

Rail oddities

\$1,000 REWARD

A prominent publisher of books for children has offered to pay \$1,000 for proof that the classic children's story, "The Little Engine That Could," appeared in print prior to 1911.

"ALL TRAINS LOOK OUT FOR BUFFALO HERD ON RIGHT OF WAY NEAR FIRST CROSSING WEST OF GRAYLING." So read a train order sent by a railroad on May 3, 1955, to a train crew operating in an area about 80 miles south of Butte, Montana. This was probably the first such warning sounded in 75 years.

Railroads haul fresh grapes farther than any other commodity. The average carload of grapes (shipped in refrigerator cars), travels more than 2,500 miles.

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Tar Heels Inquire Most About Own State; New Yorkers 2nd

North Carolinians, closely followed by New Yorkers, were the most frequent seekers of information about the Tar Heel State last year, records of the State Advertising Division of the Dept. of Conservation and Development show.

The bulk of 125,634 inquiries about the State in 1955 were about its vacation attractions, Advertising Director Charles Parker said, but the division also responded to many requests for general information. During the year inquiries came from all 48 states, the District of Columbia, and 96 foreign countries and territories.

The 10 states producing the most inquiries are: North Carolina, 18,488; New York, 15,097; Ohio, 8,477; Pennsylvania, 8,207; New Jersey, 6,351; Illinois, 6,168; Michigan, 5,051; California, 4,387; Virginia, 4,017, and Florida, 3,413.

Canada led the foreign countries by a wide margin with 1,851 inquiries; Spain was second with 195. The other top ten were in order: Indonesia, 145; Brazil, 143; Argentina, 27; Iraq, 126; England, 97; Turkey, 68; New Zealand, 67; and Belgium, 62.

With Our Boys In Service

25th Div., Hawaii — Army Pvt. Joe L. Morgan, 24, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank W. Morgan, Route 1, Mars Hill, recently arrived in Hawaii and is now a member of the 25th Infantry Division.

The "Tropic Lightning" division is continuing its post-truce training program using valuable experience gained in Korea.

Morgan, a clerk-typist at division headquarters, last served at Fort Sam Houston, Texas.

A 1954 graduate of Berea (Ky.) College, he was a teacher in Mendota, Ill., before entering the Army last September.

Folks who put money into a reserve fund today are putting independence into their old age.

A woman in her twenties is an example of perpetual motion — at thirty appears arrested motion.

Iron curtain satellites heard from included Czechoslovakia, 9 and Bulgaria, 3, but the Advertising Division received no mail from the Soviet Union proper.

FORESTRY-U.S.A.

AVALANCHES TO ORDER

SLIDE AREA KEEP OFF

EVERY WINTER THE BATTLE IS ON. WARNING SIGNS ARE POSTED AND AVAILANCES ARE TRIGGERED OFF WITH EXPLOSIVES OR GUN FIRE, TO SPEND THEIR FURY HARMLESSLY.

AVAILANCES ARE THE SCOURGE OF HIGH MOUNTAIN SKI AREAS. ON GUARD AGAINST THIS THREAT TO SKIERS ARE U.S. SNOW RANGERS, THE NATIONAL SKI PATROL AND SKI-LIFT OPERATORS.

SNOW SETS MARK

Caribou, Me. — More than 15 feet of snow fell in this northern Maine community during the past winter, which according to the Weather Bureau, was a record. The previous record fall was in the winter of 1951-52, with 15.24 inches of 11 feet.

SEND

The NEWS-RECORD
To Your Boy in Service

WHY Not Send The Home Paper to Your Absent Son or Daughter?

It Helps To Cure Homesickness



GMC brings you the most impressive improvements of all 1956 trucks

Now we can show you these great new GMC's that are further than ever ahead of all others. Their advances not only clinch power supremacy—but reach into fields still unexplored by other truck-makers.

For example, GMC's Road Shock Damper Suspension*—plus a unique new stabilizer—produces in half-ton models a ride comparable to the finest passenger car.

An optional new fast-ratio cruising axle in light-duty GMC's gives you an overdrive's pace and economy without its cost.

Sharply increased engine displacement in both sixes and V8's gives you a power family unsurpassed in

the light-duty field. Specifically, we offer 14.4% GREATER displacement on 6-cylinder models, 16.2% on V8's than our nearest competitors. And GMC V8's, mind you, match the shortest stroke ratios in the truck industry.

Styling is well into the future—panoramic windshield to sand-tight tail gate. Tubeless tires, of course. And a 12-volt electrical system is standard. These are some of the strides presented in new 1956 Blue Chip trucks we now have on view. The values are even more notable. Come in and get the facts!

*Standard on Suburban; optional at slight extra cost on other 1/2-ton models



See us, too, for Triple-Checked used trucks

Roberts Pontiac Company, Inc.

Marshall, N. C.

Dealer Franchise No. 2868

Fun in the Sun with a Toothbrush



Nine-year-old Guillermo Ardon finds it fun to begin his day with a wash and brush up. He is one of thousands of school children for whom a toothbrush, towel, soap and comb are shaping a change as a result of the health education program launched by the Government of Honduras with \$40,000 worth of UNICEF assistance and additional sums supplied by the Inter-American Cooperative Services for Agriculture, Education and Public Health. The Government, which itself plans to spend \$37,500 a year on the program, opened its first demonstration project at a sunny, well-equipped school at Danli, some 50 miles from Tegucigalpa, capital of Honduras. When in full swing, nutrition and hygiene will form part of the normal daily curriculum in 100 schools throughout the country.

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