

Veteran Employees of Middle Division Pennsylvania Railroad Who Celebrated Their 23rd Anniversary Yesterday



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RAILROAD NEWS OF TIMELY INTEREST

NEW SLOGAN FOR RAILROAD MEN

Play Safe and Save Rule Given to Pennsylvania Veterans at Annual Banquet

"Play Safe and Save." This is a new slogan for Pennsylvania Railroad employees. It was launched last night by J. C. Johnson, superintendent of the Middle Division. He was the principal speaker at the Twenty-third annual banquet of the Veteran Employees Association, Middle Division.

Following the addresses the veterans were given a great treat by the Pennsylvania Concert Company, formerly the Pennsylvania Railroad Glee Club. This organization is about closing one of the most successful seasons in its history. There were solos, monologs, recitations, chorus singing, in fact the musical program scored one tremendous hit and Director Ira Behney and each member was given high praise.

At the memorial services held in the afternoon the name of H. R. Shuey, late of Harrisburg, was added to the list of deceased, making a total of 48 members who died during the year. The total membership of the association is now 1827. This includes 80 new members added during the year.

Good singing by the Railroad quartet from Altoona was an interesting feature. A unanimous vote of thanks was accorded the singers. Letters of regret because of inability to be present were read from Elisha Lee, Federal Manager; R. L. O'Donnell, General Manager; and C. A. Preston, former Superintendent of the Middle Division. These officers were elected:

President, J. C. Johnson, superintendent of Middle Division; vice-president, Samuel M. Hertzler, Harrisburg; secretary-treasurer, W. Brooke Moore, Camp Hill; chaplain, Frank H. Gregory, Harrisburg; executive committee, L. C. Clemson, Harrisburg, chairman; M. G. Stoner, Harrisburg; D. T. Cramer, Mifflin; T. J. Scott, Mifflin; J. H. Davis, Altoona. The following appointments were by the president:

Historical Committee: W. H. Bennett, master mechanic, Altoona, chairman; Isaiah Reese, Sr., Harrisburg; Lewis Messersmith, Newport; Lewis Irwin, Huntingdon; and John W. Kaufman, Mifflin.

HIGH TRIBUTE TO GREAT GENERAL

Praises For Brigadier General W. W. Atterbury; Big Factor in Winning War

George J. Brennan, the versatile genius of the "Who's Who" column of the Philadelphia Inquirer, pays this tribute to a distinguished Pennsylvania railroad executive: "Former Governor Edwin S. Stuart was quick to seize upon an opportunity to honor a distinguished Pennsylvania, Brigadier General William Wallace Atterbury, whom President Wilson named to direct all the railroad activities in connection with the American Expeditionary Forces operating in France.

"As president of the Union League of this city, with which General Atterbury has been identified as a member for twenty years, the former Governor is taking a keen interest in a reception which that organization is planning to give to General Atterbury on the twenty-fifth of this month.

"There are few men, if any, to whom the country is more indebted for distinguished services in the late war than Brigadier General Atterbury," remarked Governor Stuart, in making known the plans of the Union League, in their behalf, a fellow member. "With all of the forces of the Army and the Navy landed on the coast of France," he continued, "how handicapped would they have been without the splendid organization for transportation to the enemy's front placed at their disposal under the most trying conditions."

"General Atterbury, who is a native of New Albany, Indiana, where he was born, January 31, 1866, as soon as he was graduated at Yale, entered the employ of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company as an apprentice in the car shops at Altoona, where he thoroughly equipped himself with an intimate knowledge of every branch of railroad mechanical construction. Later he was made assistant engineer of motive power for the Pennsylvania North-western system, and subsequently superintendent of motive power for the lines east of Pittsburgh and Erie.

"Five years of service in that capacity won him the rank of general superintendent of motive power, and on January 1, 1903, before he had attained his 37th birthday, he was made general superintendent of the line east of Pittsburgh, with a record of being the youngest man to hold that position in the history of the system. Six years later he became one of the vice-presidents and director of the company in which he started at the lowest step in the ladder of opportunity.

"His movements abroad, in the words of former Governor Stuart, entitle his name to be written in the roll of honor in the nation's hall of fame.

THOUSANDS MAKE MERRY AT PICNIC

North 14th street, and Grace Shearer, 1345 Liberty street.

At noon the Traction officials reckoned that ten thousand school children, parents and friends were in the park, with the cars still crowded. It was a perfect multitude that took advantage of the splendid weather and the Middletown aviator was certain of a great demonstration when he arrived shortly after five o'clock.

William H. German, Boy Scout Commissioner, got a loud hand for the systematic way he handled the relay runners who woke up the city over a difficult three-mile course. The race was fast and close with Troop 18 winning, the finishes as follows: First, Tarman; second, Shocker; third, W. Fries; fourth, Miss Bowman; Forney, sixth, Hartman; seventh, C. Fries; eighth, Paul; ninth, Klauer; tenth, Buyer; eleventh, Ford; twelfth, McCain. The start was made at 11:30, with pace makers accompanying many of the runners. Automobiles picked up the lads as they finished and the last lap was one roar of triumph from thousands of childish throats.

The peanut race had every body rolling in laughter, for most of the contestants tried to grab up all the peanuts at one scoop and race over to dump them in a teacher's lap. This battle went to Miss Linn, Forney, pitching to Miss Linn; second, Soles, of Melrose; to Steins; third, Fisher, of Cameron to Gable; fourth, Floyd, of Shimmel; to Floyd, the last two girls being tied. The winners made a hearty meal of peanuts.

Miss Marion A. Williams, principal at the open air school, was a life saver for V. Grant Forrer and "Doc" Miller in running off the events. She volunteered as official scorer and made good though the events went off in fast time.

The obstacle race was another tinker with honors for Freedman, Riley; second, Gilbert, Shimmel; third, Shaffer, Shimmel; fourth, Hoffman, Lincoln; fifth, Balthasar, Lincoln. In this event the boys, among other hardships, had to squat and take off their shoes, finish the race and put them on again. The winner was the fastest shoe artist and won on this merit.

In the egg race for third and fourth grades was just as lively, with the lucky girl, Miss Grummel, Faxtag; second, Wagner, Griffith, Griffith, Melrose; fourth, Benson, Melrose.

OLD STATE K. OF P. MEMBER IS RESIDENT OF HARRISBURG

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The oldest member of the Knights of Pythias in Pennsylvania is Isaiah Reese, Sr. He resides at 1322 North Third street, and is a retired Pennsylvania Railroad employe. On Monday, June 18, he celebrated his 90th birthday anniversary. He is a member of Phoenix Lodge No. 59.

Last night at White's Hall, Verbeke and James streets, members of Phoenix lodge entertained in honor of Mr. Reese, who is a charter member of this lodge. Prominent members of the order were present. Previous to the reception program the Thirtieth degree was conferred on a large class of candidates. Mr. Reese was presented with a Bible by Mr. Peters, of Phoenix lodge.

The speakers included James Speece, Supreme Representative E. Lewis, charter member of Carthage Lodge of Steelton; William Robinson, Phoenix Lodge, and Royal Visitor Laucks. Refreshments were served.

The American Federation of Labor, in convention here, refused to-day to ask for the release of so-called political and industrial prisoners convicted under the espionage and other war-time acts. Instead, the Federation adopted a modified resolution requesting the Government to rescinded with the formal coming of peace.

Miss Molla Bjurstedt loses Title as Tennis Leader. Philadelphia, June 20.—Miss Molla Bjurstedt, who has been champion, went down to defeat to-day in the semi-final round of the fifty-second annual women's tennis tournament at the Philadelphia Cricket Club. She was defeated by Miss Marie Zinderstein, of the Longwood Cricket Club by the score of 4-6, 6-1, 6-2.

Noske to Be German Chancellor in Cabinet. Coblenz, June 20.—Gustav Noske, the minister of defense, will succeed Philipp Scheidemann as head of the German ministry, according to a Weimar dispatch received here today. Matthias Erzberger, of the German armistice commission, will succeed Count von Brodorff-Rantau as foreign secretary, the message adds.

YOUTHFUL OFFENDERS ARE SENTENCED BY COURT

Juvenile offenders reported to the court by probation officers and parents as being incorrigible or charged with criminal offenses were taken to Glen Mills to-day by Judge S. J. M. McCarrell. In some instances boys and girls held for truancy were released on parole.

Anton Mavretic, Steelton, whose father told the court he could not control the boy, was the first one to be sent to the reform school. Another youth, in court for the third time on a larceny charge, will be called for sentence in two weeks.

Earl Frowell, Harry Shuster and Robert Alexander, implicated in taking an automobile and operating it without the consent of the owner, were released on probation. It was alleged that the boys had been frequenting a poolroom in the Allison Hill district and Judge McCarrell directed police officers who were in court to investigate and bring charges against the proprietor if necessary as all the boys are only 15 and 16 years of age.

George Keyes, colored, was sent to Glen Mills also on a charge of incorrigibility. While at a private school it is said he forged his father's name to a letter in an effort to be released. Benjamin Wilson, colored, Arthur Scott, who had been heard at previous sessions, were sent to Glen Mills, too, by Judge McCarrell.

Maggie Harris, charged with incorrigibility, was sent to the Sleighton Farms School.

Big Reception Is Plan of Railroad "Y" Men. A. G. MURRAY, President of P. R. Y. M. C. A. who will welcome members. New members recently added to the P. R. Y. M. C. A. will be given a royal welcome to-night. The big auditorium has been especially decorated for the occasion and the program will include an address of welcome by A. G. Murray, president, music by Stevens Memorial M. E. orchestra; shadowgraphs, moving pictures, special singing and an address by William Elmendorf, superintendent of the Philadelphia division. The exercises will start at 8.15. The committee on entertainment of which H. E. Rupp is chairman will be in charge and welcome the members and their ladies.

Plan Big Banquet For Shopmen at Penn-Harris. Arrangements have been completed for the First Annual banquet of Railroad Shopmen's Local Union No. 584, sheet metal workers, pipe fitters and plumbers. It will be held Monday evening, June 23, at Penn-Harris Hotel, starting at 8.45 P. M. The toastmaster will be H. A. Bixler, New Cumberland, secretary-treasurer of System Federation No. 90. Other speakers will be Noah M. Jones, president System Federation; J. M. Burns, general organizer of International Alliance; W. B. McNear, president of Local Federation; A. C. Myers, Columbus, Ohio, District Chairman; and M. Callen, president Central Lab-or Union, Harrisburg. It is expected that upwards of 200 will attend.

ROMAN HOME FROM BREST

New York, June 20.—Admiral William Benson, chief of operations of the United States Navy, arrived here from Brest to-day on the battleship Arkansas. Twenty-five casual officers' messengers also returned in the war craft.

DOUGAL FINDS "BASIS OF LIFE"

Noted Scientist Discovers Animal and Plant Protoplasm Are Identical

Dr. D. T. MacDougal, director of the botanical research department of the Carnegie Institution of Washington, before the American Philosophical Society, announced some new discoveries as to the nature of living matter and the mechanism of growth, says the New York Times.

Protoplasm, he says, is found to be composed chiefly of a mucilage or gum of the group of carbohydrates, known as pentosans and of albumens. These two main components do not unite chemically and do not dissolve one into the other, but they mix with each other in a finely divided form. Together with salts and other minor components these substances form about one-half of 1 per cent of living matter.

The discovery of Doctor MacDougal that the protoplasm of all organic matter are identical brings to a common point investigations which have been conducted independently in both the animal and the vegetable kingdoms.

As far back as December 24, 1905, in the New York Times, Doctor MacDougal proved that the Dalmatian theory as to the development of species, if not erroneous in the nature of organic evolution, was, at least, at fault in the length of time required by nature for such evolution.

By injecting into the ovules of certain plants strong osmotic reagents and weak solutions of stimulating mineral salts he had in 1905, succeeded in creating changes in the egg cells before fertilization so that the altered eggs gave rise to a new form or species. It was at this time that Prof. Jacques Loeb, of the University of California, was experimenting with the lowest forms of animal life—the mollusk—in a similar manner, but without conclusive evidential results.

Doctor MacDougal now has apparently succeeded in doing what Professor Loeb failed to do, for he has proved that the most minute form of life in the animal kingdom is identical with the most minute form of life in the vegetable kingdom. In other words, the two kingdoms are the same, but develop differently according to various conditions imposed by nature.

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Rome Bids Italian Delegates Accept Allied Proposal as to Adriatic

Paris, June 20.—The Italian delegation to the Peace Conference has been directed from Rome to accept the proposition for the settlement of the Dalmatian controversy made by Premier Clemenceau. Lloyd George and President Wilson, according to a Paris office of Reuters Limited.