Wheeler Named To Bangor Post

Appointment of Royce G. Wheeler of Hermon as assistant superintendent at Bangor was announced late last month.

General Agent at Bangor since 1958, Wheeler assumed his new duties June 1. He replaces Percy H. Coombs in the railroad’s top operating position in Bangor. Coombs has been transferred to the engineering department at Portland.

Wheeler’s successor as general agent is Francis Clyde Corbett, 33, former yardmaster at Bangor, and son of retired Yard Conductor Edward J. Corbett. A native and lifelong resident of Bangor, the new general agent and Mrs. Corbett live at 1043 Outer Ohio Street.

Wheeler, also a native of Bangor, was educated in Greenbush, and was graduated from Higgins Classical Institute, Charleston, in 1944. He served with the Navy in the Pacific in World War II, and joined Maine Central as a student telegrapher at Old Town in 1946. He later served as an operator at Lincoln, Winn, Machias, Franklin and Bangor, where he also worked as a train dispatcher.

Wheeler and his wife, the former Joyce Tasker of Stetson, reside in Hermon with their three children. He is a member of the board of assessors, former chairman of the Hermon Planning Board, and is active in Masonic bodies.

ON THE JOB FOR GEORGIA PACIFIC—A Maine Central switcher moves a cut of cars through the yard at the St. Croix Division, Georgia-Pacific Corporation, at Woodland. The facility—location of a new $35,000,000 bleached kraft pulp mill—is the largest industry and Maine Central’s largest rail freight customer in Washington County.

Tom Roche Ends Long Maine Central Career

Thomas F. Roche, Portland, general storekeeper, Maine Central Railroad and Portland Terminal Companies, retired June 17 after nearly 46 years of railroad service. He was guest of honor at a retirement dinner held at the Holiday Inn, attended by many of his railroad friends.

A native of Lewiston, Roche joined Maine Central Sept. 8, 1921, at Lewiston as a laborer in the railroad’s engineering department. He remained at Lewiston until 1936, working as a clerk in the engineering department, as tie inspector and as assistant foreman, engineering department. Roche was named foreman, Deer- ing Junction Stores, Portland, in 1936, and as storekeeper, Deer- ing Junction, in 1954. He became traveling storekeeper in 1958 and general storekeeper in 1962.

Mr. and Mrs. Roche live at 32

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AT TESTIMONIAL DINNER—A large group of associates and fellow Maine Central workers gathered at the Holiday Inn, Portland, June 18, to honor Thomas F. Roche, general storekeeper, retiring after nearly 46 years’ service. From left, above, Hugh F. Flynn, who succeeds him; Mrs. Roche, Tom; and Kenneth W. Phillips, manager of purchases and stores.
TO MY FELLOW EMPLOYEES:

The distinction between “statesman” and politician” is important. Webster’s first definition of the word “politician” is “a schemer; an intriguer.” His second, however, is more charitable: “one versed or experienced in the science of government; one devoted to politics; a statesman.”

Another definition, attributed to Episcopal clergyman A. L. Kinsolving, reads: “The difference between a politician and a statesman is that the politician thinks of himself and his party; the statesman thinks of the people and the country.”

And Ambrose Bierce, one of America’s most popular writers in the early part of the century, was at his cynical best (or worst) in his definitions of the word “politician” in his famous “Devil’s Dictionary.”

“A politician,” Bierce wrote, “is an eagle in the fundamental mud upon which the superstructure of organized society is reared. When he wriggles, he mistakes the agitation of his tail for the trembling of the edifice. As compared with a statesman, he suffers the disadvantage of being alive.”

Bierce described “politics” as “a means of livelihood affected by the more degraded portion of our criminal classes . . . and as a strife of interests masquerading as a contest of principles . . . the conduct of public affairs for private advantage.”

Sometimes the spectacles put on by national and state legislative bodies would seem to confirm Bierce’s estimate, but it is our belief that most of our national office holders place the welfare of the people and country above themselves and their parties.

This is even more true on the state and local levels of government here in Maine, where there is little more than a sense of accomplishment—and perhaps the gratitude of neighbors and fellow citizens—to be gained from the hard labor of public service. Office holders here prefer to describe themselves correctly not as politicians but as public servants.

Maine Central notes with gratification the number of its employees who have devoted, or who are still devoting, much of their own private time to the conduct of public business and to leadership in their communities.

Sumner S. Clark, vice president, served as a member of the Portland City Council for two terms, and as chairman in his final year of office.

General Counsel Archibald M. Knowles has been town meeting moderator, veteran member and chairman of the town council in Falmouth, and in March, his townsmen honored him with the title, “Falmouth Man of the Year.”

Horace F. Foster, treasurer and comptroller, while not holding public office, has been active in the deliberations at Cape Elizabeth concerning the disposition of the Fort Williams property.

Horace M. Budd, assistant treasurer, is vice chairman of the Portland Urban Renewal Authority.

Everett Goddard, manager, car accounting and statistics, is a member of the Falmouth Board of Education, and Clifford P. Hawkes, auditor revenue, is a trustee of the Portland Water District.

Gerard P. Conley, a clerk at the Yard Office, Rigby, is finishing his second term as a State Representative, having earned a reputation as an able legislator, and the respect of his colleagues and state officials.

Paul V. Witham, retired general agent at Newport, served his town as selectman and board chairman for more than 30 years.

Hugh F. Flynn, new general storekeeper, has served as a member and chairman of the South Portland City Council, and is now an officer of the Board of Industry and a member of the State Board of Arbitration.

Royce G. Wheeler, recently named assistant superintendent at Bangor after nine years as general agent, is a former chairman of the Hermon planning board, and now serves as a member of the board of assessors.

Cashier Gordon Williams, Chief Engineer James O. Born and Public Relations Director Joseph H. Cobb are members of their respective planning boards in Windham, Westbrook and Gorham, and all have served as members of the Greater Portland Regional Planning Commission. Robert Thing, general agent at Brunswick, also is a planning board member.

Daniel Myrand, Lewiston brakeman, serves as the city’s Civil Defense Director.

W. L. Blanchard, retired general agent at Vanceboro, and Arnold M. Scott, a retired mechanical foreman at the same point, both have served for several years as selectmen and assessors.

Not the least of Maine Central’s public servants is John Larracey, a machinist at the Waterville Shops, who serves his community as a special police officer. Recently Larracey was publicly credited with saving the life of a fellow townsmen.

All of these and many others—including those who have stood for election and lost—are “politicians” in the best sense of the word, i.e., public servants, showing the courage required to accept criticism as well as acclaim for accomplishments bettering their communities.

Maine Central is proud of the public and political contributions of so many railroaders. Believing that our Republic can only function well when able people of integrity enter public life, we encourage railroad men and women to do so in the knowledge that many of our personnel are especially talented and able to improve significantly the conduct of public affairs in the best interests of society.
Railroad Sons, Daughters Complete Courses In High Schools, Colleges

More of the Maine Central younger generation joined the ranks of June graduates last month, putting high school homework and college courses behind them. The Messenger adds its editorial congratulations to those already received.

Maureen Susan Wolman, daughter of Chief Clerk and Mrs. Charles E. Wolman, Waterville, was graduated from Waterville High School with honors. She was in the Glee Club and the Future Homemakers of America, with service as FHA district historian in her senior year. She'll take a post-graduate course at WHS, then enter nursing school.

Edward E. Libby, son of Edward Libby of the Marketing Department and Mrs. Libby, graduated from Cheverus High School, Portland. During his four years he was a member of The Stagline, Glee Club, Student Council, Ski Club, Cheerleaders, and President of the Key Club his senior year, also participating in intramural sports. He will attend St. Anselm's College at Manchester, N. H. in the fall.

Miss Joan Nadine Vance, daughter of Electrician and Mrs. Paul P. Vance, graduated from John Bapt High School at Bangor. While in high school Miss Vance was a member of the Glee Club for four years, a member of the Latin Club, Civics Club, and Literary Club. She has studied violin, piano, and voice and appeared as a Lady of The Court of King Arthur in the recent production of "CameLOT" by the Bangor Savoyards. Miss Vance plans to further her study in music and drama this fall.

Miss Catherine Sullivan, daughter of Electrician and Mrs. John J. Sullivan of Brewer, graduated this year from Brewer High School where she was a member of the Se Beowolf and the National Honor Society. She was also a member of the Year Book Staff. Miss Sullivan, recently installed as Worthy Advisor of Orrington Rainbow Assembly, was awarded a Mabel J. DeShon Scholarship at the Rainbow Grand Assembly in Waterville. She will attend Farmington State Teachers College this fall.

Gregory Michael Anderson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Anderson, Portland, is a June graduate of Falmouth High School. He plans to enter the Coast Guard, then study in oceanography when released from service. Gregory's father is a clerk in Auditor's Disbursements Office.

Darrel Perkins, son of Carman and Mrs. Donald Perkins of Scarborough, was graduated from Scarborough High School last month. He plans to attend the University of Maine in Portland in the fall. He was awarded a scholarship and an honorable mention for excellence in math at the SHS graduation ceremony.

Rhonda Sue York, daughter of Signal Maintainer and Mrs. James York of Mattawamkeag, was graduated in June from Hopkins Academy, Hadley, Mass., with high honors. She received the Pro Merito award, two typing awards and the Mary E. Kennedy award for the highest average in her class. Miss York plans to enroll at Northampton, Mass., Commercial College, in September.

John A. Michaels, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Michaels, graduated in June from Deering High School. He plans to enter the Armed Services.

A meeting of the Maine Association of the Railroad Veterans, was held May 28 at Howard Johnson's Restaurant, Thornton Heights, with about 50 members in attendance.

Leonard King of the program committee presented Mrs. Richard O'Neil at the piano with Mrs. James A. Chadwick as soloist, who entertained with religious and popular songs.

Mr. and Mrs. John J. Burke have returned from Hawaii after a pleasant vacation. We are sorry to report that John has been ill since returning, but at this writing is greatly improved and able to be around.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Goodwin and grandson Edward Anderson of Lawrence, Mass., and Palmer Wile of Boston attended our last meeting. We were also happy to welcome Mr. and Mrs. Owen Thompson and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Reed of Waterville.

The meeting scheduled June 25 was the last until Sept. 24.

The Membership Committee and the Officers of the Maine Association of Railroad Veterans are elated over the fact that 50 new members have joined the Association in the last two months. A cordial invitation is extended to all those who are not affiliated with our Association. It is a wonderful place to meet old Railroad Friends.

We were glad to hear our oldest member, Mr. Horatio Clark, who was 96 years old last April, still enjoys going for an automobile ride with his niece.

Mr. and Mrs. William A. O'Neil of Sarasota, Fla., have arrived to spend the summer at the Pilgrim apartments with Mrs. O'Neil's sister, Miss Elizabeth Connors.

C. D. Williamson, retired Maine Central and Pullman Company Conductor, has returned to his home at 2355 Post Street, Jacksonville, Fla., after an extended hospital stay. He would appreciate hearing from Maine Central friends.
Tom Thanks Fellow Workers

32 Rosedale St.
Portland, Me.
June 21, 1967

May I have a little space in the Messenger to convey a message to Maine Central Railroad and Portland Terminal Co. friends? Since 1921 I have for various reasons and on various occasions traveled over the entire lines of these companies and met many fine people and made many friends.

There have been some discouraging moments but many encouraging moments which will always be remembered and were topped off on the night of June 17th at a very wonderful retirement party. Thank you each and everyone for your friendships over the years. Many of us have had our differences; these differences were not personal but were what I considered in the best interest of the companies.

Thank you for your kind words and good wishes, your presence at the party and your participation in the wonderful retirement gift which I am sure Mrs. Roche and I will enjoy for many years, health permitting.

To the Purchases and Stores Department employees especially thank you all for your cooperation. I could not have got along without it and please give this same cooperation or even more if possible to Mr. Flynn.

Again thank you everyone.

T. F. Roche

Coyne Appointed General Statistician

A Portland native, Coyne joined the Portland Terminal Company after graduation from Portland High School in 1948. He first served as a carman at Rigby, leaving for Korean War Army service in 1951. On his return to Portland in 1953, he became a Portland Terminal Company mail handler, also studying at Northeastern Business College, until 1955. In September of that year, he was made a clerk in the Assistant Comptroller's office.

Coyne served in this office, and in the office of the Auditor Revenue until 1965, when he began service in the personnel records office.

The new general statistician's wife is the former Joanne Meehan, daughter of Joseph D. Meehan, retired Union Station baggage and mail foreman. They have three children, Theresa, 13, John, 12, and Margaret, 8.

The Coyne's live at 227 Walnut Street, South Portland.

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We Liked This Unlikely Story

Last month, Portland Storekeeper Maurice Allaire spent hours, one morning, vainly trying to hook a big trout he had seen jumping in a Kennebago pool. He tried almost everything and was about to give up when his wife Thelma arrived.

Naturally, she caught the big trout—3½ pounds—with one cast. But the thing we liked most about the story was that she had used a Redington Devil Bug, an unlikely looking dry fly tied by Ye Editor and given to Maurice three years ago.

"Try it when all else fails," we told him.

Don't think he believed us then, but he does now.

McFarlane Named Engineering Aide

James R. McFarlane, 48, special projects engineer for the Grand Trunk Western Railroad, Detroit, Michigan, has been appointed assistant to the chief engineer for the Maine Central.

Chief Engineer James O. Born said the new assistant will begin his duties in mid-July.

A native of Montreal, Canada, McFarlane has been a resident and citizen of the U.S. since his boyhood, attending the schools of Buffalo and Syracuse, N. Y., and later receiving his degree in civil engineering from Syracuse University.

He began railroad service as a college student, working as a chairman for the New York Central in the summer of 1941. After graduation, he worked as a junior assistant engineer with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, then served as a weather officer in the U.S. Navy through World War II.

McFarlane was a mortgage loan inspector for the National Life Insurance Co., of Montpelier, Vt., for seven years after the war, joining the Central Vermont Railway at St. Albans in 1953.

He served initially as a draftsman, and later became Junior Assistant engineer, office engineer, assistant engineer and engineering officer before joining Grand Trunk Western in 1966.

McFarlane is a Registered Professional Engineer in the State of Vermont, and a member of the American Railway Engineering Association and the New England Railroad Club.

His wife is the former Sally Anne Wells of Montpelier, Vt. They have three children, Linda, 16; Carol, 13; and James, Jr., 11.

Named President

Eugene P. Trueworthy, assistant to auditor, Data Processing, Portland, has been elected president of the Pine Tree Chapter, Data Processing Management Association.
June-Month Of Brides

ELM CITY BRIDE—Miss A. Dianne McCaslin, daughter of Carman-Painter and Mrs. Earl A. McCaslin, Waterville, became the bride of Lincoln H. Nye, Belgrade, in a June wedding at Waterville. Mrs. Nye, a 1967 graduate of Farmington State College, will teach in Oakland. The bridegroom, who was graduated from Maine Maritime Academy in 1966, is an engineering officer on the SS Gulf Oil, Gulf Oil Corporation, New York. They will reside at 113 Silver Street, Waterville.

TEACHERS WED—Miss Patricia A. Reinsborough, daughter of Clerk and Mrs. Lawrence W. Reinsborough, Yarmouth, became the bride of Peter A. Chenoy of Lewiston June 17 at Sacred Heart Church, Yarmouth. A Cathedral High School and Gorham State College graduate, the bride is a teacher at Field Allen school, Windham. The bridegroom, also a Gorham graduate, teaches in the Westbrook school system. They will live at Windham Hill.

WED IN BOSTON—Miss Mary Alice Grant, daughter of Claim Agent and Mrs. Robert H. Grant, became the bride of William R. Horzog, II of Orwell, Vt., in a ceremony June 24 at the Ruggles Street Baptist Church, Boston. The couple will spend the summer in Maine, then move to California, where the bridegroom is a student at California Baptist Theological Seminary, Los Angeles. The bride is a May, 1967, graduate of Boston University.

Specialist Farrar Cited By Commander

Specialist Four Richard W. Farrar, son of Secretary Beryl Farrar of the Purchases and Stores Department, Portland, has been cited for “outstanding service” by his commander.

Now a vehicle driver in Headquarters Battery, 24th Artillery Group (Air Def.) at Coventry, Rhode Island, Farrar has driven more than 43,000 accident-free miles in the past 19 months.

His citation says he “demonstrated a high degree of competence, diligence and devotion to duty far in excess of his age and rank. His fine military qualities have marked him as ‘outstanding’ among his fellow soldiers. Specialist Farrar’s devotion to duty, untiring efforts and competence reflect great credit upon himself, the New England Defense and the United States Army.”

Specialist Farrar is a 1964 graduate of Portland High School and has been in the Army for the past two years. He was transferred to Southeast Asia late last month.

Russell Directs Purchasing Program

Purchasing Agent Earl R. Russell served as general chairman of the Seventh Annual Purchasing Seminar sponsored by the Maine Purchasing Agents Association last month at the University of Maine, Orono.

The three-day program included talks on a wide range of topics relating to the purchasing agent’s problems from human relations to the legal aspects of the purchasing task. It was conducted by nine recognized national authorities in their respective fields.

The MPA group was welcomed to the University by President Edwin H. Young.

We Approve

We heartily approve of the name Illinois Central has selected for its new central computer headquarters in Chicago. To be the nerve center for IC’s information network, the remodeled building at 1219 South Michigan Avenue will house three computers by year’s end.

It’s name? MAIN Central.

Spec. 4 R. W. Farrar

GENERAL OFFICES

Chief Clerk George Marcroft of the Superintendent’s Office, wife Faye, Train Crew Dispatcher Arthur Palmer and his mother recently made a most enjoyable trip around the Gaspé Peninsula. If you want to know all the good eating places, ask George.

Mollie Fehlau of the Operating Department and husband Martin are enjoying their daughter’s trip to New York. Judith Black, husband Mark, and grandson Christopher, Gpl. Black is on leave from Ft. Bragg, Fayetteville, N. C.

Storekeeper Maurice Allaire and wife recently spent two-week vacation at their cottage in Rangeley. Maurice plans to spend most of his time fishing.

Asst. Supt. Arthur Lennon recently purchased a fiberglass outboard runabout with which he commutes to his summer home on Peaks Island.

Charles Kahill, son-in-law of Donald Svenson, recently graduated from Officers’ Training School at Fort Benning, Ga. Don and his daughter Debra attended the graduation, and daughter Suzanne and Charles returned to Portland with them for a few days, after which he will be stationed at Fort Gordon, Ga.

Everett and Glenda Spires have moved from Montreal Street to Mussey Street, South Portland.

Stephen J. Magyar has joined the office staff of the New Haven Railroad, replacing Clerk Don Colelo, who has become freight traffic representative, NHRR, in Bangor. Steve has just completed a four-year enlistment in the Air Force, stationed at Topsham Air Force Station. He, his wife, the former Deborah Grant of Boothbay Harbor, and their daughter Kathleen, live in Cumberland Center.

On vacation in the Auditor Disbursements office were Paul Landry, catching up on chores around his home; Reg Roy, doing the same; Joe Murray, some of the same and some day trips; Larry Reinsborough, to help with the wedding of his daughter Patricia; Mert Nelson, to Expo 67 and to attend his daughter’s graduation.

Shirley Wilson of the Asst. Treasurer’s office is on a week’s vacation.

Mary Morse and Coral Hoy of Engineering are vacationing.

Arthur and Nancy Gilbert were planning to attend Expo 67 late in June.

John Michels’ in-laws came from Massachusetts to attend their grandson’s graduation from Deering High School. John A. is their first grandson.
Campbell who attended to spring yard work.

Sympathy is extended to Cliff Clifford on the death of his mother.

We extend a welcome to Bill Herbert, a new clerk in the Office of the Comptroller and a recent student at Northeastern School of Business.

Paul Whitmore, a Junior at Portland High School, was a member of this year's State Championship Tennis Team that finished third at M.I.T. in the New England Tournament. Paul is the son of Head Clerk and Mrs. Herbert Whitmore.

**RIGBY ENGINE HOUSE**

Car Department Chief Clerk Elmer Rounds has retired, and Clerk Thomas Foley, Stores Department, will take his job, with Francis Haldane filling in for "Tommy".

Former engine house employee Joseph Murphy, who underwent surgery in May, has returned home and is getting along very well. This report came from his son Edward, an employee at the Car Department.

Everett had on his desk for many years. This item was made by a Taiwan, Formosa, craftsman, and sent to Everett by his son Harvey. A railroad train was depicted, as drawn by Harvey, because the artist had never seen a steam train.

Former Foreman Walter Trecarten, who was at Rigby during World War II as well as at Bartlett engine house, is spending his spare time fishing the streams.

Carmen John Delloy has retired after 45 years' service.

The infant daughter of Electrician Charles Chamberlain, one of a pair of twins, died June 10.

Foreman Maurice Weeks has a "Calais" model Cadillac with all the fixings.

Engine House employee Martin Malia and Mrs. Malia celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary at an outing given in their honor at Pettigill Pond. There were 62 persons in attendance, all relatives.

Engine House employee Dustin Greenlaw, who underwent a serious operation this last spring, has returned to work. He says he will return for further surgery later.

Sherry Baker, granddaughter of Engine House employee Phillip Cook, was a June graduate of South Portland High School.

Electrician Albert Wetmore, Jr., has moved from his former residence on Ray Street to a Washington Avenue address. The house has been completely redecorated by AI and his wife, and includes a modern kitchen.

Mrs. Joan Green of Freight Office has had a few days vacation.

Mrs. Fay Marcroft of the Marine Department also has had a few days vacation.

H. C. Hamilton of the Per Diem Department and Mrs. Hamilton enjoyed a trip to London, England, during his vacation.

H. S. Scott, Per Diem Department, and Mrs. Scott enjoyed a trip to California during his vacation.

W. H. Marshall, First Track Operator Tower I is enjoying a few days vacation.

Sympathy is extended to Mrs. Jeanette Beckwith and family on the death of her mother.

Assistant Superintendent M. F. O'Brien is enjoying his vacation visiting with his daughter and son in Pompey, N. Y.

**ROCKLAND**

Yard Conductor Maurice Lake was on vacation, his job covered by Yard Brakeman Mike Mitchell, G. E. Coro, Jr., from the Waterville spare board, covered Mitchell's job.

Agent W. B. Lewis was on vacation, working around home mostly, and making few short trips. His job was covered by spare Operator E. J. Cunningham.

Machinist Joe Clough on the sick list and his job was being covered by C. E. "Jakey" Walker. Understand Joe is somewhat improved and hope he will be able to be back to work before too long.

Recent guest at Father Snowman's was none other than former first track Operator John Tardiff and family. John is now located at Rileys on the swing job. Don't that he got the "room service" that he used to get in times past.

Your correspondent met Mrs. John Kinney, the former Betty Breech, and two children in one of Rockland's department stores recently. She was inquiring and would like to be remembered to former fellow employees and acquaintances.

Also met retired Pullman Conductor Richard Hopkins and wife recently. "Hoppity" is looking well and says he's keeping up on the events by watching this column in the Messenger. He wants to be remembered to the "boys."

Mr. and Mrs. Willard E. Beckwith are the proud parents of a baby boy.

Mrs. Backwith is Clerk Stenographer at General Yard Office, Rigby. Mr. Beckwith is a B&M Trainman.

General Yardmaster W. G. Smith has enjoyed a few days vacation. Trainmaster R. E. MacLearn also has enjoyed a few days vacation. Yard Clerks enjoying vacations are D. P. Barker and E. A. Hill.

Telegraph operators who have been on vacation are R. A. Powers, J. M. Weingaertner, R. C. Burwood and E. H. Gronlund.

Watchman John McFarland has been on vacation, as has Crossing Tender C. M. Bode.

"PETE" RETIRES—Joseph A. "Pete" White of Lewiston, right, was recently presented a purse on his retirement. He came to work for Maine Central in 1923. Track Supervisor Don Wolfe made the presentation in behalf of Pete's many friends and coworkers.
WATERTOWN SHOPSMEN POSE—Checker Roy McCom- mick, left, and Foreman Sid Brown smiled for the Messenger camera.
The Messenger Camera

HONORED BY LODGE—Walter W. Driscoll received a 50-year membership award recently at his lodge meeting, and was joined by this group of veteran railroadmen for a souvenir picture. This group totals 213 years of service. Front row, from left, George C. Larson, 43 years; Leonard E. King, 44 years; Norman J. Massengale, 25 years; and Charles B. Harris, 27 years. Rear, A. L. Hall, 15 years; Mr. Driscoll, 48 years; and C. M. Smith, 11 years.

SEND-OFF FOR THE BRIDEGROOM—When Bill Manning, Car Accounting Department, worked his last day before his recent marriage to Marion Perkins, Data Processing Department, his fellow workers presented gifts. From left, on the occasion, were George Campbell, Fred Bither, Linnie MacDowell, Jerry Shea, Ray Briggs, Connie Davis, Cliff Clifford, Everett Goddard and Bob Nurse.

MESSENGER EDITORS MEET—Assistant Editors of the Maine Central Messenger and guests attended their annual luncheon June 27 at Cape Elizabeth. From left, seated, Gertrude Holbrook, secretary, Public Relations Dept.; Myrtle Neilson, general offices; Joseph H. Cobb, editor; Carol Bradgon, general offices; Marion Stevens, general offices; and Ruth Brochu, Waterville Station, Standing. Harold Clark, Veterans; John Johnson, Rigby Yard; W. B. Lewis, Rockland; Henry White, Lewiston; Frank Ware, Bangor; Arthur Doucette, Waterville Yard; G. K. Stevens, Waterville Shops; Albert B. Wetmore, Rigby Engine House; Al Kennedy, Sports; A. M. Knowles, general counsel; Bill Manning, Sports; James O. Born, chief engineer; and Robert S. Thing, Brunswick. Alice Allen and Molly Fehlau, general offices, and Horace Rodrigue, Augusta, weren’t present for the picture.

From The History File...

Back in the early 20's, Maine Central operated a subsidiary called the Sam-O-See Company, borrowing the name of the railroad’s fine hotel at Rockland. Sam-O-Set operated passenger buses like this between Portland and Harrison, at the head of Long Lake. This is No. 100, a 29-passenger Fageol, with its driver, Perley B. Sanborn. The blue and white bus was powered by a six-cylinder, 100 h.p. Hall-Scott engine, governor-controlled to 38 miles per hour.

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FOR BETTER VISIBILITY—Switcher 961 emerged from the Waterville Shops last month wearing a new color scheme, with plenty of bright yellow to increase its visibility. The base color, as before, is black.