

Railroad News of Interest

THE ENGINEER

By CHRISTOPHER MORLEY
In Ladies' Home Journal.

The seven steel-ribbed coaches
Draw smoothly to the shed,
And you and other passengers
Now hurry home to bed;
You've done your easy hundred miles
In ninety minutes clear—
Then thank the man who brought you,
The old gray engineer.

Your hope, your love, your children,
The prayers that you have prayed,
Lie in his faithful fingers
On trestle, curve and grade;
By crossing, draw and culvert
His leaping engine roars,
And clear as altar lamps he sees
The green-lit semaphores.

Unthanked and unremembered,
He holds your life secure;
His service does not falter,
His hand and eye are sure;
A thousand tons go flashing
Along that ribbon slim;
The roar of his tall driving wheels
Is very like a hymn.

His miracle of power
Is terrible and swift;
Farewells and lovers' meetings
Are equally his gift;
In starlight or in snowstorm,
A priest of creed austere,
He brings you home in safety—
The old gray engineer.

CHARLEY WYKOFF IN SUNNY FRANCE

Located in Beautiful Town Only Two
Hours' Ride From Spain—Flowers,
Sunny Climate and Girls.

Corporal C. F. Wykoff, former Alliance railroad man and member of the Alliance volunteer fire department, is now located in sunny France. In a letter written to the editor of The Herald, he has the following to say:

"Dear Friend Lloyd and Bro. A. V. F. D.:

"Well I have been in France one and one half months, most of the time moving around from one camp or fort until I guess we are permanently settled in southern France close to the Mediterranean sea and two hours' ride from Spain. I believe it is the prettiest part of France—flowers and sunny climate, and oh yes, French and Spanish girls. Oh boy, we are sure setting pretty, for we are the first Americans who have ever been here, and only forty-eight of us at that. You can imagine our predicament in a pretty large town.

"Of myself personally, I am in the best of health and working ten hours every day, except Sunday. I am boiler-maker for America in the round house boiler shops. There are three of us, two in the back shop and myself in the round house.

"I had a little hard luck, lost my rank thru transferring from Camp Cody, but started up again. I am what they call a lance corporal—the same as corporal, only \$3 less pay.

"Well hoping you and the rest, who are left, are as contented as myself, I will close with best regards to all.
Your friend,
"L. Corporal C. F. WYKOFF
"19th Engineers R. R.
"A. E. F., France."
O. K.—H. E. Webber, 1st. Lt. 17th F. A.

W. J. Brandon, former pipe fitter at the Burlington round house, has arrived in France safely with the 31st engineers. Mr. Brandon, at a contest

put on by President Wilson in Washington, was awarded first prize.

Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Ogden returned to Alliance this week to make their home here. Mr. Ogden has been working for the Burlington railroad at Ravenna for some time and returned to Alliance because of an attack of chronic appendicitis.

Mrs. L. A. Bashky will take a trip to Omaha in a short time.

Fireman A. B. Wheeler and wife are going to Hot Springs for a little recreation.

Mrs. W. D. Knibbs, daughter and son are going to Orchard, Neb., soon on a visit.

Mrs. H. Rennan is going to Curtis, Neb., to see how the folks are on the ranch.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Drain are going to spend the fourth of July at Indianola, Neb.

Labor Foreman A. Ferguson made a business trip to Moorecroft, Wyo., the first of the week.

George Hicks of Ravenna, was a pleasant caller at the round house the other day.

Reports from Mystic, South Dakota, say that Johnnie Parsons and party are having good luck catching fish.

Roundhouse Foreman H. H. Urbach and family are going to take a trip to the coast via the northwest.

Two more crews were taken out of the pool Tuesday of this week. J. J. Rogers took a division engine in the Edgemont yards and C. J. Young the daylight coach job in the Alliance yards.

Mrs. J. A. Edwards and daughter and Mrs. George Johnson and daughter went to Peoria, Ill., Tuesday night to see the boys before they departed for France.

Master Mechanic G. O. Hwekett spent the middle of the week on the west end of the division.

No. 41 this morning and No. 43

today had double headers on account of two soldier trains coming. They will run thirty minutes apart and be in Alliance about 7 and 7:30 a. m. Friday morning.

Road Foreman J. T. King, of the Sterling division, was in the city today on company business.

Engineer W. J. Mahoney and wife are going to Yates Center, Kan., to visit homefolks, also to Camp Funston to see Mr. Mahoney's brother, Tom, who used fire here.

"Red" A. M. Richmond leaves tonight for Omaha to make a short stay before he enlists in the army.

Mrs. Fern McFarland has gone to Fremont for a few days' visit with relatives. Mrs. Harry Baird is in her place.

Locals

George Mentzer, right hand at Bud Schaefer's for the past year in the vulcanizing department, has been called in the next draft. Mr. Mentzer and wife left Tuesday afternoon for Douglas, Wyo., where they will spend a few days pending Mr. Mentzer's departure for American Lake, Washington, with the Wyoming contingent. Mrs. Mentzer will make her home with her parents at Douglas during Mr. Mentzer's absence.

The B. Y. P. U. gave a party on Tuesday evening at the home of Miss Dora Coker for Miss Ruth Layton in honor of her approaching marriage. It was an informal party and light refreshments were served. All who were present enjoyed themselves immensely. Miss Layton was presented with a silver salad fork set. A general shower was given Wednesday for Miss Layton at the home of Mrs. Ray Stansbury.

Anson L. Furman, of Marsland, and Miss Edith Rowley, of Alliance, were quietly united in marriage at 11 a. m. last Monday at the Baptist parsonage, with a ring ceremony Rev. A. A. Layton officiating. Mr. Furman lives on a ranch a few miles from Marsland, and Miss Rowley has been teaching a school in the country near that place. The young people will make their home at Mr. Furman's ranch.

A. B. Sturgeon, of the Sturgeon garage, left for Omaha last Sunday evening on a business trip. Mr. Sturgeon will drive back a new Paige car, as the Sturgeon Bros. are making arrangements to handle this car along with the Reo and Maxwell.

Miss Marion Sheldon, of Hyannis, and Miss Ruth St. Claire, of Lincoln, were in Alliance during the latter part of last week, visiting with the Mote girls. They returned to their homes on Saturday.

Miss Dora Johnson, of Lincoln, came to Alliance Saturday to visit her mother, Mrs. E. E. Johnson, for the summer. Miss Johnson has also been visiting with her sister, Mrs. Hughes, of York.

Mr. Morris will speak Sunday morning on "The Teachings of Jesus." The subject in the evening will be "Some Things in Which We Glory." Everybody is cordially invited.

Crop conditions throughout Box Butte county were never better than at the present time. From all indications bumper crops in practically every farm product is assured.

Otto Zamzow, proprietor of the Horace Bogue store, left Saturday for the east where he will spend several days buying new goods and attending to other business matters.

I have a lot of cornmeal not fit for table use that I will sell for feed at 3 1/2c per lb. A bargain, at the A. D. Rodgers' Grocery.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank O. Rowe became the proud parents of a baby boy, born Wednesday noon. Dr. Peterson reports mother and child doing nicely.

Saturday, June 22d, at Alliance, Coursey's Big Auction on Household Goods. Rare bargains.

Charles Safford and Mr. McHue were in Alliance last week and returned to their homes in Scottsbluff and Bayard last Saturday.

Mrs. Percy Cogswell left Alliance on Monday for North Platte, where she will attend the P. E. O. convention.

Harry H. Brake and Miss Rose N. Conway, of St. Louis, were married last Saturday, June 15, by Judge Tash at the county court house.

A twelve-pound baby boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Jake Ploth, of South Alliance, on Saturday, June 15.

William Sowers, from Hyannis, is in Alliance for a few days on business and renewing old acquaintances.

Mrs. Thomas Ackerman went to Crawford Saturday to visit her sister over Sunday.

FOURTH DAY OF CHAUTAUQUA, JULY 10

Pamahasika's Peerless Performing Pets

The Greatest Troupe of Educated Animals and Birds that the World Has Ever Witnessed



Members of the Thomas family, of which Philip M. Thomas is one of "The Thomas boys," have just received word from him since he started for Manila. Philip arrived there May 6. He was well, but his entire company was quarantined for the mumps. His address is as follows: Philip M. Thomas, 10th Co., C. A. D., Fort Mills, Manila Bay, P. I.

Examination for the position of letter carrier at the Alliance postoffice will be held on July 13. This examination is open to all persons between the ages of 18 and 45. The entrance salary is \$1,000 per year commencing July 1, 1918. This is a good opportunity for the right person to get a good position without delay.

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Harold S. Thomas, another one of "the Thomas boys" who has just completed the army course in the radio school at the university at Lincoln, has been sent to Plattsburg barracks, N. Y., for further training before he leaves for France. His family will make their home in Lincoln.

Chadron Journal: Supt. Pate, of the Alliance city schools, arrived in the city. Mr. Pate is well known in western Nebraska for his activity along educational lines. He will do instruction work in the department of education and mathematics during the summer school here.

ATTEND THE BIG AUCTION SALE OF HOUSEHOLD GOODS AT ALLIANCE NEXT SATURDAY.

T. J. Thompson left for Lincoln last Friday. His daughter, Hazel, who has been visiting her old home at Dannebrog, Nebr., joined him at Grand Island, commencing her school work at business college this week. Mr. Thompson expects to visit his daughter, Clara, at Kansas City, before returning home.

Walter Peterson suffered a broken collar bone last Saturday at his brother Arthur's ranch. Walter was riding a horse that had a mean disposition, the horse stumbling and falling upon him. Dr. Hirschman, of Alliance, attended him.

Roy Burton left last Saturday for Denver and returned Wednesday.

Mrs. Otto Zamzow has returned home from her trip in the east.



At the

Happy Hollow Ranch

Evenings of

Saturday, June 22nd
Wednesday, June 26th
Fourth of July Night

Reasonable Livery Service—No Holdup

BELIEVE ME, FELLOWS! we sure have a good time out at the ranch. FIRST, a fine bunch of gals, all good dancers; Second, an orchestra with real class; Third, a floor that feet like to slide on.



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