

Earl Getchel was up on the "High Line" during the first half of April.

W. A. (Beagle) Marrs was called back to work for a few days during April, as was Henry Potter.

We are glad to see the B&B paint gangs back at work.

The writer and "Bud" Jones, B&B carpenter, made a short motor trip to Nevada, Mo., April 9 and 10.

The sympathy of the entire department is extended Arthur Buck and family in the recent loss of his father and brother, whose deaths occurred within two weeks.

## COACH YARD—KANSAS CITY, MO.

J. J. SULLIVAN, Reporter

On the new time card which took effect on March 29, train No. 107 was set back an hour and a half. This resulted in so much congestion in the coach yard around the hour of 8:00 a. m. that it was found necessary to store considerable of the extra passenger equipment over in the old south yard.

The fine spring weather is causing Tom Conway's feet to begin to itch for travel again, and most any noon he may be found pouring over numerous time tables planning his annual trip. Tom has traveled so much that it is getting hard for him to find a new place to visit.

Frank Hines recently signed up as security for a bosom friend on what he took to be a perfectly legal note for \$750.00, only to be informed on the following day that the bosom friend had left suddenly for a permanent residence in Alaska. This upset Frank considerably, but the next day when Ben Reaves presented a "Power of Attorney" document and requested Frank to make the payments to him, Frank was really perturbed. While it turned out to be a peach of an April Fool joke, most everybody in the coach yard is cured of signing notes.

Jimmy Edwards and his four sons comprise a bowling team, known as "The Flying Scotchmen," and on a recent morning Jimmy proudly displayed the sport page of a local newspaper in which his team was reported victorious over their rivals (by a narrow margin). Further investigation, however, revealed that the opposing team had consisted of five lady bowlers.

Miss Joe Ella Box, little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Box, has returned from a visit with her uncle and aunt, Dr. and Mrs. Box, of Springfield, Mo.

The recent death of Knute Rockne and seven others in the plane crash near Bazaar, Kan., further emphasizes the fact that railroad trains still furnish the safest mode of travel. On the very day of the famous football coach's death, his two older sons arrived in Kansas City from Coral Gables, Fla., on board our own Kansas City-Florida Special on time, and safe and sound.

## BACK SHOP NEWS

ALEX WATT and GORDON YOWELL, Reporters

At the regular apprentice meeting at the north shops, on April 8, Mr. Fred Rauch, apprentice instructor and draftsman, made an interesting lecture on "Counter Balancing Wheels."

E. B. Fisher, boilermaker, is on an extended trip to New York, New Jersey and Connecticut.

Claude Campbell, boilermaker, who had been laid off was called back to fill the vacancy of Mr. Fisher.

Toy E. Wilson, machinist third class, has been in Arizona the last three months regaining his health.

Luther Cage, machinist apprentice, who was recently transferred from the roundhouse has been welding in the blacksmith shop the last month.

Adam Boems, torch man in car yards, had his house completely de-

stroyed by fire March 18. He barely escaped with his life. The loss was partially covered by insurance.

Joe Frankie, of the car yards, spent Sunday, March 15, with his mother at Pierce City.

The son of Frank Sowards, of the north yards, was the victim of an abduction plot which was frustrated by Mr. Sowards, assisted by some of his neighbors.

The father of Ben Henderson, of the oil reclamation department, passed away March 22. The sympathy of the shop men was expressed in a beautiful floral offering.

Lon Vickers (colored, who for many years has been a faithful employe of the Frisco, died at the Springfield clinic April 9. Intestinal flu and pneumonia being the cause. A daughter, Mrs. Green, who nursed him, contracted the malady and died a few days later.

Mrs. Wm. Smith, wife of Wm. Smith, employe of the north car yards, died March 20. Death came almost instantly from a blood clot on the brain. Interment was made in the family cemetery about ten miles from Springfield.

Fred Caps, steel worker in the motor cars, has resigned job with the Frisco and with his family, moved to St. Joseph, Mo.

Frank Colvin, of the sheet metal department, who has been spending the winter months in Mountain Grove, was in town the last of March attending a meeting of the Elk lodge and incidentally renewing acquaintances in the shops.

Fred Hamilton, of the special equipment department, has moved his family to the country pending the re-opening of the shops at this place.

Arthur Barclay, car carpenter of the north car yards, is entertaining his parents and a brother for a few weeks.

Seven-year-old Delmar Underwood, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Underwood, 1918 Pierce street, sustained the loss of two fingers of his left hand when they were caught beneath the keen blade of an ax, as he was splitting kindling at his home. The two fingers were cleanly severed but the other fingers of the hand were uninjured. He was placed in Burge hospital under the care of Dr. Arthur Knapp.

## LOAL No. 24—AMORY, MISS.

R. F. DEES, Reporter

Boilermaker R. J. Sullivan has fully recovered from a severe cold.

Nelda Ruth, youngest daughter of Locomotive Inspector J. V. Adams, is rapidly recovering from an extended illness.

Raymond, Jr., eldest son of Pipeman R. F. Dees, suffered a broken arm but is back in school at this writing.

Roundhouse Foreman F. J. Garner was a delegate to the Grand Lodge, Royal Arch Masons of Mississippi, and reports a grand time.

Airman O. B. Holmquist is the dog fancier from these parts. Get your order in early for the bull pups are going fast.

Machinist Connie Gideon is working nights. Connie was formerly on the day supply job. Earl Thompson is on the day supply job.

Ye scribe had the pleasure of visiting in Pensacola, Fla. Our old Frisco has one of the most up-to-date coal tipples. Having had the privilege of boarding a steamer that was being coaled by tipple, want to say that we are getting business from that end of the road but there is always room for improvement. Let's get more.

## LOCAL No. 19—MEMPHIS, TENN.

LARRY V. GLASS, Reporter

Sure signs of spring; boys dressed in baseball uniforms, hearing a fish tale now and then, E. F. Tuck, general fore-

man, wearing a straw hat, and a case of spring fever here and there. No mistake spring is here.

W. J. Bell, machinist, has returned to work after being off several months with a serious operation.

C. C. Drashman, coach inspector, has been appointed coach foreman at St. Louis.

C. L. Moore, coach painter, is driving a new sport model Chevrolet coupe.

Geo. Berry has been off account death of relative.

We have not had an engine failure on the Southern division in the past sixty days. "Sounds Good."

Otto Kettman, machinist and division chairman, spent the 17th and 18th in Springfield on business for Local No. 19.

The old 2600 private car of S. J. Fraxier, superintendent of Southern division, has been getting an overhauling and a new paint job.

Ye scribe and wife are the fond parents of a baby girl, Mary Joyce, born March 16.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Ray Shepard a baby girl, Dorothy Ann, Born March 17.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. John Morgan, a son, April 7.

We put out two, class threes, and three class five repairs in March.

Mr. H. E. Burgess, general chairman for the F. A. M. C. & C. D. E., was a visitor at Yale, March 28. We are always glad to see you Mr. Burgess.

Mr. C. F. Sampson, of the Franklin Railway Supply Co., was the speaker at our regular night class in the assembly hall Wednesday, April 8. He gave us a wonderful explanation of the locomotive booster, and he has some very educational pictures of the locomotive booster. We all thank you Mr. Sampson.

## CAR DEPARTMENT—YALE, TENN.

A. R. SPRINGER, Reporter

Mr. Jack Thomas, triple rack man, has returned to work after a brief illness.

Mr. Claude E. King worked the triple rack job during Mr. Thomas' absence.

Mrs. Paul W. Pape, wife of steel car repairer, has returned from a visit with relatives in New Albany, Miss.

Mr. Clyde W. Kimbrough, car repairer, and Dr. Hendrix (Frisco doctor), have gone in partnership raising chickens and hogs. Dr. Hendrix placed 100 chickens and 12 head of hogs on Mr. Kimbrough's farm near White Haven. We wish them much success.

The Frisco baseball team played their first game Sunday, April 12, at Hodges field, score (Frisco) 1 vs. (All Stars) 3.

Our team has entered the M. A. A. league and will play at Hodges field every Sunday afternoon. Let's all go to every game and help them to come out on top at the end of the season. Season tickets can be bought for \$1.00 each. Games will be double-headers Saturday and Sunday, price for single afternoon 25 cents. Don't forget the time and the place every Sunday afternoon.

We are glad to report that several of the boys that have been off were called back April 1.

## RECLAMATION PLANT SPRINGFIELD, MO.

T. O. CHAPMAN, Reporter

James Adams, blacksmith foreman, is carrying a new Hamilton gold watch, it replacing another fine watch he was relieved of by hold-up men last winter.

Mr. Harrison, safety worker, was among us and held a meeting in the machine shop on April 3, thereby jogging our memory about working safely, and cautioning us to not become careless along our road of daily occupations.

Arthur Stewart and family had as guests over a recent week-end, their daughter, Hazel, and son-in-law, Robert F. Zolner, who is a dentist and has his office and residence at Rolla, Mo.

Our blacksmith department has been lamenting about not having sufficient scrap material to keep orders for tie plates filled; there being unfilled orders here for over 100,000 tie plates at this time.

The writer recently found two of the former employes of the reclamation plant, Frank Price and Finis Dixon, operating a road machine for the Greene County road district near Marshfield. Both looked hale and hearty and said they were in fine trim for the coming season.

Eugene Maybee has returned from Lowell, Ariz., where he spent the winter for the betterment of his health. We are gratified to know that he has improved much in weight and health, but he will not attempt to take up his work again for some time, as helper in the blacksmith shop.

George Ramey, mill man, has taken unto himself a wife. He informs us she was Miss Birdie Hickey before he changed her name, and formerly resided at Fayetteville, Ark. George says she is an excellent cook, and he has every reason to believe that life is going to hold much in store for a bright future for him and his bride, which is the sincere wish of his fellow shopmen.

Most of the fellows have the fishing fever these first mild spring days, and about the best known remedy for this disease is to venture out into the un-beaten paths that follow beside the rippling streams of our Ozark hills, and remain until complete recovery is assured. There has already been some nice catches made in the nearby McDaniel Lake, and from Lake Taney-como, by some of our most ardent fishermen.

**LOCAL No. 20—HUGO, OKLA.**

F. D. KNIPP, Reporter

Mrs. Maude Tittle, of Mt. Vernon, Wash., who has been spending about 30 days in Hugo, with H. G. Tittle, coppersmith, and family left a few days ago for Shreveport, La., and other points in the south and will return through Hugo on her way back to Mt. Vernon.

O. N. Wright, machinist, of Ft. Smith is visiting his family in Hugo. He was formerly a machinist in Hugo but was transferred to Ft. Smith.

R. D. Walker, machinist, has returned from Oklahoma City where he spent one day. He went to bring Mrs. Walker back, who has been spending several days in that city with friends.

Fred Jarrell, machinist, and Dick Williams, who transferred to the night job, say the work is heavy but they like to work for the big fat Irishman.

Jerry Turner, tank man, who was kidnapped, beat up and his car taken from him when they arrived in Texarkana, was returned to Hugo and after spending several days in bed is improving now.

Sam Hollins has been placed on the stationary firing job, filling the place of W. D. Kimmons, who resigned several days ago.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Kelly, a 11-pound girl. Mr. Kelly is a machinist of long service in the Hugo roundhouse.

R. A. Wright has been having trouble with his eyes, but after taking several treatments from the Paris doctors he is improving nicely.

Tom Tinsley, coppersmith, was a self-appointed call boy for one night only; that was April the 1st. He made several calls about 3 o'clock in the morning.

**LOCAL No. 33—HAYTI, MO.**

E. B. WHITENER, Reporter

Claude Wills, boilermaker, spent a few days in Springfield recently.

R. D. Sanders, car inspector, has been placed back to his regular job. Mr. Sanders has been cut off for some time.

The accident prevention meeting, which was held at this place April 1, was well attended. Several from Chaffee were present and several interesting points were discussed.

M. W. Rhodes, machinist, was called to Williamsville, Ill., account the death of his sister. After staying a few days with relatives and friends Mr. Rhodes returned to his home at this place.

Garden making and fishing are the two leading features at this place, although have not heard of many fish being caught as yet.

**LOCAL No. 18—BIRMINGHAM, ALA.**

W. A. MYERS, Reporter

Dan Cosby, machinist, has bought a home in Edgewood. All of the boys seem to be moving back to the country.

We are glad to report that C. A. Anderson, inspector, is back at work with us again after quite an extended absence.

At our last meeting we were honored with the presence of Mr. B. G. Gamble, master mechanic, Mr. H. E. Burgess, our jovial system chairman, and all the local supervisors. Good talks were made by all, which were greatly enjoyed.

J. B. Nelson, machinist, has left for Pensacola, Fla., where he has a regular job in the shop there. We are sorry to lose Nelson, but glad he has a regular job and wish him much success with it.

Jack Ash, machinist, is back with us again, after being cut off for a short period of time. We hope he can stay with us this time.

We of Local No. 18 regretfully report the loss of our dear brother, Hugh Kimbrell, who was suddenly stricken dead with heart failure a few days ago. He served faithfully in the capacity of treasurer for Local No. 18 for several years. We of Local No. 18 wish to take this means of expressing our sincere and heartfelt sympathy to his wife and loved ones during this hour of bereavement.

**SOUTH TRAIN YARDS  
SPRINGFIELD, MO.**

JESSE L. BRANDON, Reporter

D. B. Barclay, lead inspector, was off a few days with a case of the flu but is back at work again.

Johnny U. Garrett arrived on March 9 to take up his abode with Mr. and Mrs. Isaiah Garrett. Mother and son are getting along nicely. Mr. Garrett is lead inspector on the third track at south train yard.

We are glad to see Wm. Sanders, section foreman, back on the job again after being off in the hospital for fifteen days with pneumonia fever. Earnest Reese worked Mr. Sanders' job while he was off.

Louis Bunch, inspector, is back at work again after being off some weeks having his eyes treated.

Ben Denny, car oiler, reports Mrs. Denny, who is in very poor health, is better at this writing.

Fred Cunningham, seal clerk, is making some nice improvements on his residence.

Sincere sympathy is extended to Major Wingo (brake-out at freight house), whose wife died at the birth of a daughter March 30. The daughter is doing well.

F. J. Brown is back at work again after being off a few days.

We sincerely sympathize with Mr. and Mrs. Sam Hays in the loss of their

infant daughter, Sammy Lee Hays, who died March 21, age seven weeks and one day. Little Sammy Lee spent the first few weeks of her life in the baby incubator at the Springfield Baptist hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Brandon enjoyed a five days' sight seeing trip at Pensacola first part of April.

Mr. W. E. Breshears has been given foreman's position in St. Louis and is succeeded as lead inspector at Springfield by Mr. H. C. Sweeney.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Bock, of St. Louis, have returned to their home after visiting Mrs. Bock's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Brandon. Jesse L. Brandon, Jr., of Colorado, is now visiting with them.

**ST. LOUIS—LOCAL No. 5**

R. W. REED and E. R. McNABB,  
Reporters

Due to the Frisco taking over the passenger coach maintenance from the St. Louis Terminals Association at St. Louis, Local No. 5 will be benefitted with a large membership. Some of the mechanics that were transferred from other points have already transferred their membership.

Ralph Ruggles and Robert Kellogg, formerly of Springfield but now of the coach department at Jefferson avenue, placed their membership in local No. 5 April 3.

H. E. Campbell, machinist, now working extra at Lindenwood has transferred his membership to Local No. 5 on April 3.

Orriss L. Baker, machinist, at present on the deadwork job, became a member of the tried and true at meeting on April 3.

N. P. Duffey, machinist, is still in the Frisco hospital, and Brother Hart, of Springfield, is filling his vacancy on the midnight shift.

Frank Schoenneman, station engineer, is in the Frisco hospital for an operation.

A. F. Kirkpatrick, machinist, has returned to work feeling much better after being off a month, three weeks of which was spent in the Frisco hospital for treatment.

Roy S. White has returned to work after being off ten days with an injured wrist.

Alexander (Bud) Jacquin has lost ten days due to cutting his hand on a piece of broken glass.

Edward S. Homewood, machinist, was off two weeks with an injured wrist, caused from being mashed.

Mrs. J. W. Rubin, wife of machinist, is back home after spending three weeks in the hospital undergoing a surgical operation, it is reported she is getting along nicely now.

We extend our sympathy to Howard E. Barks, car inspector, and to relatives, due to the death of Mrs. Barks on April 3.

Our sympathy is also extended to Jas. F. Hoflich and family through death of Mr. Owen Donnigan, father of Mrs. Hoflich, at Paducah, Ky., on March 28.

Our sympathy is also extended to F. C. Henn and family through the loss of their two and one-half year old son, who died on March 31 while on a visit with Mr. Henn's parents at Plainville, Kans. The cause of death was the swallowing of a pin.

John Snarr, lead spring and truck man, has returned to work from Florida, where he was recently called account of his mother being very sick. John reports his mother much improved.

Mr. Dingman, locomotive inspector, and Mr. Burkholtz, boiler inspector, paid Lindenwood a visit week of April 6 on a tour of inspection of locomotives and boilers, and as far as we have been able to find out the power running out of Lindenwood was found to be in good condition.

The apprentice class held their semi-monthly meeting on Friday evening, April 10, with thirty-four scholars present, and on the occasion Mr. Dingman, Frisco locomotive inspector, made a very interesting talk to the class on locomotive inspections and rules.

Mrs. James Hoffich returned home from Paducah, Ky., April 13 after spending six weeks visiting with relatives and friends.

Jas. H. Hall, carman, recently spent five days visiting with relatives and friends at West Plains, Mo.

W. J. (Bill) Henry has, according to reports, 108 degrees of fishing fever.

J. H. Sanders, machinist, has moved to the farm again for the summer. Shouldn't wonder if we don't soon get some real milk with our lunches.

Coy Barnett, boilermaker, is also getting the farm fever.

On March 30 a birthday party was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Brayfield, in honor of James Hall. There were thirty-seven Frisco families present. Music was provided by Daniel Bade, and E. H. (Doc) Bumgarner, and say the way those boys play! When Doc parts those gray whiskers and fits the fiddle under his chin it's going to be "Sally Gooden," or "Golden Slippers."

Another pleasant surprise party was held at the home of Prather Langley, lead tankman, in honor of Mrs. Langley's birthday on April 3. The evening was spent at cards, checkers and ice cream. A pleasant evening was enjoyed by all present.

What promises to be the forerunner of some classy athletic events in the future was learned when Cliff Barnett, boilermaker, and Charles Turner, electrician, are fitting up an eighteen by twenty-four room with a wrestling mat, boxing ring and other features for practicing. Boys, we are anxiously awaiting a public appearance.

Now let that old man summer just come right along and see who cares. The writer has had installed in his home a new electric refrigerator and is very anxious to try it out.

Mrs. R. W. Reed, son and daughter, returned home in Maplewood, April 15, after spending two months in Springfield at the home Mrs. F. E. Ott, mother and grandmother.

V. V. Chapman, engine inspector, is now wearing a genuine smile and we are informed it is caused from being a checker champion.

W. J. Ficke, general foreman Lindenwood, is the father of a new device that really fills engine driver hubs with Marfax grease. Those workmen that handle the job of oiling their hubs, say it is a labor-saver. Just couple up to the hub, two jerks of the lever and the job is done.

Thos. Murray, passenger roundhouse foreman, spent Sunday, April 12, on his ranch, north of Springfield, Mo.

## NORTH SIDE SIDELIGHTS

EMERY HAGUEWOOD, Reporter

Of all the good stories that have appeared in our magazine in the years that this reporter has been reading it, there has never been one that has had the appeal to me that was carried by the reminiscences A. J. Thomas, the Ft. Worth, Texas, switchman, as it appeared in the April number.

I am going to write as the first party in this instance and say that Mr. Thomas's story carried me back to the days of my youth, and for many years our paths have been the same. I, too, was born down on the Chadwick branch railroad. Many are the times that I have stood in the cockle burr patch and watched the mighty monster engine number 366 puffing over the top of Ozark Hill and waved a greeting to the crew as they went roaring on down the line. I also recall that many are the times that I trudged the rough mile to Cassidy loaded down with fruit which I disposed of to the crew and passengers, and in the winter time I have sold rabbits without numbers to

the same crew year after year at the magnificent price of two for five cents. Recalling the names of that crew, all of which I knew well and liked better, were George Price, engineer; Archie Dodson, fireman; George Rominger, conductor; Johnnie Lightwine and Charles McBride, brakemen. Of this quintet the first three mentioned have made their final trip from which there is no return. Lightwine and McBride still carry on, on the same old run.

I, too, decided that Uncle Sam needed me to help civilize the Filipino and spent 31 months over there; first on the sandy plans around Mt. Ararat on Luzan, then through the jungles around Lake Lanao on Mindanao, with a short trip to the Jolo Islands on the side. It was at Zamboanga Mindanao that I turned in the Krag-Jorkenson and took up the transit and staidler rod in topographical survey work, our work calling us to climb to the highest mountain tops and again descending to the lowest swamps, as well as surveying thousands of miles of coast line. I hope some day to meet Mr. Thomas and if I do, among the first questions I will ask, is why he didn't get a job braking on the Manila and Dagupan Railroad.

Elery Bolles, machinist, has the sympathy of the roundhouse force in the loss of his twelve-year-old grandson. The lad had made his home with Mr. Bolles since the death of his mother, four years ago. A younger brother and sister also survive the deceased.

Mrs. H. E. Day visited her girlhood home for the last time several days ago. Her old home is the area being inundated by the huge lake of the Ozarks and is located near Linn Creek. Mr. Day is a machinist on air work, third shift.

Dan Blunt, extra man, is the proud daddy of an eight pound girl. The young miss has been given the name of Dorothy Evelyn.

Mrs. Louise Yowell, mother of Gordon Yowell, special apprentice, is home again after a six months' visit with a son and daughter who live in Arizona and California.

There has been quite an epidemic of colds and flu during the past month in which almost everyone has been affected more or less. Some of the more serious cases being James Miscampbell, supervisor of night work, Don Monroe, supplyman, and William Kimble, tool room attendant—all are back on the job at this time, however.

Chas. Dummit, grease cup man, third shift, has returned from Kansas City where he went to visit a new granddaughter. He reports mother and babe doing fine.

Laponzel, the nine-year-old daughter of John Edwards, machinist on dead work, suffered a broken arm several days ago in a fall from a porch. At present the injured member is improving nicely.

James Crangle, tank man, second shift, is off sick at this time. We don't know the nature of his illness, but hope it isn't serious and that he will soon be back with us.

James Wolfe, sheet metal worker, is at present spending sixty days with home folks at Flora, Illinois.

Leo R. Reddick, machinist apprentice, who will finish his time May 8, and his father, J. W. Reddick, who is boilermaker foreman, are building a camp and boat line at Linn Creek on the new lake of the Ozarks. Leo wishes to extend a cordial invitation to all Frisco employes to visit him at any time, saying he will show them a royal time during their vacations. Leo will also represent the Outboard Motor Corporation.

## CAR DEPARTMENT FT. SCOTT, KAN.

JAS. N. HARGROVE, Reporter

Leo F. Struble, box packer, has made conditions better for himself as well as the boss by trading his open air taxi for a Whippet sedan.

Frank Brown, box packer, is sporting around in a big Hudson sedan.

Palmer D. Watson, coach cleaner, is still unable to return to work.

Mrs. E. C. Henshaw, wife of roundhouse clerk, spent Easter in Sherman, Tex., visiting relatives and friends.

Eugene Moore, car foreman, has a good record in marksmanship at the Ft. Scott rifle club.

L. (Roy) Graham, lead car man, made a flying trip to Tulsa for the week-end.

Local No. 29 met April 7 and gave a small entertainment, inviting the supervisors and clerks, and all reported a good time.

It seems to be a very hard matter to keep a dog of any value in Ft. Scott as some one takes it on themselves to poison them.

Earl Foster, wrecker engineer, is one of the unlucky, as his dog Tige received a very severe dose of poison and is in the hospital, built it is believed he will recover.

Eugene Moore, car foreman, has been very successful in keeping down the expense of labor and material in the shop and has decided to curtail his own expenses by smoking a pipe and cutting down the expenses on cigarettes.

The car shops slogan is "new business."

## MECHANICAL DEPARTMENT THAYER, OKLA.

F. M. PEEBLES, Reporter

Mrs. F. M. Peebles, wife of the writer, of St. Louis, was a visitor here and the writer accompanied her back to St. Louis.

D. E. Jackson, special agent, was called to Detroit, Mich., account of the illness of his father, incidentally he made a trip by auto into Canada.

Harry Miller, cashier, is now on the sick list, Fred Smith of Brandsville relieving him.

Mrs. Fred Smith, wife of clerk, was a visitor here.

Rubin Holmes, third class machinist, is still on the sick list.

John West, third-class car repairer, and family of Jonesboro, were visitors here.

Mrs. John Perago, wife of boiler maker at Yale, was a visitor here.

Geo. Upham, retired engineer of Jonesboro, was a visitor here.

Mrs. F. G. Schratz and Leona, wife and daughter of car inspector, was visiting at Running Lake, Ark.

Dow Davis, blacksmith of Amory, Miss., was a visitor here.

Rodney Wilcox and Mrs. Wilcox, clerk of Yale, were visitors here.

Mrs. John Albright, wife and children of foreman of Springfield, was a visitor here, visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. McElvany.

Bill Conner, B&B carpenter, is now in Springfield hospital.

P. A. F. Ingle, agent, was off for a few days, L. F. Conley relieving him, and Rip Phillips relieving Mr. Conley. Incidentally how is this for a record, L. F. Conley, operator, has not lost a day for the past 26 years.

Mack Beard, pumper, has now bid in a job at Cordova, Ala. O. Johnson now being pumper here.

Holmer Hobbs is now extra laborer here.

R. E. Davis, fireman, was taken suddenly sick and rushed to the Springfield hospital.

## B&B SOUTHWESTERN DIVISION

J. C. WOODS, Reporter

All gangs are working on a basis of five days a week.

Our superintendent, C. T. Mason, and division engineer, Mr. Busch, assisted by Mr. Gibbs and bridge inspectors, have been on a tour of inspection and expressed themselves as well pleased with conditions in our department, which re-

flects credit on the management of Mr. Gibbs our general B&B foreman.

W. A. Lantz and men are finishing North Canadian bridge near Weleetka and expect to catch up with the lining and surfacing of bridges on Creek Sub.

W. E. Fountain and men are busy with the work in connection with the building of new depot at Oklahoma City with terminal repairs as a side line.

Virgil Leak and men are renewing North Canadian bridge near Jones.

E. F. Maggi and men are engaged in stock yard repairs and lining and surfacing bridges on the Red River Sub., also doing some sidewalk improvement in Ada.

O. V. Smith and men are repairing Arkansas River bridge, also roundhouse and turntables at West Tulsa.

S. H. Dean and men are repairing sand house at Lawton and working on bridges in this vicinity.

George Simpson and men are putting the first coat of paint on South Canadian bridge near Tuttle.

S. H. Dean is using his spare time scrubbing and cleaning up the outfit in anticipation of visit from his wife and family of Vinita.

C. M. Swope is back at work after being at home all winter on account of sickness in his family.

Carl Smith has severed his relations with the B&B department after continuous service as B&B carpenter since 1917.

C. L. Brothers is back on the job after a short visit with home folks at Greenforest, Ark.

We are sorry to announce the death of Sig Riley, Uncle Sig, as he was familiarly known, was an old timer. His service dates back to 1916. We understand he died very suddenly. He leaves a wife and four step children, also several children by his first wife, who died in 1922. Interment was at Madill, Okla.

**LOCAL No. 17—TULSA, OKLA.**

H. C. PRICE, Reporter

H. J. Ray, machine shop foreman, and P. J. DeBrosse are in St. Louis hospital.

S. J. Haverfield, pipeman is off account illness.

G. L. Alexander, boiler foreman is still confined to his home account illness.

F. R. Mock, machinist was called to Los Angeles, Calif., recently, to the bedside of his brother who was injured in an auto accident.

Tony Phillips spent a few days recently visiting his son in western Oklahoma.

Paul Corbin, machinist, has returned to work after a ten day's absence.

Charley Retzlaff and wife spent Easter with home folks in Lawton, Okla.

Our greatest sympathy is extended Marvin McLesky in the death of his mother the latter part of March.

W. O. Coy, piece-work checker of the rip track, was called to Springfield account death of his father, Dr. W. A. Coy. We extend our sympathy to Mr. Coy and his family during their bereavement.

Jack Drake, machinist, is off for ten days at this writing visiting home folks.

The shop boys who served in the war are all wearing big smiles now, account receipt of their bonus.

H. C. Riddle, machinist, was severely burned at home recently, when the gasoline tank on his car exploded. He is confined to St. Louis hospital.

**LOCAL No. 8—ENID, OKLA.**

H. H. FULLER, Reporter

An announcement that should have appeared last month is the marriage of Miss Alice Snow and Mr. H. L. Gar-ringer, secretary to Master Mechanic W. J. Foley, which occurred February

2nd in Springfield, Mo., the home of the bride. We join their host of friends in wishing them a long and happy wedded life.

Ernest C. Newton, blacksmith helper who underwent an operation for appendicitis, has returned to work. Glad to see you back "Shag".

M. A. Wagner, machinist who has been off for some time with an infected hand, has returned from St. Louis hospital, but is not yet able to return to work.

R. D. Richards, machinist, is sick at the present time.

Wilbur Ayers and wife spent a day in Oklahoma City recently viewing the sights.

Wm. Venable, machinist helper, has given up all hope of farm relief and has abandoned the farm and moved back to town.

Mrs. Charles Ayers, daughter-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. Ayers, has returned home after a pleasant visit. She lives in Atunway, Iowa.

Earl Young, blacksmith, left for Springfield on the 11th for a visit with home folks.

Mrs. B. G. Adams and baby daughter, Barbara Ann, were recent Springfield visitors. Barbara Ann was quite ill while away, but has recovered.

The nice warm days we are having has started the baseball fever among the shop boys and at a meeting in the car foreman's office it was decided to put a team in the city league again this season, so let every one get behind the team and boost.

**BRIDGE AND BUILDING DEPT. EASTERN DIVISION**

ARTHUR BUNCH, Reporter

Bill Hines has returned to work now, after being off for some time with an injured hand.

Zadock Breshears recently was off several days on account of sickness.

Bud Peck recently spent a few days visiting relatives in Oklahoma.

Max Pacht and Arthur Rude are in Birmingham, Alabama, rebuilding one of the stationary boilers. They will be there several days.

Ebb Nease and gang have been repairing bridges on the Chadwick branch.

Charley Wallace and gang are doing general repairing on buildings in and around Monett, Missouri.

Jim Carter and gang are repairing bridges in and around Aldrich.

Bill Skyles is again in charge of the St. Louis Terminal, and the gangs are doing some repairing on buildings at Cuba, Missouri.

Bill Foster is again in charge of the paint gang and are painting station buildings, at Stanton, Missouri.

Clyde Cunningham and gang recently have been doing some concrete work at Monett, Missouri.

Charley Baron and gang are doing emergency work in the Springfield terminal.

**NEWBURG, MO.—LOCAL No. 32**

E. F. FULLER, Reporter

Mrs. C. D. Ward and sons visited in Springfield.

Mr. Frank Short made a business trip to Conway and Springfield.

Miss Thelma Vinson of Lebanon, visited Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Fuller over the week-end.

Mr. S. A. Montgomery is the proud owner of a new Dodge six sedan.

Mr. George Turner is back at work after a 30-day leave of absence on account of sickness.

Mr. Harold Rook, yardmaster, has traded his Studebaker for a new Ford sedan.

Mr. C. D. Ward was off duty for 10 days on account of an attack of the flu.

Shopmen extend their sympathy to Geo. L. Miller over the loss of his mother who died recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Stoll are the proud parents of a new caller who arrived at their home, March 17.

Mr. S. A. Montgomery attended the Shrine ceremonial at Springfield.

H. J. Scott, car man, has taken a 60-day leave of absence and went to his farm near Lebanon.

**BIRMINGHAM FREIGHT HOUSE**

A. C. HANSON, Reporter

J. J. Cummins, agent, has played old Santa Claus to himself and bought a new Oldsmobile sedan.

F. M. Packard, chief clerk, has fallen in line with the masses and another Oldsmobile. The number of Oldsmobiles now number as many as all other makes of automobiles combined at the freight house.

Mr. Buford Freeze of Cincinnati, O., was a recent visitor in the city with his father and brother. Both are employes of the Frisco and Buford Freeze was at one time an employe of the company also but now living in Cincinnati, Ohio.

All employes are very sorry to learn of the transfer of our general agent at Birmingham, Ala., Mr. J. E. Springer. Although our loss is another's gain, we feel that we are the loser in the transfer of this valued solicitor and all wish for him much success in the new field.

B. E. Gains, carpenter, was called to Amory, Miss., to the bedside of his wife's mother who was seized with a stroke of paralysis suddenly. She is in a critical condition. We wish her a speedy recovery from her illness.

With the interest of the baseball fans and shooting forth of the lawn grasses, the brows of many unemployed will become regions of perspiration and old father WORK will again sit on the throne and command idleness into sublime, for business is growing better each day.

H. F. Green, station accountant, was kept from his duties at the office account illness of his wife at Bessemer this week. We trust that she will soon regain her health.

Photus Grady, check clerk and wife, were visitors in Thorsby, Ala., last week-end. They report a pleasant trip and boost Alabama roads. Grady has been displaying symptoms of a new Chrysler since this trip.

L. T. Hatcher, belt clerk and wife, made a week-end trip to Roanoke, Ala., last week, visiting relatives and friends of Mrs. Hatcher there. While the heavy rains and muddy roads were detrimental, the fried chicken was wonderful indeed.

Numerous signs of better business have been displaying themselves over the city. New subways, new buildings, newly painted homes and last but not the least, the WIN-U-SMILE of our agent, J. J. Cummins, when he returns from his daily solicitations.

L. H. Freeze, claim clerk and wife are the proud parents of a new baby girl, born April 13, 1931, weight, eight pounds. She is a very promising girl and vows that she will never even go near a freight house. Our congratulations to Mrs. Freeze and Luther.

**NEWS FROM LOCAL No. 7**

H. W. CLAYPOOL, Reporter

We are very sorry to report that Mr. L. W. Caviness, Central division chairman, has been off for some time due to illness. He has made two trips to the St. Louis hospital and is in Mayo Brothers Clinic at this writing. Here's hoping for a speedy recovery, Lee.

Due to his absence, J. L. Endy, chairman of the shop committee, has been appointed to fill this position, temporarily.

H. T. Peck, first class coppersmith, of the West Shop, is filling Mr. Caviness's job for the present. Mr. Peck's family recently spent the week-end with him and marvelled at the spring weather we were having. That's just a regular part of Arkansas, folks,



# Frisco Family News

## EASTERN DIVISION

### NEWS SERVICE DEPARTMENT SPRINGFIELD, MO.

J. P. BRIGGS, Reporter

Well, folks, inasmuch as this is a new addition to the Frisco family, will try to tell you what has been going on since this department was taken over by the Frisco.

The News Department was heretofore operated by Fred Harvey, but was taken over by the Frisco the latter part of 1930 and we have been trying to hold our end up ever since. Am sure we will make a very good showing in the future, along with everyone else. Everybody get set to hear of great things from us in the next few months.

Mr. R. C. Osborne, our superintendent, spent the usual time on the road and also at Memphis, at which point we closed our news agency and transferred everything to Springfield.

Mr. C. B. Anderson, assistant superintendent, went to Sedalia with the Springfield bowling team, to play for the state championship, but we were sorry to have them nosed out in the last round by Kansas City.

Miss Justice and Miss Holms spent the week-end in St. Louis recently and they arrived home safely after their journey to the big city.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Reid was visiting in Kansas City a few weeks ago and while there had their son's tonsils removed.

With all this fine weather at hand and our fishing poles out of storage, we invite you all to come down and try your luck with the finny tribe.

### CLINTON AND OSCEOLA SUB

MRS. A. W. LIFFEE, Reporter

Business on this division has increased considerably the past month. They double-head 59 almost every night. Have run several extras and had three work trains.

C. O. Claiborne, agent, attended a Traffic Club meeting in Springfield April 11 and 12. The agents from over the system, about 155, were present, discussing business.

Mr. Julius Wirth of California, brother of "Peck" Wirth, conductor, is visiting at the old home place at Brownington. Julius at one time was conductor for the Frisco out of K. C.

Sam Hendrix, section foreman, and his men are relaying steel in the south end of Clinton yards.

We are glad to report Mr. Sigler, conductor, is back to work after several days of illness.

Also Mr. Cashman, brakeman, is working again after being off about six weeks.

W. W. Clark, conductor, and wife were called to Butler, Mo., recently due to the serious illness of Mrs. Clark's father.

Mrs. Fred Long, wife of Engineer Long, is making an extended visit in California.

Dan Hurlbut, caller, made a business trip to K. C. last week.

Harry Kline, conductor, and wife attended the funeral of Mrs. Kline's uncle, Mr. Frank Matthews of Joplin.

A very impressive sunrise service was held at the Christian church Easter Sunday. Those participating in this program from the Frisco families were: Mrs. Frank Wilson, wife of Engineer Wilson; Luther D. Hunter, son of Conductor Hunter; and Durward Liffie, son of A. W. Liffie, engineer.

T. B. Coppage, superintendent, and J. H. Weed, road master, were in Clinton recently visiting and getting acquainted with Clinton's business men.

Mrs. O. W. Blumhoist, wife of Conductor Blumhoist, visited her mother at Springfield last week.

J. A. Moran, superintendent; J. H. Weed, roadmaster; D. E. Gelwix, division engineer; and A. J. Jones, general B&B foreman, made an inspection tour of this division the last of the month.

Aletrice Rutherford, daughter of Charles Rutherford, was home for the Easter holidays. She is in Columbia where she attends college.

John Philip Balke, son of Engineer Balke, was home for Easter vacation.

### PURCHASING DEPARTMENT ST. LOUIS, MO.

W. L. RITTER, Reporter

We are all sorry to learn of the sudden passing away of Henry Compton's brother and join in extending our profound sympathies to the bereaved family.

Herby Clay tells us his friend wife sure enjoys reading the magazine. We understand now why he is so anxious to get his copy every month.

Clarke Pinkerton has been roaming around the office mumbling "19 tons coal"—we take it he must be running a heating plant out there in Webster Groves.

Understand our John Daniels is seeking prices on a golf outfit and it will be necessary to send dimensions to the factory, account of being special size.

Lucille Meyer claims to have lost weight in the past few months—while we are all pleased to hear this, we can't say that we can notice it.

Martin Hickey says he is going in for winter sports this summer by eating more ice cream and frozen dainties. Margaret Cowan is to give a lecture to a group of office boys on "The necessity of a Stationery Invoice Clerk in the Railroad Business."

Now that the baseball season is here, let us all get together, fight the busses and tell our friends to start their vacation right, by taking a real long ride over the Frisco.

Grace McEvoy tells us she celebrated her birthday recently by throwing a party and they played games and everything.

Lynn White says he isn't reducing very fast by playing his saxophone, because the guy next door borrows it every night.

We believe Mary Graddy has the right idea when she says, "I don't believe in dieting. I'm stout and proud of it."

And Lew Cunningham says he is going to get himself an airship so he can be above the rest of the world.

Just then the door opened and in blew Bernice Hower with her little arithmetic under her arm.

Now they have Ray Kosky under the impression he wants to diet in order to thin down.

This weather reminds us of the animal life, when the birds shed their feathers and the balance their wild hair.

### TELEGRAPH DEPARTMENT

O. L. OUSLEY, Reporter

Wesley W. Shane, clerk in St. Louis telegraph office, visited in Springfield, April 5th.

John Chesney, telegrapher, Edward, Kansas, suffered a severe attack of influenza the first of April and is still confined to his home.

A. P. Parks, 2nd trick wire chief, Ft. Scott, and Mrs. Parks visited in Wichita and Enid, first of April. While in Enid they were the guests of Mrs. Parks' sister, Mrs. J. F. Lee. Mr. Lee is now located as trainmaster at Enid.

The marriage of Miss Jessie L. Brown and J. J. Mathes, division line-man, at Enid, was solemnized, March 28, at the home of the bride's parents. The many friends of Mr. Mathes in the telegraph department wish them much happiness. Mr. and Mrs. Mathes are at home at 817 West Oak street, Enid, Okla.

Friends of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Bradford were indeed sorry to hear of the death of Mrs. Bradford's little sister, Patsy, who died in Kansas City, April 12th. Since the death of her mother, Patsy had spent a great deal of her time with the Bradfields at Saxman, where Mr. Bradford is now agent.

Mrs. George F. Linster, wife of G. F. Linster, assistant superintendent of telegraph, returned home April 11, after having spent a week in Cincinnati visiting her son, Max Linster and wife.

Mrs. Lulu Laker, P. B. X. operator, Springfield, has been quite sick with pneumonia for several days, but we are glad to know that she is recovering rapidly.

Miss Mary Fenton, relief P. B. X. operator, Monett, and Mr. William Conley were married April 6. They will reside on a farm near Monett. Employees of this department extend our best wishes.

### AUDITOR REVENUES ST. LOUIS, MO.

ESTELLE HILTON, Reporter

E. V. Ashworth spent the week of March 22 to 28 in New York.

Beatrice O'Reilly, P. E. Wood, Wm. Eichenauer, and E. V. Ashworth are all able to be at work again after being quite ill for some time.

Little Betty Jane Kretzer age 6 years, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kretzer, passed away at the Bethesda Hospital, April 6, after 3 weeks of suffering with cerebral spinal meningitis, the department extends sincere sympathy to the parents in their bereavement.

A. W. Arnett, city ticket agent, was a visitor in this office, recently.

Several boys attended the bowling tournament at Detroit, Mich., March 28 and 29. They also visited Canada.