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THE WOES OF THE RAILROAD BOYS

Rules and Laws Buzz About His Head and Safety First Haunts Him All the Time.

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A new brakeman is given a permit to learn the road. He rides freight trains for about ten days, becoming thoroughly confused with the many stations, grades, tracks, etc. on possibly three to five hundred miles of track. The men he comes in contact with help him materially in his development by teaching him rule "G," or sending him for a left hand monkey wrench or a "jack" to "jack up" the pop valve. All of which serves a purpose—that is, it develops him into a hard-balled brakeman.

Usually it takes from one to three years to learn the physical characteristics of say three hundred miles of railroad. Even an experienced trainman is handclapped until he acquires the knowledge of grade signals, capacity of tracks, their names or numbers, their use, etc. All this is just "A" to the old experienced men who are only concerned about the finer points of train movement, such as the running time between stations which varies with the capacity of your engine, or the weight and character of the train you happen to be running. Its condition, the weather, etc. All have to be considered as a determining factor. Then its movement as compared with our schedule, the schedule of superior trains, their rights under both the standard and block rules, time-table rights and special orders, etc.

There are times when your decision must be made in seconds. A movement once begun must be completed within the time limit, or you must protect your train with a flag ahead, or possibly in both directions. Any delay to either your own or the opposing train will have to be explained later to the "Super" and he is not in the habit of accepting any excuse for a delay of even a few minutes to the higher class trains, and does not hesitate to apply discipline or censure in cases where you use bad judgment.

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LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Rev. Clyde E. Baucom will preach at Antioch Baptist church Sunday morning at eleven o'clock.

Rev. M. D. L. Prealar will preach at Sardis Baptist church Sunday at 11 o'clock.

All public schools of the county, both white and colored, will open Monday, October 29th.

Unionville High School will open Monday, the 29th. All patrons of the school are urged to have their children in on the first day.

Rev. T. J. Huggins asks The Journal to announce that Rev. R. L. Patrick will preach at Weddington next Sunday morning at eleven o'clock.

Mr. Ed Collins, one of the largest land owners in Union county, bought a nice Player Piano from Holloway's Music House yesterday.

The Woman's Auxiliary of Siler church will give an ice cream supper and cake walk at the church Saturday night.

There will be a variety supper at Beulah in Sandy Ridge Saturday night of this week, for the benefit of the church. All are invited.

Mr. E. A. Helms of Buford township will celebrate his seventy-sixth birthday on Saturday, the 27th. The public is invited to attend and carry baskets.

Mr. John Fullenwider will hold a civil service examination at Monroe postoffice on Nov. 10 for persons wishing to qualify for the position of clerk-carrier.

Rev. J. W. Quick, the pastor, will preach at New Hope Methodist Protestant church Sunday afternoon at 3:30. This will be his last appointment for the conference year and every member is expected to be present.

The hearing of the case of M. H. Moody, who took ten year subscriptions to the Progressive Farmer for two dollars and a half, was set for today, but was postponed till November 2nd, when a representative from the office of the Progressive Farmer is expected to be here.

Mr. Blair Bivens has bought out the interest of his brother, Mr. Curtis Bivens, in the grocery business of Bivens Brothers, and will continue at the same stand. Mr. Curtis Bivens began last spring with chickens on a rather ambitious scale and has quite a farm down in Buford township to which he will give much of his attention. Bivens Brothers have been in business several years and have built up quite a nice trade in their stand on Main Street.

On Sunday last the children and grand-children of Mr. H. M. Furr of Goose Creek assembled at his home and celebrated his sixtieth birthday. A number of friends also were present, and the day was spent pleasantly. Mr. Crowell Swain, a blind musician from Charlotte, and Mr. William Muse, also of Charlotte, the latter a musician of the old time, and both gave some good music. Rev. Mr. Strider made a very beautiful talk. A number were present from Monroe and Charlotte.

"Tea for Three," an American comedy, will be presented by the Piedmont Lyceum Bureau on Tuesday evening, October 23rd, at the high school auditorium. The play is by Roi Cooper Mervin, author of "It Pays to Advertise," and is said to rival that hilarious success, "Tea for Three" was presented only the past season at the Maxine Elliott Theatre in New York City and had a most successful run. The high school students are putting on the play. Popular prices will be made—25c and 50c.

The fourteenth annual stockholders' meeting of the State Bank of Wingate was held in their banking room Tuesday, October 16, at three o'clock, p. m. The officers of the bank made a most gratifying report of the elected to serve for the next twelve months: R. A. Morrow, W. M. Perry, J. W. Bivens, W. A. Chaney, J. C. McIntyre, G. M. Stewart, S. W. Hinson, J. L. Austin, John H. Williams, R. L. McWhirter. The directors then elected the following officers to serve the ensuing year: R. A. Morrow, president; W. B. Perry, vice president; G. C. Lamb, cashier; Miss Blanche Chaney, assistant cashier, and John C. Sikes, attorney.

Idea! Taking Man's Still, Him Not At Home!
Officers J. L. Griffin, Wayne Bridges, Gail Hollifield and E. L. Houser made a raid in Polk county Monday afternoon and captured a 90-gallon capacity still and destroyed about 300 gallons of beer. Fire was under the plant, but no one could be found.—Rutherfordton Sun.

trains, which meant slow movement and long hours on duty.
At the present time only the coal or mine roads are using big engines. The live commerce of the country is being handled by small engines in short trains which means rapid movement. Now over time can be figured in minutes and our main pay is for miles, not hours, whereas prior to five years ago the hours exceeded the miles.

Here's proof. Prior to about five years ago crews were tied up on the road after sixteen hours of duty, as required by the federal law to have eight hours rest in the twenty-four. Then they continued the trip at forty cents a mile. The policy of all trunk line roads was big engines and long

The Presidency Might Spoil Henry Thinks Tom Edison

New York, Oct. 17.—(By the Associated Press.)—Thomas A. Edison, electrical wizard, in one of the first interviews he has ever granted newspaper men, spoke today of the presidential possibilities of his friend Henry Ford and declared that it would "spoil a good man" if the nation sent Ford to the white house.

Mr. Edison expressed the opinion the automobile manufacturer was more valuable to the nation as a private citizen and then turned to the prediction made recently by Charles P. Steinmetz, inventor, connected with the General Electric company, that electricity would eventually reduce the working day to four hours. With this opinion Mr. Edison agreed.

Not Sure Four-Hour Day Good.
Mr. Edison, however, was not sure that the four-hour day would be a good thing for the nation. He expressed fear that too large a leisure class would be created and that this would have a bad effect, particularly on the young.

The interview, an impromptu affair, held after Mr. Edison had appeared as guest of honor at a luncheon given by officials of the Edison company of New York, was reminiscent of the inventor's much discussed questionnaires submitted to his prospective employees. He was surrounded by a group of newspaper men who laid down a barrage of questions which he answered smilingly. Commenting on the unpopularity of new ideas, Mr. Edison declared that it took from seven to 40 years from the initial demonstration of a beneficial device to its ultimate acceptance.

"I made the first dozen typewriters," he said, laughing, "and it took me seven years to convince the public they wanted them and then another three years to sell them."

Takes 40 Years for Idea.
Within a very few years, he said, coal could be transformed into electrical energy at the mines and distributed throughout the country in high power transmission lines, doing more quickly and efficiently the work now performed by the fuel after long haulage and many handlings. Transportation costs and the various other charges now connected with getting fuel energy to the consumer would thus be obviated, he said.

"Why, I have been advocating this for 40 years," he said. He added that he recently had discussed the prob-

Rev. W. B. Chedister of Montreat will preach at Beulah Presbyterian church next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock; at Salem at 3 p. m.; and at Pageland at night.

Rev. E. A. Wallace, new Presbyterian pastor at Indian Trail and Siler churches, has arrived with his family from Lancaster, Texas, and has taken up residence in the mahoe at Indian Trail.

A flat price of 22 cents per gallon for all points in North Carolina where bulk stations are established was announced by the Standard Oil company officials at Charlotte Wednesday.

City Treasurer J. H. Boyte gives notice that he is preparing bills for paving assessments that are due and must collect them, even by legal process if necessary. Bill for each zone will be sent separately.

ANTIOCH NEWS ITEMS

Unionville Route 2, Oct. 16.—Rev. Jonah Simpson of Unionville preached at Antioch Baptist church Sunday morning at 11:00. He preached a very interesting sermon, his subject being "Self Justification."

Rev. Clyde E. Baucom of Wingate will preach at Antioch Baptist church next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. Everybody invited to attend. Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Tarleton and son, Belk, of the New Hope community spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Tarleton.

Mr. and Mrs. John Green of Charlotte spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. George Green. Mrs. D. L. Love returned to her home Saturday after spending the week with relatives in Concord. Mr. and Mrs. J. M. York, Mr. and Mrs. J. Luther Baucom visited Mr. Baucom's mother, Mrs. M. S. Baucom, Sunday afternoon. Mrs. Baucom has been on the sick list for the last week. They found her much improved, we are glad to report.—Marietta.

Meeting of Colored Teachers

All of the colored teachers of Union County are requested to meet in the colored graded school building in Monroe next Friday, October 26th at ten o'clock. All colored teachers should attend this meeting. If there are some teachers who have not yet secured schools, it would be well for them to meet also for school committees will be present to employ teachers. Remember the date, Friday, October 26th at ten o'clock in the graded school building in Monroe.

RAY FUNDERBURK

You Keep Her, Chief!
Notes: Whiskey found. Owner can get same by describing quantity and place found and paying six months' on roads.—Chief Police.—Roxboro Courier.

CREDITORS SUE FOR WEDDINGTON CLAIM

J. H. Myers Lumber Company, Monroe Hardware Company, W. L. Hemby, J. E. and J. W. McCain of this county, and a number of others from different places, have brought suit in the superior court of Union county against the Weddington Industrial Institute, the Board of Education of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, the Western North Carolina Conference, and R. G. Laney, Trustee, and the Bank of Union, for claims against Weddington Industrial Institute, totaling some fifteen thousand dollars, with interest. The largest claim is that of W. L. Hemby, which is for \$3,500, for cash advanced. The next largest claim is that of J. H. Myers Lumber Company for \$2,300 for building supplies. Other claims not included are expected to be added.

The suit has been filed by Vann and Milliken and J. C. Sikes as attorneys for the plaintiffs, and summons issued, returnable before the clerk on October 29th. R. G. Laney and the Bank of Union are included in that the plaintiffs seek to set aside a deed of trust given to the bank by the trustees of Weddington Institute for money borrowed and have this claim put on the same footing with other claims.

In brief, the complaint alleges that the board of education of the conference and the trustees of Weddington Industrial Institute were acting as agents of the conference or of the whole church, or both, and that the building was being done as a part of the general educational program of the church, and so announced, published statements being that about seventy thousand dollars was to be expended on buildings. But the work was suddenly stopped in 1920 by the refusal of the defendants to advance money, and that all the debts have been made in good faith and on the strength of the purposes stated.

Now the plaintiffs ask that Weddington Institute be placed in the hands of a receiver and its affairs wound up, that the sale of the property be had and the proceeds used for the liquidation of the debts, including that due the bank and others not yet coming in, and that such are not paid by this means must be paid by the Conference or the General church which ever be found to be responsible.

Babe's Neck Broken in Bed.
Hanging by the neck with his head caught between the cross bar and the springs of the bed in which he had been left, Dugald Craig, six-month old son of Mr. and Mrs. Nell M. Craig, was found dead by his mother late Tuesday afternoon at the home in Sharon township, five miles from Charlotte. The child had been left lying on the bed when his mother went to the garden for some vegetables. Returning, she seated herself in another room to prepare the vegetables, placing her chair so that she could glance through a doorway occasionally to see the baby.

Upon looking up from her work after several minutes, Mrs. Craig perceived that the infant was not in the position in the center of the bed in which he had been left. Horrified, she saw after running to the bedside that the child had been caught by the neck at the foot of the bed. His neck was broken.

Little Boy Falls From Barn Loft and Breaks Ankle.

(Deane Ritch)
Stouts, Oct. 18.—Our neighboring town, Indian Trail, seems to be very exciting. Mr. and Mrs. Joe Moser and family, and Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Sutton moved there. We were sorry to see these good people leave.

Mr. Clyde Ritch was seriously sick at his home here last week. He returned to Charlotte on Monday somewhat improved.

Mr. Murphy Conder has been visiting at his home here. He travels out of Charlotte.

Little Samuel Locke Yandle, son of Mr. and Mrs. Warren Yandle had a very serious accident recently when he fell from the barn loft breaking his ankles. He was given treatment at the Ellen Fitzgerald, and he is able to be home now.

I enjoyed the talk which was made by Mr. W. B. Love at Indian Trail last Sunday afternoon. He had a very vivid personality as well as a forceful delivery.

Mr. John Conder of Charlotte spent the week-end at home.

Mrs. J. T. Hargette of Stouts and Mrs. Dick Gurley of Shaleton spent last Wednesday with Mrs. Cora Fundurburk of Indian Trail.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Blackwell and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Ritch and family visited their uncle, Mr. J. P. Ritch here last Sunday. They were all from Charlotte.

BELMONT NEWS

Belmont, October 18.—The people around Belmont are progressing nicely with their work. Most of them have their fodder pulled, and only a few white cotton patches.

Mr. Thomas Helms and family of Unionville spent the day Sunday with the former's brother and family, Mr. Noah Helms of Jerome community.

Mr. W. G. Long and wife of Belmont and Mrs. James Long of Honesdale, Pa., and Mr. William Wiley of Belmont community spent last Sunday afternoon with Mr. J. G. Conell and family.

Mr. J. R. Price of Ellerbe was a visitor here Thursday.

Mr. T. M. Wiley spent the week-end with his folks at Wingate.

WAXHAW PEOPLE GO OUT TO TEACH

A Number of Young People This Year Join Educational Forces —Neighbor DeLaney.

By O. E. Cunningham.

Waxhaw, Oct. 18.—"If you have to cough and sneeze, do it behind your hand/cheek, please."—Bulletin.

"The man who corrects me in an error is my friend, and the man is pretty close to a fool who objects to being set right."—Bulletin.

Miss Hilda Morgan of Monroe visited Miss Clifford Nesbit last Sunday.

Misses Beatrice Crowell and Martha Shotwell of Monroe were weekend visitors of Miss Willie Lou Crowder. Miss Shotwell is teacher in the Dixie school.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Byrum and little sons, Frank, Jr., and Woodrow Wilson, motored to High Point to visit relatives over Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. S. H. Moser of the Bethlehem section, father of Mr. H. T. Moser of Waxhaw, has been here with Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Moser, quite sick for some time.

Mrs. R. N. Nesbit is convalescing. Mr. J. W. DeLaney, formerly of Waxhaw, now of the Providence section, was on our streets yesterday, shaking hands with friends in the old style, and talking cotton. The writer and his family had the pleasure of living as a close neighbor to Mr. and Mrs. DeLaney a twelve month, and found them kind and obliging neighbors. When you move again, come back to Waxhaw, Mr. DeLaney.

The Adams Transfer Motor Co. of Boone has been on our streets at different times this fall offering a very fine quality of cabbage and good apples for sale. Thanks to good roads and the auto. Let's use it to transfer men and things and not make it an instrument of slaughter.

Mr. Henry Collins, one of Waxhaw's most substantial citizens, and our stock dealer, has just received a car load of fine mules, all the way from Nebraska,—bone dry and good immigrants.

The schools and colleges have drawn right heavily on the Waxhaw young people this fall, of which fact we are glad and proud, although we miss them so much.

Miss Rena Tillman is at Hamlet, teaching in the graded school there, this being the seventh year at Hamlet. Miss Elsie Davis is with the High Point graded school for the second year. Miss Elviga McCain is at Lexington graded school. Misses Annie Lynn and Clyde McGuire will teach the Beulah school, Lanes Creek township. Miss Ruth McCain is teaching at Lucama, N. C. St. Mary's, Miss Louise McCain at Sims, N. C., and Miss Mary Cunningham at Saratoga high school, Wilson, N. C.

The following are attending school: Miss Janie May Steele, and Misses Lucile and Annie May Walkup, daughters of Mr. Daniel Walkup, Waxhaw Route 1, are at Due West, S. C. Misses Ellie Nesbit and Walska Blythe are at East Carolina, Greenville, N. C., Miss Blanche Carter at Wingate Junior College, Miss Mary Ervin McCain at Queens College, Charlotte. There are others of whom we will write as we have information.

Little Heath Memorial church, possibly the youngest and the weakest, pastor Crowder's baby church of Waxhaw circuit, has the honor of coming forward first and presenting the pastor with a clean sheet, sending him on to Conference with a light heart.

No man in the good county of Union is more cordially received, and universally so, in Waxhaw than Dr. W. R. Burrell of Monroe. Yet we hear that a few nights ago, (and not as a K. K.) he slipped in, and gathering a select number together, with closed doors, they had a "Feast of soul and flow of reason." Look out, Dr. Cyclone Mack is coming, and with open doors and a free pass we'll catch up.

Aunt Sudie Commends Two Young Men.

I feel like I want to say something good and encouraging about two young men who roomed with me this summer and who are now students in the A. and M. College of Mississippi. They were so energetic and so determined to accomplish something that I feel like commending them as an example to many of the young men of Union county who may be struggling to make their way through and prepare themselves for usefulness in life. They were T. V. Adams and E. A. Currey. They were selling and giving away Bibles. They were going through college and they sold \$4900 worth. They would get up Monday morning before day and light out to the country. They were polite and nice and made friends with every one. And on Sunday instead of washing their time they would go to Sunday school and preaching. They made me happy by their cheerfulness and happy ambition. They seemed to look up to me as a mother and I miss them. I am glad that they were able to take a nice little sum back with them to pay their college expenses. I am sure these good, hard working boys will make useful men.

AUNT SUDIE.

If we could see ourselves as others see us we wouldn't believe quite all we see.