; A. C. Schermann, water service foreman, Cherryvale, Kans.; J. H. Watson, special agent, Cherryvale, Kans.; C. K. Bennett, agent, Fall River, Kans.; George Taaffee, agent, Cherry-

vale; F. L. Hamm, cashier, Cherryvale.

Out-of-town guests not with the Frisco included: Mr. Ellis, manager of the Fredonia Sash & Door Company, Fredonia, Kans.; C. S. McGinnis, president of the Sauer Milling Company, Cherryvale; W. H. Francis, manager of the United Clay Products Company, Cherryvale; Leslie Jackson, proprietor, Cherryvale Grain Company; Murray Diven, mayor of Cherryvale and proprietor of the Family Shoe Store there; James Lewis, manager of the Spradling Fruit and Produce Company, and D. W. McKinley, president of the People's Bank, Cherryvale.

E. E. Carter, division superintendent, Neodesha, was toastmaster for the banquet.

Considerable business was obtained by members of the Frisco Employes' Club of Neodesha during the month preceding its business meeting of May 3, it was reported at the latter meeting.

Some of this business was as follows: One railroad steam shovel, three cars of cattle, sixty-four cars of cattle, two cars of sash and door, thirty-two cars of cattle, half of inbound business of the Neodesha Daily Sun, ten cars of sand. During the month under consideration the Frisco handled out of Neodesha 602 cars of oil from one shipper.

At this meeting Hiram M. Cloud, dispatcher, was re-elected president of the club to serve until December, 1928, and A. A. Malmgren was elected secretary, succeeding C. C. Fulton, to serve until December, 1928. Mr. Malmgren also was given the title of treasurer.

The Frisco Employes' Club of Neodesha, Kan., held a box supper and square dance the night of April 19 at the American Legion Hall. Families and friends of members attended, also.

The program: Solo dance, Miss Mary Fisher; recitation, Jackie Williams; piano solo, Maxine Vanderhoff; reading, Miss Rena Mae Long; address, Z. B. Claypool, assistant director, accident prevention, Springfield, Mo. Another visitor was C. S. Underwood, traveling freight and passenger agent, Wichita, Kan.

F. S. Porter, engineer, auctioned the boxes of food. The music for the square dance was by Bill Dale



The photograph above was taken at the "Hickville" party of the Ft. Worth Frisco Club, May fifth. Costume prize winners were: Harry Grainger (top row, seventh from left); Mae Waltrip (second row, fifth from left), wearing dress seventy-five years old; Mrs. G. G. Beckley (immediately under light), wearing dress seventy-three years old, her mother's wedding dress.

and Jim Weldy. The square dance caused considerable amusement, especially to spectators, because half of those taking part were unfamiliar with square dancing and were coached by the other half.

Enid, Okla.

The Frisco men at and around Enid pull together harmoniously and cheerfully, said H. C. Conley, division freight agent, Oklahoma City, in his talk before the meeting of the Frisco Employes' Club of Enid, Okla., held April 18 in the office of S. J. Frazier, superintendent of the Western division, Enid. The attendance was fifty-six. J. J. Bernard, president, was in the chair.

There is not a man on the Frisco pay roll who can't do something to increase the earnings of the Frisco, Mr. Conley said. H. R. Vance, engineer, Enid, said that "we should use our efforts to see that the bus lines are put under the same regulations as the railroads."

A large number of traffic problems were discussed by the speakers who included: L. W. Price, division passenger agent, Oklahoma City; F. K. Shrock, agent, Carrier; F. C. Lea, agent, Goltry, Okla.; J. E. Kerr, agent, Clinton, Okla.; F. A. Connell, traveling freight agent, Tulsa; J. Frank Ferguson, general car foreman, Enid, Okla.; Forrest Larkin, son of agent, Fairmont, Okla.; T. L. Bentley, car inspector, Enid; P. J. Beasley, engineer, Enid; J. M. Walker, division storekeeper, Enid; J. W. Maring, agent, Enid; C. D. Brewer, dispatcher, Enid; W. E. Davis, section foreman, Carrier, Okla.; James Simms, section foreman, Goltry, Okla.; George Franks, machinist, Enid; W. V. Wilkinson, machinist, Enid; A. L. Fisher, division engineer, Enid; J. B. Rey-

nolds, chief clerk to agent, Enid; W. N. Patterson and T. F. Jones, roadmasters, Enid; W. J. Foley, master mechanic, Enid; F. C. Gow, assistant superintendent, Enid; D. E. Callahan, dispatcher, Enid; Oscar W. Ervin, trainmaster, Kansas City, Mexico & Orient Railroad, San Angelo, Tex., formerly with the Frisco, a visitor.

Thayer, Mo.

The Frisco Employes' Club of Thayer, Mo., gave a dance in the Safety First Hall, May 4. The attendance was 75 persons.

This club has planned to hold a dance each month and is planning to hold a business session before each dance.

Visitors at the dance, May 4, included: R. B. Butler, superintendent of the Southern division, Memphis; B. G. Gamble, master mechanic, Memphis; E. A. Teed, assistant superintendent, Amory, Miss., and R. Padell, clerk to Mr. Butler.

Tulsa, Okla.

At the invitation of the Frisco Club of Sapulpa the Frisco Employes' Club of Tulsa, at its business meeting, April 19, formed a committee to work with a similar recently-appointed committee of the Sapulpa club in the planning of a joint picnic of these two clubs, to be held early this summer.

Fay Warren, assistant yardmaster and president of the Tulsa club, appointed the following committee to aid in arranging the joint picnic: W. P. Kent, station master, chairman; Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Dawson; R. B. Collins, J. C. Burnett and G. G. Harrison.

New business for the Frisco, it was announced, had been obtained by the following: G. R. Warren, assistant

yardmaster, several cars of steel, both inbound and outbound; R. L. DeMoss, traffic tip which led to the routing of a carnival company from Ft. Smith to Tulsa.

The following committee was appointed to draw up by-laws for the club: J. C. Burnett, engineer, chairman; O. L. Young, superintendent of terminals, and R. L. Schoeneberg, zone auditor.

The club voted to hold its monthly meetings on the second Monday of each month in the hall used by Local 17, Frisco Association of Metal Crafts and Car Department Employes. S. S. Wilder, coach carpenter, and a member of Local 17, earlier in the meeting had invited the Frisco Employes' Club of Tulsa to use the association's hall and his offer was accepted and the club's regular meeting date set so as not to conflict with the dates of Local 17's meetings. The hall is the Knights of Pythias Hall, on Seventeenth Street, West Tulsa, near the Cameo Theatre. The club voted to express its thanks to Local 17 for the use by the club of the Local's hall.

Several members present offered to sing or play some musical instrument at the next meeting, May 14.

Ladies' Club of Tulsa, Okla.

The Frisco Ladies' Club of Tulsa held a luncheon at the Egyptian Tea Room, May 9. The attendance was thirty-four, among them Mrs. E. V. Malle, Pittsburg, Kan., who gave two readings.

Each member was given a "cup reading" after the luncheon.

This club, organized recently, is gaining in favor among the members, reports Miss Edna A. Wooden, the secretary, and at each meeting more interest and enthusiasm are manifested, she said.

The Frisco Ladies' Club of Tulsa gave its first entertainment, a carnival dance, at the Elks Club, May 2. The attendance was approximately 200 persons, among them several from out of town.

This was probably the last dance the club will give this season, but several picnics are being planned and will be held at the new park near Tulsa, which is nearing completion.

Ft. Worth, Texas

One of the most unique programs yet presented by the Ft. Worth Frisco Employees' Club, was enjoyed by more than three hundred employes, their families and friends, on the night of May 5.

The program was termed a "Hickville" skit, and old time costumes prevailed. Mrs. G. G. Beckley, wife of the claim agent at Ft. Worth was present, and wore a dress of brown and gold taffeta, which was seventy-three years old and was the wedding dress of her mother. The program consisted of three numbers, the first a reading by little Miss Jean Moore, daughter of W. O. Moore, president of the Ft. Worth club. Old time songs were presented by the Misses Leda Belle Durrett, Irene Ray and Ethel Freeman, accompanied by Miss Doris Rose Durrett. E. V. Maxfield, assistant claim agent, and a comedian of note, presented "Tony's Speech," which was enthusiastically received.

Prizes for the tackiest couple was awarded to Miss Mae Waltrip and Harry Granger.

Dancing followed the program, and punch was served during intermission.

Okeene, Okla.

Wiley Stanley, section foreman, president of the Frisco Employees' Club of Okeene, Okla., opened the meeting of the club, held April 30, by asking that all members co-operate to make the club one of the best on the Frisco. He outlined his policy of asking merchants whom he patronizes to have their groceries move into Okeene via Frisco. He asked each club member present not to be dilatory, but to keep in mind daily the

importance of getting more business for the Frisco.

Frank Scott, manager of the O. K. Transfer Company, who is a member of the club, said that in his opinion the business the Frisco was getting at Okeene was due largely to the courteous treatment afforded the public in general by all the employes of the Frisco there and the service which the public gets from the Frisco.

He cited that recently the Frisco delivered ten cars of combines and gave consignee from two to three spots daily until unloaded, which, Mr. Scott said, probably will result in the Frisco obtaining all this consignee's business. Each one present was given

if the employes would obtain this business it would speak in dollars to the Frisco.

Cape Girardeau, Mo.

Considerable business has been obtained recently by members of the Frisco Employees' Club of Cape Girardeau, the greater traffic committee of the club reported at the club's meeting, May 2. Fifteen members attended this meeting.

Reports were made of quick handling of cars for Cape Girardeau customers of the Frisco. A social hour followed.

Adoption of by-laws, the appointment of Robert Kammer as sergeant-at-arms and reports of traffic obtained by members constituted the principal business of the meeting of the Frisco Employees' Club of Cape Girardeau, Mo., held April 18 in the permanent headquarters of the club, in the Knights of Columbus Hall. Thirteen members of the club were present.

The greater traffic committee of the club reported that traffic had been obtained by the following members of the club: Robert Kammer, one full fare and one half fare passenger tickets, Cape Girardeau to Chickasha, Okla., and five cars of contractor's equipment, Cape Girardeau to Streator, Ill., via St. Louis; A. Foreman, two tickets Cape Girardeau to St. Louis and return from parties who had planned to take a bus. William Rueskamp

presented card tricks, which were well received. The club members are much pleased with their permanent club rooms and predicted a bright future for the club.

Sapulpa, Okla.

Adoption of by-laws was the principal business handled by the Frisco Employees' Club of Sapulpa, Okla., at the regular meeting, April 16, at the Y. M. C. A. The attendance was 24, including these visitors: Miss Edna Wooden, secretary of the Ladies' Club of Tulsa; O. L. Young, superintendent of terminals; F. A. Connell, soliciting freight agent, and Mr. Wasson, manager of the Tulsa Amusement Company, all of Tulsa.



an opportunity to say something.

R. W. Boone, agent at Okeene and secretary of the club, talked on traffic solicitation and said that he was sure great help had been afforded him in obtaining business by each employe at Okeene and he urged each man on the pay roll at Okeene to remember that he was a solicitor and that each such man never should pass up an opportunity to say something for the Frisco. He said that the harvest season is near at hand, when there will be quite an increase in orders placed by local merchants for harvest supplies and that each Frisco employe should do his share in getting the merchants to ship in these supplies via Frisco. He added that

One of the provisions of the by-laws is that "Tickets shall be sold to banquets and entertainments at an amount sufficient to cover (prorate) entire expense of each banquet and entertainment."

At the suggestion of D. F. Smith, ticket clerk an athletic committee was authorized by the president, who appointed Mr. Smith chairman and the latter appointed as the other members D. J. Dean, conductor, and R. E. Pipkin, division accountant. This committee announced at the meeting that its prospective baseball team will challenge this season all other baseball teams on Frisco Lines.

Speakers included Mr. Wasson, who said the club could hold free of charge a picnic at the picnic grounds of his amusement park; Mr. Connell, who spoke of traffic solicitation, and Miss Wooden, who invited the Sapulpa club to attend the dance planned by the Ladies' Club of Tulsa for May 2.

Okmulgee, Okla.

The Frisco Employees' Club of Okmulgee, Okla., held a bridge and dance party at the Hippodrome theatre ball room, May 1. The attendance was approximately 150 persons, including families of members and other friends of the Frisco.

Among the out-of-town guests were: O. H. Reid, commercial agent, Tulsa; Fay Warren, president of the Frisco Employees' Club of Tulsa, and J. A. Hutchison, assistant division superintendent, Sapulpa.

Music was furnished by Wells Eight Harmoniators Orchestra. The refreshment committee served punch shortly before the party ended.

Ft. Smith, Ark.

Traffic solicitation was discussed by the greater traffic committee of the Frisco Employees' Club of Fort Smith, May 8. Report of pointers received from chairmen of the various committees was presented. The next meeting of this committee will be held June 12.

Ames, Okla.

L. B. Lindley, Frisco agent at Ames, Okla., spends much of his time after working hours uptown talking with consignees and shippers, he said at the meeting of the Frisco Employees' Club of Ames, held April 28. He asks merchants when he spends a dollar with them to try to give a dime back to the Frisco in freight revenue. The attendance was six.

Other speakers at the meeting were: C. Laubhan, section foreman, president of the club; John Hessington, section laborer; Albert Weidner, section laborer; Gus. Laubhan, high school student; Frank Gibson, a drayman, who said that he is doing everything he can to try to obtain more

NO INJURIES ON NORTHERN!

"The Northern division made a remarkable record from February 24 to April 16 as there was not a single report of personal injuries during the entire time" writes Mr. H. W. Hudgen, director of accident prevention. This record was made with approximately 800 men working.

"In checking back our records as far as July 1, 1925, or as far as the present division records are available, we find this to be a record-breaker, as no entire operating division has gone a whole month without one or more personal injuries in the maintenance of way department," he continues.

The information was passed on to President Kurn and he in turn thanked the officers of the Northern division for the record made.

business for the Frisco, adding that the more business he gets for the Frisco the more business he has for himself.

Memphis, Tenn.

The Frisco Employees' Club of Memphis, Tenn., held a dance and bunco party, April 17, which was attended by approximately 400 persons.

One of the guests was F. H. Shaffer, general manager of the St. Louis-San Francisco Railway Company, Springfield, Mo. Many local officials of the Frisco attended.

Chaffee, Mo.

The Frisco Employees' Club of Chaffee, Mo., has a baseball team and has been instrumental in organizing a "Twilight League," and has \$321 in its treasury, most of which will be used to finance its baseball club, it was announced at the club's meeting held at Odd Fellows Hall, the regular meeting place, May 3.

The club voted to donate \$30 to the upkeep of the tennis courts in the general office building yard at Chaffee.

Four teams are in the "Twilight League": Roundhouse and car department employes, general office employes, merchants, town boys. Two games are played each week, on Tuesdays and Thursdays, the games being called at 5:15 P. M. Seven innings are played. After the business session Mrs. E. Riemer played piano selections for a dance. The attendance was thirty-eight persons.

Oklahoma City, Okla.

The reading of letters from C. T. Mason, superintendent of the Southwestern division, Sapulpa, in which he commended a number of employes for

good work in traffic solicitation, a talk by W. L. Huggins, Jr., editor *Frisco Employes' Magazine*, St. Louis, on the history and future of the Frisco employes' club movement, decision to hold the next four monthly meetings at Belle Isle Park Hall, and dancing comprised the meeting of the Frisco Employes' Club of Oklahoma City, held April 26 at Bohemian Hall.

The attendance was 220, including officers, and wives, children and friends of members of the club.

Mr. Huggins said that a little more than a year ago, just before the Oklahoma City Club was organized, there were but three clubs, Kansas City, Fort Scott and Memphis. Now, he said, there are fifty-one clubs (fifty-two at the time this *Magazine* went to press), with a total membership of approximately three-fourths of the Frisco employes. Mr. Huggins complimented the Oklahoma City Club on its progress since its organization.

Gene Peach, of the Oklahoman-Times, Oklahoma City, was a guest and in a short talk complimented the Frisco.

At the close of the business session Miss Hazel McMains sang several popular songs. Then came dancing, to music by the "Southern Serenaders."

Sunnyland Club

Determined to make the Sunnyland Club, Kansas City, Mo., a factor to be reckoned with among the fifty-three Frisco employes' clubs on Frisco Lines, a group of Kansas City employes of the Company met the evening of May 4, elected temporary officers and discussed the types of business and social meetings which were thought would be most advantageous, membership dues, formation of a "Sunnyland Orchestra," and drafting of by-laws. Final reorganization was scheduled for an unset date the latter part of May, when this number of *The Frisco Employes' Magazine* was on the press.

The temporary officers elected were: J. Burch, general yardmaster, president; H. J. Hoke, chief clerk to the superintendent of terminals, secretary; E. C. Lindeman, cashier, treasurer; J. R. Needham, chief clerk, zone bureau, first vice-president; L. J. Leigh, assistant general car foreman, second vice-president; R. Salsman, machinist, third vice-president. The temporary executive committee and advisory board was elected as follows: J. M. Flanigan, superintendent of terminals; A. C. DeFries, division storekeeper; J. R. Coulter, assistant executive general agent; J. B. Gilliam, general car foreman; W. B. Berry; B. J. Gleason, general agent, and E. G. Baker, assistant general passenger agent.