

### MAKE FIRE SURVEYS

#### Underwriters Make Survey of Fire-fighting Facilities of 375 Cities at Own Expense

The public has no conception of the great service rendered by the National Board of Fire Underwriters and its related and subsidiary organizations, including the Board of Fire Underwriters of the Pacific, and absolutely at their own expense," says J. B. Levison, president, Fireman's Fund Insurance company. A recent report of the national board shows that during the past year surveys describing the efficiency of water systems and fire departments, and the fire resistant qualities of buildings, have been made of Baltimore, Boston, Cleveland, St. Paul and Atlanta; and on the Pacific coast, of Seattle, Salt Lake, Oakland and Berkeley. Reports have been made on 375 cities to date.

During the same period, engineers from the Board of Fire Underwriters of the Pacific completed surveys of seventy-nine cities and towns. In forty-eight of these, the fire insurance rates were reduced, based on compliance with the required standards. In seventeen cases the rates were increased for non-compliance and in fourteen no change was made.

New water works, accompanied in many instances by improvements to distribution systems, have been completed or are under way in Buffalo, Washington, Baltimore, Tampa, St. Petersburg, Kansas City, Houston, Dallas, Seattle, Tacoma, Bellingham, and in various cities on the east side of San Francisco bay in California.

#### Install New Systems

A complete new fire alarm system has been put into service in Los Angeles and Stockton, California, and Kansas City, Missouri and the new fire

alarm central stations and equipment have been installed in various eastern, southern and Pacific coast cities. National board engineers have been consulted in all of these improvements.

City officials continue to depend on the National Board of Fire Underwriters for acceptance tests of auto-

mobile pumping engines. It has been active in the campaign to promote standardization of fire hose couplings. About 1700 cities and towns have been standardized, and everything indicates that in a comparatively short time this practice will be universal. The board is actively cooperating with the Cham-

ber of Commerce of the United States, in the development of the Inter-Chamber Fire Waste Movement which is now functioning in 446 of our leading cities.

Work of this character is of such great public benefit that its value need not be enlarged upon.

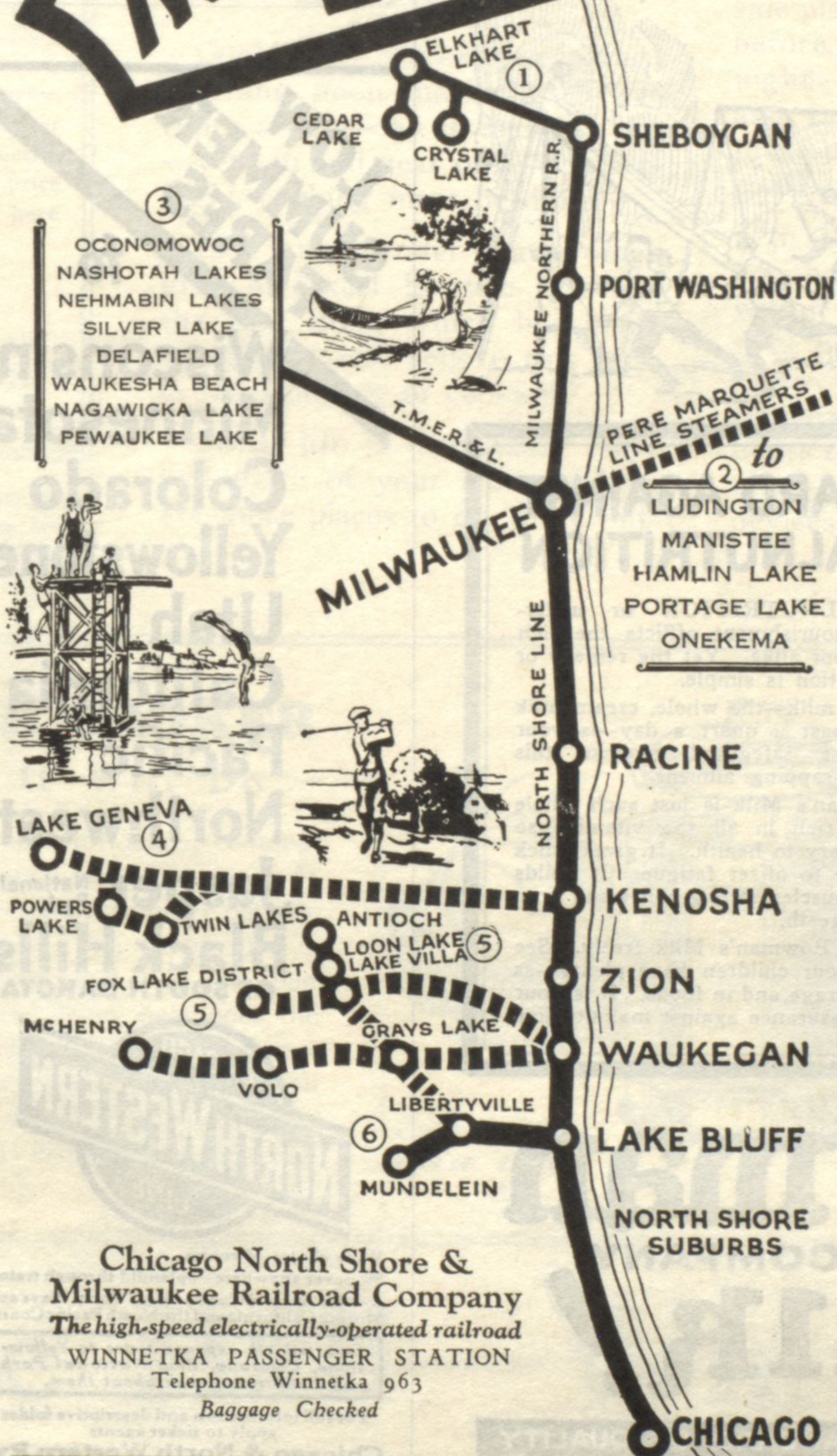
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