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**A RESTAURANT FOR RAILROAD MEN**

Few of the patrons of a large railroad system are conversant with the daily routine of the army of employees who run the cars, keep them clean, clear the tracks of ice and snow, take care of stations, fix the detail lights, and perform daily the duties in all their complexity of detail which are necessary to insure the safety and comfort of the passengers. These duties are always pressing—on Sundays as well as week days, since there can be no holiday for the railroad. Three hundred and sixty-five days in the year, the railroad man serves the public—in fair weather and in foul—and few indeed there are who enjoy the comfort and assured safety of the modern railroad, who stop to think of the thousands of toilers, by night and day, who are making this most luxurious dream of modern science an accomplished fact.

The far off red light that burns on blustering winter nights is lighted by a signal man. The switch over which the trains pass and rattle is cleared and watched regardless of the weather. Long hours of service, wrestling with the elements—a strain on both the mental and physical organism—these are the conditions which railroading imposes and which men in that service must bear.

The Chicago North Shore and Milwaukee Railroad is well aware of these conditions. It has a large force of men, many of whom have spent the greater part of their lives in its service, and the company, not unmindful of this unique record, is doing what it can to mitigate the rigors of railroading. In other words, here is a company which is something more than an octopus, which aspires to be human and would like to be accredited with a soul.

One of the first things to do for a man is to feed him, and feed him well, so thought Mr. Britton L. Budd, and he thought right. Through his instrumentality a large restaurant has been established in the basement room of the large office building of the company at Highland where the employees of the electric road can get their meals at cost. It is a place of comfort, of warmth, and light, where men can foregather in an atmosphere of cleanliness and social relaxation in a short half hour for lunch in place of the old-time dinner pail and the boiler room. The printed menu tells them they can have their choice of pork chops, ham and eggs, or a small steak together with potatoes, bread, and coffee, tea, or milk for the sum of thirty cents. Soups and wholesome deserts in proportionate prices complete the bill of fare.

This commissary is under the management of Mr. Thomas Welch, brother of E. C. Welch, who for many years had charge of the Casino at Ravinia Park. According to his statement between three hundred and fifty and four hundred men take their meals daily in this dining room of the company.

Such marked consideration of a railroad company for its employees in these days when the soullessness of corporations has aroused the righteous indignation of the whole world, should not pass without some public commendation.

**DELIVERY BOYS KEEP OUT**

In driving casually about the streets of our native town, we do not like to be confronted by signs and orders. We are on the point of turning in to the home of a friend—just to pass the time of day—when a sign confronts us forbidding our dog to enter. A series of signs seen just ahead along the drive may discourage us from entering with children, so we leave the dog and children at the gate to be on the safe side. There is something so awe inspiring about signs when one is on his neighbor's ground.

Later on we are ordered off the grass and told not to pick the flowers. A timid person would not venture farther, finding his individual liberty so restricted. The bolder spirits, however, are likely to persevere until the sign, "No Trespassing," meets the eye, when they too will turn back to their waiting children and the unruffled serenity of the family dog.

Unique among these little "verboten" set up by those who prefer the formidable to the hospitable, is one which reads: "Delivery Wagons Keep Out." It is a left-over from those ante-bellum days in which delivery boys were so plentiful they could be picked from every tree. They simply swarmed our places. They besieged us with free deliveries—a bar of soap in the morning, a spool of thread at noon, two loaves of bread at four o'clock, and a bicycle order of radishes at six.

In those days of surplus man-power, we could expect the delivery boy to leave his wagon on the street and carry a heavy box of groceries for a block. We could take note of the ice man—so picturesque when bending under a dripping two hundred pounds—winding in and out, the length of a long drive. But we must keep the ban on the ice wagon. It might crumple the grass beside the drive!

Times have changed. Grocery boys and ice men have gone to serve their country in a blaze of glory, and their plodding round will know them no more. No longer do they swarm the highways or stand in the street and beseech us to accept the parcels which we have ordered. Instead we go after the things ourselves and make a desperate effort to get them all at once so we shall not be obliged to go back again. We walk the streets with our baskets, wait in rows, cart or carry, each after the manner of his kind.

And when, in struggling under our unaccustomed load, this sign confronts us, we smile and wonder why, in these days of conservation, they do not use the thing for kindling wood; for it has lived beyond its time. It is obsolete, and functionless as gills on the professor's parrot.

But if, on the other hand, the sign habit has become a necessity of our existence, we might at least strike off something more up to date, more in keeping with the present situation. We would suggest, "Delivery Boys Please Come In."

**LOCAL AND PERSONAL NEWS**

Mr. W. J. Lawther, who has been ill for the past week, is very much improved.

Mrs. Clyde Hise has returned from the east where she stayed with her husband in Camp Merritt, N. J., until he left for France later visiting her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Boynton Johnston, in New York.

The Leo Carlson residence on Birch Hill avenue, Highwood, was struck by lightning during the storm Saturday evening. Very little damage was done, the whole amounting to about one hundred dollars.

Miss Adah O'Key of Chicago spent Sunday and Monday visiting Mr. and Mrs. Fred O'Key.

Sergeant Ray Garrity of Camp Grant spent Sunday with his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank G. Hoyle will close their summer place Dec. 1 and return to their apartment at 120 East Twenty-first street, Chicago.

Corporal John Kelly of Camp Grant spent Sunday with his mother, Mrs. Mary Kelly.

Mrs. Clifton G. Alexander has gone to Pasadena, Cal., where she will spend the winter months.

Mrs. Horace Williston Sherman and four little daughters will leave next Thursday for Lakeland, Fla., to spend the winter.

Leslie Allen and Dick Martin spent Saturday at Ravenswood, with the Boylan boys.

Mr. Wetherhall of Oconomowoc, Wis., is visiting his daughter, Mrs. George Pritchard.

Elliott D. Moore, who is attending the S. A. T. C. at Lake Forest College, spent Sunday with his aunt, Mrs. Frank Laing.

Ensign and Mrs. Saunders will occupy the Miles cottage on Cary Avenue for the winter.

Eddie Therrien spent the week end in Deerfield visiting friends.

Elmer Therrien has recently returned from Beaver Falls, Pa.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Larson and two children were the Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Ball of Evanston.

Lloyd McCaffery of Camp Grant spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. C. McCaffery.

Mrs. G. Wonder and daughter of Peru, Ill., are the guests this week of Mrs. Mary Ehrenfeuchter of Prairie Ave.

Mrs. F. C. Williams and daughter-in-law, Mrs. Howard Williams, have gone to Boston for a brief visit with friends.

Mr. William Guyot is spending the week in Olney, Ill., visiting friends.

Mrs. Elisha Gray left last week with her daughter-in-law, Mrs. David Gray, for Corning, N. Y., where she will visit her son.

Mr. and Mrs. Forest Cummings of Indianapolis, Ind., were the week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Cummings.

Mr. and Mrs. Lucius Calkins and daughter, Eleanor, and Mr. K. Marks of Chicago were the Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Thayer.

Mrs. J. B. Frances, formerly Miss Joy Miller, was called to Fort Oglethorpe, Ga., owing to the serious illness of her husband, Lieut. Frances. While there Mrs. Frances was taken ill with influenza.

Mrs. H. E. Roberts has returned from La Grange, Ind., where she has spent the past two weeks. Mrs. Roberts' sister, Miss Brown, who has been spending some time in Virginia, is expected home in a few days.

A meeting of the G. C. C. and other girls who have tickets to the dances will be held this evening in Trinity Parish house. Be sure to attend.

Mrs. Walter Cope spent the past week in Chicago visiting friends.

The name of Dorothy Gardner was omitted from the list of names recently published of the names of the successful winners of badges given to the girls who tagged for French wounded.

Mrs. J. H. Stipe returned from Minneapolis, Minn., Monday, making the trip by auto.

The young people of Campbell Chapter O. E. S. will give an informal party, Saturday evening in Masonic Hall. All members of the order are cordially invited to be present.

There were seven hundred eighty seven subscribers to the United War Work Campaign, at the Chicago No. Shore R. R. Company and the total amounted to \$5,256.50.

Miss Eryl Thompson of Lake Bluff spent yesterday in Highland Park visiting her school friends.

Kenneth Melville, who has been stationed at Great Lakes for the last year, left yesterday morning for overseas service.

Mrs. Frank R. Cain will leave Sunday morning for New York where she will embark for overseas service with the American Red Cross.

Sunday, Mrs. Irons and daughters, Irma and Artemize attended the funeral of Mr. Mowers of Chicago.

Claude Shreve, who was ill with pneumonia during the epidemic, has had a relapse and is again at the hospital at Great Lakes.

Miss Alice Knox, who has been suffering the past week with the eczema, is very much improved.

Mr. and Mrs. Willis Tarr are now living in Highland Park with Mr. Tarr's parents.

As we go to press word has been received by Mrs. Frank R. Cain that owing to cancellation by the Red Cross Commission in Europe, a requisition for personnel disregards summons to report at New York. Mrs. Cain will not leave Sunday as she intended but will await instructions here.

The Rev. Frederick L. Gratiot, curate of St. James' Church of Chicago, formerly curate of Trinity Church of this city, is a guest of Miss Elizabeth Towne this week. Mr. Gratiot is convalescing from a recent attack of the influenza.

Mrs. Alfred Scott Young of Chicago is visiting Mrs. Jessie H. Boyer at her home, Shoreacre, on N. Sheridan Road.

The Busy Workers' Club met Wednesday afternoon after school with Miss Catherine McCauley, Leader, and Miss Marion Norcross, assistant. Fifteen girls were present at this, the first meeting since the epidemic, and the enthusiasm shown by the busy little workers as they fashioned scrap books for invalid soldiers was admirable.

Scrap books will be made for several Tuesdays and anyone having magazines with bright pretty pictures or good stories are asked to leave them at the Y. W. C. A.

The Scouts under Mrs. Ralph Bard meet Friday after school and are busy on the popular work of making scrap books.

They intend sending their work to France when it is finished—these books are a joy to see and the labor of love and patriotism displayed by these girls is so worth while.

One of the Junior clubs is busy on knitted squares made from pieces of yarn which will be made into a quilt later on.

Do not throw away small pieces of yarn but bring them to the Association where they will be made up into something practical.

The Vesper service last Sunday was addressed by Mrs. Dr. Fritsch who talked to the girls on self-control and brought a hopeful message to all present.

Darline Jones provided the music. Next Sunday the service will be in charge of Miss Edna Schultz and a cordial invitation is extended to all.

Miss Frances Fritsch gave a party for her Sunday School class Saturday afternoon in the gymnasium of the Y. W. C. A. which was enjoyed by all.

The Sunshine Club under Miss Priscilla Noerenberg held their first meeting this fall on Wednesday afternoon. The work for the winter was mapped out and new members welcomed.

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possible completion the classification of men of 18 and from 19 to 36.  
It is understood that demobilization is also a task instructed to them.  
What the Orders Say  
Mr. Dickson's orders, which are a restatement of orders from Washington, in substance are as follows:  
Discontinue physical examinations, but continue to earliest heard work up to and including Sept. 12, 1918.  
Ending of the military part of the draft board's work brings to a conclusion one of the most fascinating patriotic tasks the war has afforded—participation in the machinery of the world's first purely selective draft.