

**Open Session**

"I was told you entertained your neighbors informally last night."

"Yes, I had a quarrel with my husband on the front porch."

**ALL WET**

"How did you like Venice?"

"I only stayed a few days. The place was flooded."

**HAD TO BE REMOVED**

*Theatre-Goer:* "Usher, I can't find anything about the play in this program?"

*Usher:* "Sorry, sir, but we had to make room for two new ads."

**More Than Usual**

Teacher: "Willie, how many bones have you in your body?"

Willie: "About nine hundred."

Teacher: "That's a great many more than I have."

Willie: "Well, you see I had sardines for lunch."

**ANTIQUÉ ADVICE**

*You let that widdler Jones alone,  
She's too tarnation fly;  
When she sets in her easy chair,  
She allus rocks so high.*

**THAT'S RIGHT**

"I'm cutting quite a figure," said the chorus girl as she sat on a broken bottle.

**An Appetizing Story**

Customer: "Waiter, there's a fly in my ice cream."

Waiter: "Let him freeze and teach him a lesson. The little rascal was in the soup last night."

**REMEMBER**

*You can find whatever you want when you don't want it, by looking where it wouldn't be if you did want it.*

**Gangway!**

Agitated Passenger: "I'm sure that was a human being we ran over."

Bus Driver (in heavy dust): "Ah good! Then we're still on the main road all right."

**BY THE WAY—**

The horse flies on the Ark must have had a heck of a good time—a horse apiece!

**Perhaps**

"In a battle of tongues, a woman can hold her own."

"Yes, perhaps she can, but she never does."

**A GOOD AND BAD ANGLE**

"However old a man is," says a psychologist, "he can always derive pleasure from watching a train steam out of the station." And let us add, unless of course, he intended catching it.

**PARDON!**

*Auditor:* "Now, let's see your pink slips."

*Feminine Clerk:* "Sir!"

**Will Rogers Says—**

"It's a queer world! Remain silent and others suspect that you are ignorant—talk and you remove all doubt of it."

"Keep both eyes open for the little things. The big things you see with one eye closed."

"Stone Mountain is the rock which California threw at Florida and it landed a little short of the mark."

**DUMB AT LEAST**

*He was a stranger in the neighborhood and had been brought to a dance at the local deaf-and-dumb hospital by an old friend, the doctor. "How on earth can I ask a deaf and dumb girl to dance?" he asked, a trifle anxiously.*

*"Just smile and bow to her," replied the doctor.*

*So the young man picked out a pretty girl and bowed and smiled, and she bowed and smiled, and away they danced. They danced not only one dance, but three, and he was on the point of bowing and smiling for another when a strange man approached his partner and said, soulfully:*

*"I say, darling, when are we going to have another dance. It's almost an hour since I had one with you."*

*"I know, dear," answered the girl, "but I don't know how to get away from this deaf-and-dumb fellow!"*

**Not So Bad**

"I've got a pretty distasteful job before me," remarked the genealogist. "Mrs. Newrich employed me to look up her family tree and I've got to inform her that one of her relatives was electrocuted."

"That's nothing to worry about," said his friend. "Just write that the man in question occupied the chair of applied electricity at one of our public institutions."

**ONE WAY**

*He had had his photograph taken and when the proofs came he showed them to his wife.*

*"Oh, look, you have only one button on your coat!" she exclaimed.*

*"Thank heaven!" he replied, "you've noticed it at last. That's why I had the photo taken."*

**IN A LITTLE WHILE**

"What was the excitement down at the crossing?"

"Jinx tried to beat the express to the crossing."

"Did he get a-cross?"

"No, but he will, just as soon as the tombstone maker can finish it for him."

**A Strange Animal**

Telegram sent by a farmer to Irish constabulary barracks: "Gray motor passed here killed a cow containing four gentlemen and two greyhounds, one of which was a clergyman."

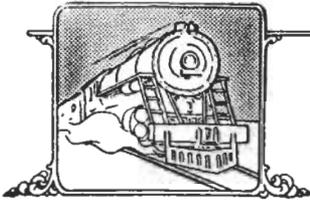
**A GOOD DEFINITION**

*A modern girl is one who can meet the wolf at the door and come out with a fur coat.*

**AT THE BORDER**

"Well," said the Customs Inspector at the Canadian border to the dusky driver of the ancient Ford, "Have you any dutiable stuff?"

"No, sah," said the dusky driver. "I got me a couple bottles o' gin, but 'at aint no duty. 'At's a pleasure."



# The FRISCO MECHANIC

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## Notes From the General Chairman

By H. E. BURGESS

**B**ACONE, Local No. 31, was visited on April 18. Brother S. P. Webb, president of Local No. 31, again expressed his deep appreciation of having an opportunity of visiting North Shop on the occasion of attending our ninth annual convention. It is a pleasure to learn that one is so deeply appreciative of the favor, as was conferred by Local No. 1 in taking the members of the convention on this short sightseeing tour, and giving visitors an opportunity to know under what conditions other mechanics are working. Brother Webb offers the suggestion that each convention include a visit to the Springfield shops, which is indeed a suggestion of merit and may be made possible to a larger degree than has been the order heretofore. We learn to do our work by seeing how others do theirs.

Stopped at Tulsa on April 15 and found Brother John White and wife had gone to New Mexico to visit their daughter, who was ill. Learned later the young lady was much improved and had returned to Tulsa with her parents. Although I had a very pleasant visit with Brothers Price, Phillips, Moody and Johnson, who report everything going along in an easy way and asking for nothing but an increase in business and a chance to get a "whack" at it.

Fort Scott on 23. Had a very cordial invitation from President Jarboe to attend a party and lunch but on account of prior engagements it was impossible to be present. However, we met in a special meeting in the assembly hall at the depot, where we discussed seniority and working conditions. I shall long have pleasant memories of my first visit to Fort Scott and attended a "Ship by Rail" meeting in the Y. M. C. A. auditorium. This was a gathering of merchants and rail workers of every road and of every craft, where much good was done for all concerned.

At Kansas City on April 22. This did not happen to be a meeting date

for Local No. 4, but it does not have to be a meeting night to see and talk with the men. Division Chairman and Mrs. Ralph Fyffe brought out the new automobile, as per notes of May issue, and "boy," it is some boat. If these good folks don't go some this summer it will be a mistake—and go they should. Gas is cheap, the drives superb and best of all, lots of good friends who will be ready to go along. Ralph is planning to go to Chaffee where there is real fishing, so look out for a big fish fry at Kansas City when he returns.

Hugo, Okla., Local No. 20, on May 5. This happened to be the date set aside on which the Hugo schools had their "May Day exercises," which were held at 5:30 p. m. at the Fair grounds. This exhibition appeared to the writer to have been attended by every citizen—future and present—of Hugo. The program was very appropriate and splendidly staged. When the last stunt was over, and the four May Poles were wound—we could not quite suppress a justifiable rule of pride in the thought that it was the taxes paid by the Frisco railroad and its resident men—almost one-half of the total school tax—that made this event possible. Truly a concrete example of the value of the railroad to Hugo's culture and pleasure. But we also drove over Highway No. 70 and noted scores of places in this new slab where the trucks had broken it down; many places twenty feet long by five feet wide where the slab was broken into small pieces and pushed out of the roadway on to the shoulder of dump. We railroaders helped to finance this road as well as we did the schools; and shall expect to have to help to re-pave it. Oh! we taxpayers! We are patient but it does not seem fair to have our competitors destroy our monuments of thrift, and to deprive us of the works we have erected for the pleasure of our citizens at such a cost of sweat and grime. It is not a matter of record that the trucks who destroyed our highway, left even a dime to circulate in the channels of Hugo's trade.

And now the most notable social event of the season. Local No. 1, Springfield, felt indebted to Local No. 6, of Monett, and proceeded to cancel that debt. The party was held at the American Legion hall. A sumptuous supper was served to eight hundred and fifty in the dining room at 5:30 p. m. to 7:00 p. m., after which a program of fourteen especially selected numbers was given and after a few brief talks, a seven-piece orchestra took charge and kept it going as long as anyone would stay to dance. About one hundred guests came from Monett, the management having put a car at their disposal which arrived in Springfield on No. 4, at 5:00 p. m., and returned on No. 1. All were sincere in their praise of the party and went home happy and tired and laying plans for a return of the courtesy, which will take the form of a picnic, at which every Frisco man within reach is hereby invited, the date of which has been set for June 25. Space forbids going into detail of this party, but it was a huge success. Both locals feel themselves highly benefited for its having been given.

Local No. 25, Ft. Worth. A short call at Fort Worth on April 14, found all well and busy. It is reported that business conditions were easing some, and all hope for a good rally this summer. Mrs. Burgess was also a visitor at Fort Worth and marveled at its wonders as revealed by a long drive through Fort Worth and suburbs as the guest of President and Mrs. Ferguson. A very interesting member of the party was the new Ferguson baby, whose picture we hope to show in a near issue.

Local No. 26, Sherman, Texas. Had a very interesting visit with these men on April 13. Meeting was well attended, where the finest spirit of loyalty prevailed, which was made evident by the number of short talks under head of good of the order. Mrs. Burgess was the guest of Mrs. B. B. Walker and Miss Ruth Walker during the meeting hours, and greatly enjoyed a drive about Sherman and Denison, sight-seeing the many beautiful features of the country. A visit to the shop was brief, but who could leave Sherman without a visit to the shop?

## EMPLOYEES RESCUE DOG

While the employes at the roundhouse, Monett Mo., were eating their lunch at the noon hour one day in January, they heard the barking of a dog.

For a time they did not give it any particular notice, but the barks became more insistent. So they investigated, but were unable to find a dog in or near the roundhouse.

The next morning when they returned to work, they heard the barks again—coming farther apart. After searching the grounds around the roundhouse, they happened near the overflow oil tank pit and found a dog had fallen into the tank and had been vainly endeavoring to get out since the previous afternoon.

They got a ladder and one of the men climbed down into the tank and rescued the dog. They vouch for the fact that this dog will not be bothered with fleas. He was so covered with oil, that the color of his coat could not be described.

"He was a mess!" one of the men said later. They took him into the roundhouse where they wrapped him in gunny sacks. He was chilled through and completely exhausted and sank to a deep sleep from which he did not awaken for several hours.

When he finally awoke, the men brought him warm milk and food, and according to the last report, they found him to be a collie after they got him cleaned slightly. He is completely recovered, now, and has adopted the roundhouse as his home, and of course daily receives a generous portion from the lunch baskets of his rescuers.

Husband: "If a man steals—no matter what—he will live to regret it."

Wife (sweetly): "You used to steal kisses from me before we were married."

Husband: "Well, you heard what I said."

## FRISCO MECHANIC FAMILY NEWS

### WEST TULSA STORES DEPT.

TOM MISHLER, Reporter

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Millard, of Springfield, Mo., while on their way to Texas, spent the day of April 26 with their son, Charles, of West Tulsa.

John Harris, third trick counterman, was absent May 8, account illness.

Thos. H. Woolsey was confined to his home several days this month, account of sickness.

Glenn V. Stone spent Mothers' Day, May 10th, with his parents at Springfield, Mo.

L. C. Akin, counterman, has been suffering lately with several bad boils and carbuncles.

## PARIS, TEX.

N. B. PALMERTREE, Reporter

We are glad to welcome Mr. Gum, yard clerk, back to Paris after an illness of two months, and hope that he will soon regain his strength and be able to report for work.

We are indeed sorry to report the death, on the 18th of April, of one of our fellow employes, Bill Cooper. Mr. Cooper was only sick a short while and his death was a surprise to his many friends and we extend our deepest sympathy to his loved ones.

The Frisco boys at Paris now have a baseball nine that is hard to beat—come down and try us out, Hugo, or any other of you boys that want a game. Communicate with M. L. Williams at Paris, Texas, for a date, either here or there, and we don't mean maybe. The members of the team are as follows: M. L. Williams, ticket clerk-operator; R. L. Williams, mechanic; C. S. McCord, ticket agent-operator; T. R. Jackson, clerk; W. B. Crawford, cashier; H. C. Taylor, agent; Billie Taylor, trucker; E. B. McGaha, yard clerk; L. B. Bell, boiler-maker helper; B. C. Derrick, chief clerk.

Paris Frisco Employes entertained the Hugo boys with a party at the Lamar Country Club on May 2nd. There was a total of about one hundred couples there, and everyone had a big time.

## MECHANICAL DEPARTMENT

CHAFFEE, MO.

R. E. RICE, Reporter

General Chairman H. E. Burgess of the FAMC&CDE was a visitor to this department recently.

Among the graduates of the Chaffee High School, class of 1931, are the following: George Sample, son of Dr. G. A. Sample, local surgeon; Mary Helen Thomson, daughter of W. B. Thomson, retired mechanical department employe; Vesta Mae Lyle, daughter of Machinist J. M. Lyle; and Wallace Warner, son of Machinist J. A. Warner. Mary Helen Thomson is valedictorian of the graduating class, which numbers 31, 20 girls and 11 boys.

Car Carpenter Frank Grasser, has announced the arrival of a brand-new baby at his home on Elliott Avenue.

Fireman T. E. Miller, local chairman, has been delegated to attend the Grand Lodge Convention, B. of L. F. & E., at Columbus, early in June. Mrs. Miller will accompany him.

W. H. Samuels was a visitor in the car department May 12th.

Accident Prevention Agent Harry Harrison attended the May mechanical department accident prevention meeting at Chaffee, May 6th.

Geo. McKenna, chief clerk, is now the proud chauffeur of a six-cylinder four door sedan.

Miss Lucile Meldroth, daughter of Road Foreman J. S. Meldroth, is spending her vacation in New York City.

We are sorry to learn of the death of Fred W. Bird in the City Hospital at St. Louis of double pneumonia. Mr. Bird was formerly employed in this department as car carpenter. Our sympathy is extended to the family in their bereavement.

Machinist Apprentice Lionel C. Jarrrett was transferred from Springfield West Shop to Chaffee, effective May 1st. We welcome Mr. Jarrrett to our midst.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Hubbard have as their guest her mother of Fort Scott.

F. G. Baker, electrical engineer, L. O. Thompson and Jack Redyard spent several days in Chaffee recently.

John Forster, of Kansas City, spent a few days in Chaffee with his old friend, Uncle Bill Thomson. He and Mr. Thomson made a visit to the office and shop

during Mr. Forster's stay here. Needless to say, their friends were glad to see them and hope they will make many other visits.

Mrs. A. W. Aubuchon, wife of engineer, was called to Aurora, Ill., on account of illness in the family.

Edwin Nixon, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Nixon, was awarded star badge and two merit badges at the annual District Boy Scout Rally held at Houck Field Stadium, Cape Girardeau, before 3,000 persons. Edwin was awarded merit badges in public health and electricity.

## JOPLIN, MO.

R. C. FLETCHER, Reporter

Among out-of-town visitors at the roundhouse the last of April were Mr. Brandt, assistant mechanic; W. B. Berry, master mechanic; C. A. DeFries, division storekeeper; R. A. Watson, supervisor of special equipment; S. E. Melton, superintendent of B. & B. department.

We are glad to see J. W. Waterbery, bridge inspector, back on the job. He was in Joplin on the 4th of May.

Mr. Gilliland of Fort Scott is now the water service man in this district with headquarters in Joplin. He succeeds Ed. Wagner, who was transferred to work out of Neodesha.

Earl Lynch, engine water man and general all around man at Cherryvale, was visiting here on April 28th.

The "Ship and Travel by Rail" Club met in the club room over the freight house on the 23rd of April. A good crowd was out, but nothing like there should have been. Things of vital interest to every rail employe in this city come up at each meeting and it's up to us to support this club at least with our attendance. Try and come out to the next meeting.

Meeting of the Frisco Employes' Club was held on May 7th. These meetings are real interesting and the club is really working good. Valuable information is handed out each time. Come and hear for yourself. We have a real, live club. On April 17th the officers and committees met at the freight house to discuss plans for the club. If you attend one of these meetings you cannot help but boost the Frisco.

Niel Wilson, inspector at the roundhouse, was cut off on the 5th of May. The mechanical department suffered a severe "cut" in the appropriation for this month, necessitating the reduction of one man off the force and one-half time on Sunday. Jones, boilermaker, and Fletcher, machinist, each work half day Sundays, as does Ed. Sharp, night machinist.

Mr. Rogers and Mr. Jealous, government inspectors, were here on the 6th of May and gave Joplin a clean sheet with the inspectors.

The Frisco family was increased by two people the past month. Two of its employes became grandfathers.

Wm. E. Rhines, hostler at the roundhouse, was one of the proud grandfathers. Willis Ray Rhines was born to Mrs. Leo Rhines, wife of the son of Wm. Rhines, on the 1st of May.

Virgil Black, formerly of the store department here, but now of Kansas City, is the other proud grandpa. Wm. Morris Shaw was born on April 19th to Mrs. Wm. Shaw, daughter of Mr. Black. Both grandpas, both children and their mothers are doing fine.

Mrs. U. G. Boyd, wife of U. G. Boyd, at the roundhouse, was called suddenly to Chanute, Kan., on the 13th of May, on account of the serious illness of her mother, Mrs. Lou Webb.

Mr. Young, of the general manager's office, was in Joplin on business on the 14th of May.

G. W. Moore, assistant superintendent of motive power, in charge of the car department, and M. McCaffrey, general car foreman, were here May 13th.

A. S. Abbott of Salem, Mo., who was here on the 10th of May, visiting his brother-in-law, C. L. Seanon.

Graduation days are here.

Six Frisco daughters and one Frisco son graduate from high schools and one Frisco son graduates from the University of Michigan. This is indeed a thing to be proud of and we congratulate them all.

**OFFICE OF AGENT  
PACIFIC, MO.**

MACK COTHAM, Reporter

Clement Mullins, son of Denny Mullins, engineer on the switcher at Pacific, is in the City Hospital, St. Louis, account of a fractured arm, received in an automobile accident May 3rd. We sincerely hope Clement will be out soon.

Clayton Sandifer, fireman, of Newburg, has displaced Roy Gallahorn on the switcher at Pacific.

John F. Glaze, switchman on the Pacific switcher, celebrated his 25th birthday, May 14th. Conductor Huckins presented him with a lovely red lollipop. Congratulations, "Burr"!

Of all things—our agent, W. B. McEvilly, at Pacific, has been elected president of the newly organized Lions Club. He's the big lion's paw now. He extends an invitation to all Lions to come to Pacific June 8th for the Lions Club charter night. Big feed!

Uncle Billy Morrill, of Pacific, made a business trip to Washington, Ind.

Miss Maud Snyder, roadmaster's clerk, at Pacific, who has been off account of the illness of her father, returned to work May 18th. During her absence Regina James, of Springfield, relieved her.

Mrs. C. R. Sallee, wife of third trick operator at Pacific, returned from the hospital May 6th and is getting along very nicely.

Harrison Wills, passenger agent, St. Louis, attended the Lions Club meeting at Pacific, May 18th, to line up the boys for the Carthage Convention of the Lions International, May 25th.

Harry Essman, second trick operator at Pacific, is sporting a new Essex. We were expecting to see Harry in a new Chevrolet, but it turned out to be an Essex.

**SOUTH TRAIN YARDS  
SPRINGFIELD, MO.**

JESSE L. BRANDON, Reporter

Bud Yelvington, coach repair man, is improving nicely from a recent operation. Louis Bunch has been working for him.

Son of Frank J. Brown and his family of Emporia, Kan., have returned home after visiting in Springfield for some little time.

Mrs. Jesse L. Brandon is at present in Claremore, Okla., taking the radium water treatments.

Dorothy May Pittman, twelve, daughter of Walter Pittman, was honored with a party on a recent birthday. Although confined to her room by sickness, she enjoyed the party that was held on the lawn beneath her window. Twenty-two little friends were entertained.

**LINDENWOOD CAR DEPARTMENT**

D. F. TOBIAS, Reporter

To you who scanned these pages last month for items of car department origin, we offer our most humble apologies. Will try not to let it happen again.

Car Inspector Herbert Schutte returned to duty April 27th after a visit in Fort Worth and other Texas places of interest. It was his good fortune to make the visit when the famous Texas Bluebonnet was in bloom.

Yard Officer Wm. J. Webb is off duty, account the serious illness of his mother.

L. D. Simpson returned to work April 27th after a long siege of rheumatism. His usual wide smile is evidence of victory.

Don't forget the boat trip June 17th. And wear your best booster smile.

The new train 31 is continuing a successful venture, arriving daily on time and in most instances ahead of schedule.

Adam Jurata is filling the place of Oiler W. J. Webb while he is off account sickness.

Alr Man August Hansen has waived his seniority in the freight car department, preferring his new position at the Jefferson Avenue Coach Yards.

Car Repairer E. F. Vance has ordered passes for himself and family, contemplating visits with relatives and friends in Texas and at Kansas City.

Three cheers for April! No personal injuries among the freight car workers at St. Louis.

**GENERAL YARDMASTER'S  
OFFICE—OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLA.**

S. K. HORNUNG, Reporter

George Minnick, former car distributor at Oklahoma City, and later agent-operator at Jones, Okla., has left the service of the Frisco and is now in the grocery business, associated with his brother, Bob, at Oklahoma City.

Brakeman W. C. Bryant was injured in a peculiar accident a few days ago. Mr. Bryant was rear brakeman on train 432; train stopped to take siding at Daggett, Okla., and he got off caboose to flag. Just as he got off train and started back, the train backed up and Mr. Bryant was dragged under the caboose. At this writing Mr. Bryant is getting along fine, no bones having been broken, but he was severely bruised.

We have had several changes in the clerical force the past few weeks. First, Mr. Albert Swindell, one of the oldest clerks on this division, resigned to enter the postal service. Mr. W. G. Fulks, interchange clerk in this office the past several years, bid in Mr. Swindell's vacancy as assistant cashier. Mr. J. W. Barkalow, second trick yard clerk, bid in Mr. Fulks's vacancy, and Mr. L. M. Lee returned to Oklahoma City from Bristol as second trick yard clerk.

Mr. Nat Burch, who has been first trick operator at the east yard for the past three years, is now second trick operator at Lawton, Okla., the operator at the east yard being discontinued. We have no operators at the east yard now, but send our wire business by messenger to the Union Station.

Mrs. P. D. Sheehan, wife of General Yardmaster Sheehan, Mrs. R. S. Nance, wife of Conductor Nance, and several other Frisco people went to Tulsa May 12, to attend the opening of the new Union Station there.

Chas. Vandlver, former car clerk in the car foreman's office, Oklahoma City, was a visitor recently. Mr. Vandlver is now with the National Thrift Company.

We have handled one circus and one carnival during May. The 101 Wild West Show loaded and moved via Frisco from Oklahoma City to Tulsa, May 4, and the Dodson World Fair Shows moved Oklahoma City to Claremore, enroute to Council Bluffs, Iowa, May 14. The 101 Show had 24 cars, and the Dodson Shows had 30 cars.

P. D. Sheehan, general yardmaster, is now grandpa, a son having been born to his son's wife at Tulsa, Okla., a few weeks ago.

**BACONE, OKLA.  
LOCAL NO. 31**

N. T. RISNER, Reporter

Local No. 31 met the first Friday night in May. Our local is 100 per cent, and we always have a good attendance. Busi-

ness was taken up in order and some interesting letters were read from Mr. Burgess, our general chairman.

Everyone agreed to do their work in keeping up their part of the business.

Everyone has taken great interest in seeing that our engines are A1 when they are delivered.

M. T. Caughman was on a fishing tour last week-end. He reported a small catch, but as they were under size, he threw them back until another season. We believe they were under weight as well as under size.

Those fish stories are always interesting. There is one from Mr. Clyde Frazier, a machinist laborer, who reports a fishing experience with Mr. Charley Woods.

**OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLA.**

J. L. MORTON, Reporter

Supplyman J. L. Cowger and family visited with Mrs. Cowger's mother at Anadarko, April 18 and 19. They report an enjoyable trip and several "country feeds."

W. S. Melvin, rip track airbrake man, went to El Reno, April 28th, on personal business.

Floyd Callis, coach cleaner, and family and Tom Sullivan motored to Turner Falls, May 2nd and stayed over May 3rd. They reported a nice outing.

Lee Decker, second shift coach inspector, and family attended a birthday dinner, given in honor of Mrs. Decker's brother, John Lyters, at Edmond, April 26th. Had a great time and a sumptuous spread at noon day.

W. P. Myers, first shift locomotive inspector, visited with his parents at Sapulpa, May 2nd and 3rd. Mr. Myers, like all of us, likes to go back to the old home.

We extend our sympathy to Car Inspector C. H. Lawer and family, account of the death of Mrs. Lawer's father, U. S. Grant, which occurred April 20th. Mr. Grant had lived here since 1900. He had been a city peace officer the past 10 years.

R. C. Frederick worked in Mrs. Lawer's place at that time.

J. N. White, coach cleaner, returned to work April 22 after being off sick about three weeks. Glad to see you back, John.

J. L. Cowger, supply man, and family, went fishing on the North Canadian, near Chickasha, May 2 and 3. Jim reported a good catch, but we didn't get the proof.

W. A. Jackson, coach cleaner, visited with his mother and sister at Sulphur May 10. A very appropriate way to observe Mothers' Day.

M. Hunter, machinist, and family spent May 2 and 3 with relatives and friends at Carnage. Part of the time was spent fishing in the Washita river. Quite a number of catfish were victims of Mr. Hunter's angling prowess.

George Wright, rip track daborer, and family visited with Mrs. Wright's brother at Norman May 10.

W. R. Doster, mill man, and sister visited with a friend near Yukon May 10.

Ivan Reed, machinist and wiper, spent May 2 and 3 with Mrs. Reed's parents at Fayetteville, Ark.

Wanda, daughter of ye scribe, has been ill several days from an attack of malaria. She returned to school May 12.

Mrs. G. C. Papin, wife of triple valve man, has been in the hospital for some time. She is slowly improving, but it will be some time before removal to the home. Mr. Papin's son, Emmitt, has just undergone another major operation for the removal of a tumor from his abdomen. He is doing nicely just now.

T. J. Fahey, locomotive pointer, and family spent May 3 with Mr. Fahey's sister at Sherman, Texas. Mr. Fahey formerly worked for the Frisco at that point. He met a number of old acquaintances while there.

H. H. Griggs, apprentice, went fishing north of the city May 3. He brought back quite a string of the finny tribe.

W. S. Melvin and Floyd Callis motored to Turner Falls May 10. Just had to take advantage of an ideal afternoon for motoring.

Paul Purcell, boilermaker, underwent an operation for the removal of an ingrown wisdom tooth. Said the operation caused him very little inconvenience.

We extend our sympathy to Lee Horder and family at this time, account of the death of Mrs. Horder's mother, who passed away May 16. Mr. Horder is a machinist at the roundhouse.

We are glad to report that Helen, 9-year-old daughter of John Cantrell, boilermaker, is slowly recovering from an operation for appendicitis. She was stricken in February and is just now able to walk about.

Dence Howard, cellar packer on second shift, and family, visited with relatives and friends at Francis May 12 and 13.

Lon DeMott, coach painter, from Tulsa, is working here temporarily, doing some painting which will add greatly to the appearance of passenger trains operating out of here.

L. E. Chaney, coach cleaner, expects to return to work May 21. He has been away from work since March for an operation for appendicitis. Glad to see you back, Lonnie.

A. K. Watters, coach yard air brake man, is planning a short vacation at Ft. Worth in the near future. Mrs. Watters will visit with relatives and friends at Aldrich, Mo., soon.

Wm. Burgess, machinist, and family will vacation in California.

Engineer P. L. Pearson returned recently from an extended trip in the Northwest. Enjoyed his vacation very much.

Engineer G. J. Westphal and family will vacation in the East. They expect to stop at St. Louis, Cincinnati, Lexington, Ky., Kenova, W. Va., and intermediate points. Not a bad tour.

Engineer G. J. Summers will go to Oakland, Los Angeles and San Diego for his vacation.

Engineer W. A. Gorman will vacation in the Northwest, principally in Washington.

Albert Chase, genial traveling instructor, was with us week of May 5. As far as we know he found our records in excellent shape.

Traveling Oxweld Instructor Sharpe called on us May 12 and 13. Mr. Sharpe "brushes us up" on the fine points in the use of the acetylene torch.

R. Sloan, traveling piecework checker, was with us May 14. Exceptions noted were few.

Master Mechanic R. B. Spencer, General Car Foreman E. L. Phelps and Chief Electrician C. Le Flaene called on us May 14. Quite a party for one day.

Wm. Temple, storeroom day counterman, motored to Lovell May 10 and returned the 11th. Says crops in that region look wonderfully promising. Mr. Temple's daughter has been very sick, but is much improved at this time.

S. D. Pollock, storeroom trucker, is building a new house at 2001 Northwest Thirty-fifth street. A housewarming for "Dud" will be in order soon.

O. S. Momony, storekeeper, rests a part of each Sunday now. The former working arrangement kept him at the storeroom the greater part of every Sunday.

F. N. Jones, machinist, spent Sunday, May 17, in Tulsa.

Joe Sims, coach cleaner, is the proud owner of a new Ford coupe. These model A Fords appeal to all of us.

The Frisco Baseball Club at this point has developed winning ways; since being defeated in the season's opener. Here is our record in the Twilight League to date:

Frisco, 4; Film Exchange, 7.  
Frisco, 12; Railway Express Co., 3.  
Frisco, 14; Cotton Growers Club, 3.  
Frisco, 6; Steffens Dairy, 1.  
Frisco, 6; Film Exchange, 4.  
Frisco, 7; Phi Beti Chi Fraternity, 3.  
Frisco, 11; Railway Express Co., 5.  
Out-of-town games:  
Frisco, 10; Lexington, 5.

Frisco, 3; Lexington, 4.

The latter eleven innings.

"Bob" Bonner and Denny Howard work alternate games in the box, with Jake Keerce catching. Gene Shortridge and Jim Morton formed the batteries in the out-of-town games.

We are, indeed, grateful to A. U. Landrum, state manager for the Old Colony Life Insurance Co., with offices located here, for presenting our club with twelve new uniforms. The shirts bear the Frisco name on the front and the name of the insurance company on the back.

## LOCAL NO. 19—MEMPHIS, TENN.

LARRY V. GLASS, Reporter

C. J. Miller, machinist is driving a new Ford coach.

M. P. Reed, machinist and daughter spent two weeks at Long Beach, Cal.

J. R. Perry, tool room attendant, has been on the sick list.

Harold Wall, machinist apprentice, has a new Whippet coach.

Otto Kettman, machinist and wife, and little daughter, May June, motored to Paris, Tenn., and spent a week with relatives. They report a wonderful trip.

Mrs. C. C. Hall, wife and little son and daughter of machinist are spending two weeks with her parents in Mullins, S. C.

J. M. Meador, boiler inspector, has returned after spending ten days loafing around in Oklahoma City, Dallas and Fort Worth, Texas.

The B&B department are recharging all the fire extinguishers at Yale.

Geo. Campbell spent the last of April and the first of May doing some work at Thayer, Mo.

There has been a lot of painting going on around Yale and everything looks a lot better. Geo. Campbell, water service man, has his place cleaned up, and painted everything.

Last, but not least, we had with us at our last class meeting, C. H. Dingman, traveling locomotive inspector. Mr. Dingman was in charge of the class. There were sixty-one attending this meeting. Everyone agreed this was a most interesting class meeting, and we all want to thank Mr. Dingman, and want him to come again, and we all will be there. After the class meeting the supervision at Yale treated all the men with refreshments at the Yale Yard Cafe. Thanks.

## LOCAL NO. 18—BIRMINGHAM, ALA.

W. A. MYERS, Reporter

Charles Kennedy, pipefitter, has been quite ill the past few days. We learn that he is improving and hope he will be back at work with us again soon.

C. Flack, welder, and Talmadge Purdy, machinist, made a trip to Memphis last Sunday to see the ball game. While there they visited the shops at Yale, where they were royally entertained by the supervision and shown all through the shops. They reported a fine time.

John Early, machinist helper, was stricken a few days ago. He was immediately taken to Saint Vincent's Hospital, where it is reported he is now improving somewhat. We all wish him a speedy recovery to health and hope he will be back at work with us again soon.

J. W. Surlis, superintendent motive power, was here last week checking over the equipment.

Clyde Hart, machinist apprentice, is visiting relatives in Springfield, Mo.

T. L. Purdy and Dan Cosby, machinists, thought they would try their luck at fishing recently when they made a trip to Lake Purdy. But we are of the opinion that about all they caught was a bad cold. They didn't even have a good fish story to tell when they came back.

George Sprague, traveling locomotive inspector, was here last week checking

the valve gear on the 4200 class engines.

We are glad to report that Virgil Andrews, first trick caller, who was confined to the hospital in St. Louis for quite some time, is back on the job again.

The stationary boilers of the power house are being overhauled at the present time. Steam is being furnished temporarily by an old locomotive boiler converted to oil burner until the repairs are completed on the power house boilers.

We were all sorry to lose Jack Blaine, water service man, who was transferred to Thayer, Mo., recently. We wish him much success in his new duties.

Pete Crouch, night electrician, and Mrs. Crouch are visiting relatives in Tennessee. Gene Purdy is filling the vacancy.

## LOCAL NO. 20—HUGO, OKLA.

F. D. KNIPP, Reporter

Several friends were the guests of H. G. Tittle, sheet metal worker, for the past few weeks.

R. D. Walker, machinist, and H. F. Marcum, third-class machinist, report they went fishing the other day and caught 165 pounds of fish. They brought me one of the small ones and it weighed 25 pounds.

Lonnie Hope, roundhouse clerk, made a flying trip to Dallas the other night. He had several flats on his way back and of course the next morning he was late for work.

Hugo Tinsley, machinist, and Dick Williams, third-class machinist have been transferred to the day job. They have a hard time getting along without a torch.

Noah Fields, third-class boilermaker, is trying hard to get new members for the band. He is trying to get one man to play three different instruments.

H. E. Burgess general chairman, paid Local No. 20 a visit a few days ago. I believe Mr. Burgess found things running along smoothly.

## LOCAL NO. 7—FORT SMITH, ARK.

H. W. CLAYPOOL, Reporter

We enjoyed a visit from H. E. Burgess recently, which made us feel like old times were back again. We are always glad to see you, Mr. Burgess.

J. B. Maledon, first-class machinist, has been transferred from the last shift to the day job on account of heavy work piling up in the shop.

C. N. Moore, second-class machinist, recently spent a week fishing and enjoying himself in a general way.

J. N. Coley, blacksmith, and W. Priest, blacksmith helper, bumped in on the car department job after their job was abolished at the roundhouse. They report lots of work keeping both car shop and roundhouse blacksmith work going.

C. I. McFadden and O. G. Laws, triple rack men, spent a day on the creek with "Mae" reporting that he landed an 8-pound cat fish. Oh, yea!

R. L. Maledon, second-class machinist, entered the company hospital to undergo treatment for his stomach.

L. W. Caviness has returned to work again and says he feels fine. He can't say too much for Mayo's clinic, where he made two trips.

Another 4000 off the drop pit after a class 5 overhauling and another on.

Business is picking up again, with the Southern Pacific delivering green wrapped tomatoes to us at Paris, Texas. Latest reports show something over 1,300 cars, which go as far as St. Louis and Kansas City via Frisco.

## BACK SHOP NEWS

ALEX WATT and GORDON YOWELL, Reporters

I. N. Fretz, lead man in the blacksmith shop, is back on the job again