

# Indomitable Sense of Humor Essential to Information Clerks at Railroad Stations

### Many Foolish and Incomprehensible Questions Popped at Omaha Depots.

If you think the information clerks at the railroad stations have a snap, stand around the counters at the Omaha stations any day or night. Queries come at the rate of 8,000 daily according to estimates of the information clerks at the Union and Burlington stations.

"What time does the 6:05 Rock Island leave Omaha?"

"What trains have you got that stop in Iowa?"

"How can one obtain soldier's band in New Mexico?"

These are but a few of the questions asked the clerks at the information bureau at the Union station every day. They answer the questions the best they know, always smiling at the absolutely impossible ones, and at no time betraying their thoughts or emotions.

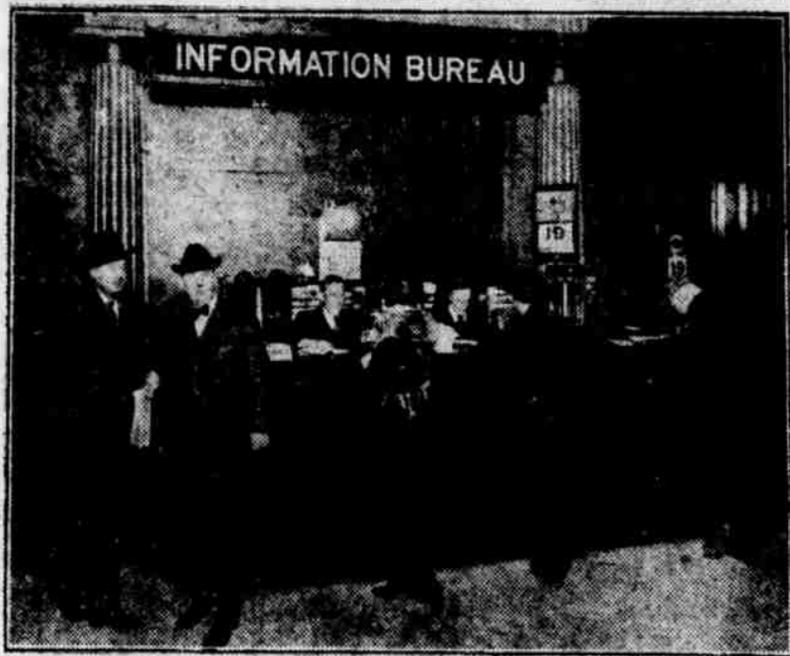
"The man who smiles suavely at the foolish questions and who has a great sense of humor makes the best clerk," says J. W. Adams, superintendent of the Union station, who supervises the information bureau.

"Beginners in the information bureau have to be watched closely. Eleven silly questions in rapid succession and the novice is ready to jump at the twelfth man. Much coaxing and careful persuasion must be used on the new clerk before he reaches a point of safety."

When it comes to answering railroad questions, the trained clerk is really an almanac of knowledge.

How do they get all this information? "We don't get it, it's like a disease, it grows on us," says Lawrence Miller, information clerk at the Union station.

"We are used to it and we have



Lawrence Miller, right, and Herbert Dick, left, on the job at the information bureau in the Union station.

great fun talking with those who always ask the silly questions. The counter at both the Union and Burlington stations are always crowded with men, women and children who are seeking information.

Miller, who has talked to thousands and perhaps millions of persons since his connection with the Union station has many a funny tale to tell.

"We meet all kinds," says Miller. "The traveling man is a good scout and asks questions only when storms or wrecks tie up the roads."

Questions asked by passengers are divided in two classes, simple and compound.

Some of the simple questions are: "When does the train leave for Norfolk?" "Do I have to change trains to get there?" "How far is it from here?"

"When does the train get in from

great many passengers seeking information about trains.

Herbert Dick, another clerk at the Union station, says women can read a time table better than men. He says he could write a book of humor about persons asking questions.

Information clerks soon get to be students of human nature. They remember many faces, which reappear at their desks during their term of service.

## Says Divorce Center Shifting From Reno; Flays Pickford Case

Chicago Tribune-Omaha Bee Leased Wire. Washington, April 24.—Chicago, not Reno, is the greatest divorce center in the world, according to Francis Miner Moody of Chicago, executive secretary of the international committee on marriage and divorce, who testified before the senate judiciary committee.

Mr. Moody explained to the committee that the divorce laws in Chicago were less rigid than in New York and most other large cities. Reno, however, with an annual record of 1,944 divorces is still holding the lead of high percentages.

Mary Pickford's divorce was cited by Mr. Moody as an evil example. He declared that the judge who granted Mary her divorce knew that she had been a resident of the state of Nevada only two weeks. "Fifty per cent of all divorces are fraudulent," said Mr. Moody, "and based on trumped-up charges."

## California Supreme Judge Dies at San Francisco

San Francisco, April 24.—Henry A. Melvin, justice of the supreme court of California, died here last night after an illness of several months. He was known as a Y. M. C. A. worker and had been grand exalted ruler of the E. K. He was born in Springfield, Ill., September 28, 1865.

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56-Inch Priestley's Imported English Men's Wear Serge; in navy and black only; you can save \$2.00 a yard by buying Monday for cash; special **\$4.98**

50-Inch All-Wool French Serge, the popular wool dress goods this season; a regular \$4.00 quality; in all colors, plenty of navy; our Monday special cash price **\$2.98**

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44-Inch All-Wool French Serge; the good heavy weight in all colors; plenty of navy; selling other places for \$3.00 and more; Monday, special cash price **\$2.48**

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**\$3.50 Satin de Chine, 36 inch, \$2.98** Navy, Brown, Taupe, Rose, Myrtle, Wine, Red, Gray and Black.

**\$2.00 Corduroy, 33 inch, \$1.75** For Skirts and Jackets. Rose, Victory, Peacock and White.

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- White Mountain Refrigerator, 75-lb. capacity, side icer, for **\$32.00**
- 24-lb. Family Scale, Cash Price **\$1.35**
- Stool Step Ladder, Cash Price **\$1.35**
- Chair Step Ladder, Cash Price **\$2.10**
- 4-tine Steel Spading Fork **\$1.25**
- 6-qt. Aluminum Berlin Kettle, with cover, for **\$2.00**
- 6-ft. Unbraced Step Ladder, for **\$2.00**
- 14-tooth Straight Garden Rake, for **\$1.35**
- 15-tooth Bow Garden Rake, for **\$1.35**
- Moulded Garden Hose, 7-ply, 1/2-in., 50-ft. lengths and couplings for **\$7.75**
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- The Best White or Yellow Cornmeal, per lb. **5c**
- 4-lb. Best Baked White Breakfast Oatmeal **25c**
- The Best Panettone Macaroni, Spaghetti or Egg Noodles, pkg. **25c**
- The Best No. 1 Hand Picked Navy Beans, per lb. **10c**
- 16-oz. cans Elk Horn Milk **14c**
- 16-oz. cans Pet or Wilson Milk **15c**
- 6-oz. cans Pet or Wilson Milk **6c**
- No. 2 cans Sweet Sugar Peas, Corn or Tomatoes, per can **12 1/2c**
- No. 3 cans Hominy or Pumpkin **12 1/2c**
- No. 3 cans Spinach or Kraut **10c**
- No. 3 cans Pork and Beans **10c**
- Beach Nut Catsup, large bottle **25c**
- Beach Nut Catsup, small bottle **15c**
- Beach Nut Preserves and Jellies, 20 per cent off, lot.
- 1 cake Floating Toilet Soap **5c**
- 3 cans Old Dutch Cleanser **25c**
- Large pkg. Tyramila Washing Powder, per pkg. **25c**
- Lux, per pkg. **14c**
- Seeded Raisins, per lb. **5c**
- California Prunes, per lb. **5c**
- Teamed Currants, per lb. **25c**
- Yeast Food, pkg. **1c**
- Our Famous Golden Santos Coffee, per lb. **30c**
- Diamond H. Blend, per lb. **40c**
- H. B. C. Special Blend, lb. **42 1/2c**
- M. & J. Special Blend, lb. **50c**
- Arkadia Blend, per lb. **50c**
- The Best Tea sittings per lb. **50c**
- China Basket Fried, Sun Dried, or English Breakfast Tea, lb. **50c**
- Fancy Spiced Leg, Japan, Ceylon, Oolong or Fine Sany Gunpowder Tea, per lb. **60c**
- All the Best Brands' Nut Butter.
- The Vegetable Market of Omaha.
- Fancy New Cabbage, per lb. **5c**
- Fancy Jersey Sweet Potatoes, lb. **7 1/2c**
- Fancy Large Cucumbers, each **20 1/2c**
- Fresh Radishes, per bunch **5c**
- Fresh Leaf Lettuce, head **5c**
- Fresh Carrots or Shallots, bunch **7 1/2c**
- Large Soup Bunches, each **5c**
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