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**HOW A CONDUCTOR BECAME TRAIN BOSS**

By GEORGE PECK

The other evening I took a railroad journey from Piermont, New York, to Dunkirk, New York, with Robert E. Woodruff, President of the Erie Railroad Company, who sat with a megaphone and called out the points of interest along the right of way.

There were some very distinguished passengers aboard that train. Mildred Fillmore, President of the United States and Daniel Webster, Secretary of State, were but two of the many important personages who were my travelling companions.

No, I wasn't dreaming. I was listening to Erie President Woodruff describe perhaps the most unique journey in all railroad history; the first long distance trip ever made in the United States, commencing on the morning of May 14, 1851, at Piermont, 26 miles above New York City, and ending on the shores of Lake Erie at Dunkirk, New York, on the afternoon of May 15, 1851 - a distance of 427 miles.

Mr. Woodruff recited the details of this trip so realistically that the three hundred of us who listened, felt we were actually aboard, blazing a new trail with President Fillmore and Daniel Webster.

There had been a lot of sweat and worry to make this journey possible. The work was begun in 1835. It was a gigantic undertaking, through a wild, wooded and uninhabited country, from the Hudson to Lake Erie. There had been many disappointments. Money was hard to raise, even though the communities that were to benefit by the building of the railroad, had helped by giving land for station sites and right of way.

The completion of this 427-mile stretch of railroad in 1851, is an outstanding example of what free American enterprise can accomplish. As I listened to the account of the struggles of those early railroad builders to lay a right of way through the wilderness it struck me to them is due considerable of the credit for the "miracles of movement" now being performed by our American railroads.

Would that I could give you the details of that first long railroad trip, but space does not permit, except to state that the journey was completed without mishap, on schedule and that a good time was had by all of the three hundred passengers.

Mr. Woodruff told one very amusing anecdote about "Poppy" Ayres, the jovial 300-pound conductor of that train. It seems that "Poppy" in addition to being a first rate conductor, was also an inventor of no mean ability and a gentleman who knew how to handle his fists.

Some years before, "Poppy" had rigged up a device to signal his engineers. It consisted of a rope running to the engine, with a stick attached at the engine end. When "Poppy" wanted the engineer to stop the train he would pull on the rope and the stick would jump. His engineer, Hamel - the first engineer on the New York and Erie by the way - felt that he was at least equal to, and possibly superior to the conductor. He ran the engine didn't he? Consequently, he refused to accept any orders from "Poppy" and several times cut the stick down.

Finally "Poppy" lost patience. Following one of Hamel's refusals, he went forward to the engine at the next station stop and thoroughly licked the engineer. "Poppy's" stick was never interfered with again, and thus was the precedent firmly established which has placed the conductor in complete charge of the train on American Railroads.

**Micro News**

Pfc. and Mrs. Cecil Pittman of Fort Sill, Oklahoma, and Sgt. Ernest Pittman of Bedford, Mass., are the guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jasper Pittman.

Mrs. Lillie Long is spending a few days in Baltimore, Md., with her daughter, Mrs. Margaret Haas.

La Verne Batten visited Marjorie Braswell in Wilson last week.

Pvt. Leland Batten of Aberdeen, Md., is spending a 21-day furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Batten.

Carl Creech of Norfolk, Va., spent Tuesday with his mother, Mrs. Sudie Creech.

R. H. Pittman and family visited Mr. and Mrs. Walter Capps in Goldsboro Sunday.

Mrs. T. H. Griffis of Raleigh is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. L. J. Worthington this week.

Miss Doris Faye Hinnant, student at Mary Washington College, is spending a few days here with her parents, before entering summer school.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Lynch and children of near Selma, were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Davis Sunday.

T. Sgt. Harvey Creech returned last week from overseas to spend a few days with his wife and other relatives.

College students home for the summer are Misses Ruth Boykin, Mildred Wellons of E. C. T. C. Greenville and Edna Earl Creech of A. C. C. Wilson.

Lt. and Mrs. James Batten who were recently married left Monday night for California.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Pearce and daughter, Geraldine, attended the birthday dinner of Harvey Wellons near Princeton Sunday.

Homer Wright visited friends in Goldsboro Monday.

Eugene Braswell is spending a few days with his grandparents. Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Braswell, near Princeton.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Herring and children spent the week end in Wilson with relatives.

Mr. Fred Batten accompanied his daughter, Mrs. Leland Boswell, of Kenly, to Winston Salem Thursday.

Gamaliel Batten of Wilson spent the week end at his home near town.

Miss Josephine Collier left Friday to enter Rex Hospital as a student nurse.

Mrs. Joe Newcome is taking treatment at the Johnston County Hospital.

Mr. Gaston Pittman has pneumonia and is very ill in the Johnston County Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Jasper Pittman had as their dinner guests Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Heath of Raleigh, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Brown of near Selma, Pfc. Albert Smith of Camp Butler, and Mrs. Smith of Selma, Pfc. and Mrs. Cecil Pittman of Oklahoma, Sgt. Ernest Pittman of Bedford, Mass.

**Revival To Begin At Baptist Church**

A series of meetings will begin at the Baptist church Sunday morning and will continue thru the week. The pastor, Rev. L. E. Godwin invites the public to attend.

**Woman's Auxiliary of F. W. B. Church Meets**

The Woman's Auxiliary of the F. W. B. Church held their regular monthly meeting with Mrs. Ner Hatcher Wednesday afternoon.

Topic for the month, "Our Debt of Gratitude to Those Who Have Made Him Known to Us."

The president, Mrs. Hatcher, presided over the meeting, several ladies taking part on the program.

There were 13 members present.

After the business, the hostess, assisted by her daughters, Mary and Rosie, served a salad course with ice tea.

The June meeting will be held with Mrs. M. Hinnant.

**Mrs. Cecil Pittman Honored At Shower**

Saturday evening Mrs. L. C. Davis and Mrs. Jasper Pittman entertained jointly at a miscellaneous shower at the home of Mrs. Pittman honoring Mrs. Cecil Pittman. Mrs. Pittman was the former Miss Sylvia Young of Princeton.

Guests were greeted by Mrs. L. C. Davis who also introduced them to Mrs. Cecil Pittman and to Mrs. Albert Smith, also a recent bride.

The living room was attractively decorated with blue and white hydrangeas. Miss Geraldine Pearce directed several games and contests. Miss Jean Young, Miss Gay and Mrs. C. W. Pearce were the winners.

The hostesses, assisted by Misses Frances Jean Davis and Geraldine Pearce served chicken salad, pickles, sandwiches, cakes and lemonade.

The bride received many beautiful and useful gifts. Good-byes were said by Mrs. Davis and Mrs. Jasper Pittman.

**Micro School Presents Graduation Program**

On May 30, 1945, the Seniors of Micro presented their graduation program in the School Auditorium at 9:30 A. M.

Special music was played by Miss

Bessie White while the class and the Mascots, led by Miss Geraldine Sullivan, marched very slowly up to the stage. After being on the stage the audience sang "Onward Christian Soldiers."

The graduation proceeded by having the President's talk by Mr. Lelon Mitchell. His talk was to help boost education.

Then we heard what we always look forward to "the last will" by Miss Marjorie Jones.

Our valedictorian, Rosa Hatcher, who did so good during school did wonderful on her speech for education.

The presentation was made by the president to Miss Evelyn Hill, the 12th grade teacher who was presented a gift of putting forth such a faithful patronage toward the seniors.

To our principal, Mr. L. J. Worthington, for not leaving good old Micro High School, was presented a \$25 War Bond and a billfold from the whole High School.

Our principal then presented us the most precious gift, our diplomas. Those that received diplomas were: Miss Marjorie Jones, Miss Eula Mae Jones, Miss Rosa Hatcher, Miss Marjorie Nell Watson and Mr. Lelon Mitchell.

Scholarship awards were then made to the following:

From the 9th Grade - Dorothy Fitzgerald.

From the 10th Grade - Leon Pittman.

From the 10th Grade - John Russell Wellons, Lacy Godwin.

From the 11th Grade - Griffis Worthington.

From the 12th Grade - Rosa Hatcher.

The class song, "So Goodbye," was then sung by the class. The program was then ended by the Recession.

**THE DAY OF GRADUATION**

It was the morning of graduation, when on the stage, Not a Senior was happy, not even of age. The diplomas were ready to be given with care, In hope that all Seniors names could read there.

The Seniors were sad, but still at their best While the diplomas lay on the desk. With a word of good cheer, and a twist of his head, He lead the Seniors to know, they had nothing to dread.

And the speaker in his position, and the seniors in their caps, Had just settled down to follow the good maps.

When behind the stage there rose such a chatter, I sprang from my seat to see what was the matter.

When what to my wondering eyes should appear, But my senior teachers full of tears, As I drew back my head and turned around, I heard my name with a loud sound.

With the seniors around me, and a speaker in front, I knew the diploma would make me jump. Then he called the Seniors by their names, And they got their diplomas as they came.

When he called out my name, I gave a sigh, Received my diploma, for I said goodbye to Micro High.

By LELON MITCHELL.

**SOMEWHERE IN PACIFIC**

JAMES HAYWOOD HICKS, S 1-C, son of Mrs. Ada Hicks of Princeton, entered the Navy on May 22, 1944. He received his training at Camp Wallace, Texas, San Diego, California. He left for overseas duty in October. He is stationed somewhere in the Pacific. His wife, the former Miss Grace Naron, lived on Route 1, Selma, N. C.

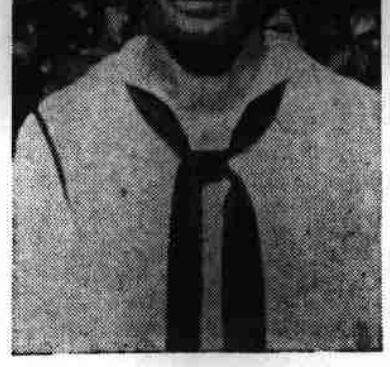
**Mrs. Wade Atkinson Hostess To Book Club**

Mrs. Wade H. Atkinson delightfully entertained the members of the Friday Afternoon Book Club and a few additional guests at a buffet luncheon Tuesday at her cottage near Selma.

An artistic arrangement of mixed summer flowers decorated the living room and dining room where the guests were received. The hostess was assisted in serving the delectable luncheon by Mrs. B. M. Robertson, of Clayton.

Following the luncheon, hearts dice was played at four tables. Top score was made by Mrs. G. F. Brietz, who was presented a crystal vase. Runner-up was Mrs. R. D. Oliver, who received a handkerchief. Mrs. Robertson was given sashet for throwing "hearts" most number of times. Consolation prize, a box of black pepper, went to Mrs. W. P. Aycock.

Those present were: Mesdames W. H. Call, G. F. Brietz, W. T. Woodard, G. D. Vick, S. P. Wood, R. D. Oliver, Paul H. Starling, E. V. Woodard, Raleigh Griffin, W. P. Aycock, E. N. Booker, Charles H. Boyd, R. E. Earp, Miss Blanche Mitchiner, all of Selma, and Mrs. B. M. Robertson of Clayton.



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**Revival In Progress At Crumpler Cross Roads**

A revival is now going on at Crumpler's Cross Roads Church of God, on Route 2 from Selma. Public is invited to attend these meetings. Sister Serrels of Durham, better known as Sister Pool of Selma, is doing the preaching.

Song service starts at 8:30 p. m. and preaching begins at 9:00 p. m.

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 Donald O'Connor Peggy Ryan  
 PATRICK THE GREAT

WEDNESDAY, June 13 -  
 Billy Gilbert Shemp Howard  
 CRAZY KNIGHTS

THURS.-FRI, June 14 & 15 -  
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NOTICE OF SERVICE BY PUBLICATION  
 North Carolina, Johnston County. In The Superior Court Before The Clerk.

Ophelia Tart et als.  
 Vs.  
 D. E. Baggett, and wife, Mary Baggett, Julia Baggett Hard and husband, James Hard, W. T. Royals, and wife Margaret Royals, Jerome Royals, Marcus Royals, John D. Royals, Bernard Royals and all other persons claiming any interest in the estate of Thenia Williams, deceased.

The defendants above named will take notice that a special proceeding entitled as above has been commenced in the superior court of Johnston County to sell lands for partition; and the said defendants will further take notice that they are to appear at the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of the said county in Smithfield, North Carolina on July 2, 1945 or within ten days thereafter and answer or demur to the petition in said proceeding or the plaintiffs will apply to the court for the relief demanded in said petition.

This 30th day of May, 1945.  
 H. V. ROSE,  
 Clerk of Superior Court.  
 7, 14, 21, 28.

NOTICE!  
 The undersigned having qualified as Administrator on the estate of William D. Lee, deceased, hereby notifies all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to me duly verified on or before the 25th day of May, 1946 or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery; and all persons indebted to said estate will make immediate payment.

This 17th day of May, 1945.  
 MRS. PEARL C. PERKINS,  
 Ridgcrest, N. C.

NOTICE!  
 The undersigned having qualified as Administratrix on the estate of Mrs. Eleanor C. Stancil, deceased, hereby notifies all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to me duly verified on or before the 24th day of May, 1946 or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery; and all persons indebted to said estate will make immediate payment.

This 17th day of May, 1945.  
 MRS. PEARL C. PERKINS,  
 Ridgcrest, N. C.

NOTICE!  
 North Carolina, Johnston County, In Superior Court.  
 Daniel Benson  
 vs.  
 Ruby Tilton Benson.

The defendant above named will take notice that an action as entitled above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Johnston County to obtain a divorce on the grounds of two year separation; and the said defendant will further take notice that she is required to appear before the Clerk of Superior Court of said county in Smithfield North Carolina on June 28th, 1945 or within twenty days thereafter and answer or demur to the complaint in said action, or the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief demanded in said complaint.

This 26th day of May, 1945.  
 H. V. ROSE,  
 Clerk of Superior Court.  
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 (All Hours War Time)  
 9:30-Four Oaks School  
 11:30-E. G. Blackman  
 1:30-Riverside  
 3:30-Rains X Road

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 6, 13, 20, 27  
 9:30-Creech's Store  
 11:30-Pleasant Grove Community House

FRIDAY JUNE 8, 15, 22, 29  
 9:30-Scott's Store  
 11:30-Flowers X Road  
 1:30-Emit  
 3:30-Stancil Chapel School

Every Tuesday from 10:00 to 11:30 - Kenly  
 Every Tuesday from 2:00 til 3:50 - Benson (Bank Bldg).  
 Every Wednesday from 2:00 til 3:50 - Clayton (Town Hall).  
 Every Saturday from 9:30 til 11:30 - Smithfield (Health Department).

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