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FIRST AID TEAMS IN BIG MEET

D. H. Howard Tells Story of New North Shore Line Extension

Engineer Who Has Been in Charge of New Line Since Its Beginning Gives Some Interesting Facts and Figures

H. HOWARD, "The Man of the Hour" in the district which the Chicago North Shore and Northern railroad will serve, gave a very interesting talk on the plans for the railroad and on the work which has been done thus

Mr. Howard is in charge of the far. building of the road and has then a leading part in the engineering plans since their inception.

"The first step in the railroad was, of course, obtaining permission from the Illinois Commerce Commission for its construction. After this was obtained ordinances were secured from the cities of Evanston and Niles Center," Mr. Howard said.

"The Evanston ordinance was submitted on January 1, and after considerable changing was passed on April 1. The Niles Center ordinance was passed upon submission the first time.

"The most important engineering feature of the new line is the grading system. The cost of the grading will be approximately \$100,000. The grade will be 9,600 feet in length. There will be 373,000 cubic yards of dirt used in this part of the construction.

Three Per Cent Incline Necessary

"The greatest incline of the construction will be immediately after the tracks leave the present right of way of the North Side division of the Rapid Transit Company where there will be a three per cent grade. This is approxi-mately the same as the incline at Wilson Avenue. from the lower terminal to the structure.

"This incline is necessitated by the closeness of the Northwestern tracks and the fact that the new line will pass under these tracks as well as the street to the east of them. The tracks will

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NEW CARS AND BUSES FOR SUMMER SERVICE New Car Equipment Same As Recent

Orders; 13 Buses of New Make

EN new steel cars and thirteen new buses should all be in service by the time this issue of the HIGHBALL reaches its readers, according to an announcement by Harold Otis, engineer car equipment.

The steel car order includes two parlor observation cars, one diner and seven passenger cars. The cars were built by the Cincinnati Car Company, who have built all of the recent shipments, and conform in design and specifications with the cars received last year.

The thirteen new buses are the first to be purchased by our company from the Yellow Coach Manufacturing Company and will be used for surburban and city service. They are somewhat on the order of the Whites now in service, but are easily distinguishable by their aluminum radiators.

Two new Fageols of the inter-city type, were also expected early in July. They will be used for tours and chartering by special parties. The new ones will be similar to the Fageol intercities already in service.

The new steel cars will be used to take care of the summer increase and, (Continued on page 2)

MEN AND GIRLS APPEAR AT CHICAGO

Men's Team Places Fifth After Hard Tussle Against **Big Odds**

WO first aid teams, a men's and a girls', represented our company at first annual championship first aid contest at First Regiment Armory in Chicago on June 20. The men's team placed fifth in the contest, which was won by the Chicago Rapid Transit Company team.

Members of the North Shore Line men's team who competed are:

M.	Wittry
C.	DeVolk

- F. Mead
- J. Jennings
- P. Hicks
- H. Renner

The showing of the North Shore team was most creditable when the fact that they have not had the length of training afforded the other teams competing is considered. This reduces the number of men available as well as the experience of the men chosen.

The standing of the teams in the competition was as follows:

Chicago Rapid Transit Co	95.8
Commonwealth Edison Co	95.4
Illinois Bell Telephone Co	95.0
Peoples Gas Light & Coke Co	3.6
NORTH SHORE LINE	3.4
Public Service Company of North-	
TILLER	

The North Shore team evidently were nervous when the competition began for they only scored 81 on their first problem, a handicap hard to overcome. They fought hard however and on one of the ensuing problems hung up a per-fect score. Had their first problem score been above 90 they would have been much higher in the final standing.

The girls' team made their first public. appearance at the meet and proved the hit of the evening. They were all decked out in their new uniforms and presented a very attractive

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appearance as they went through their various problems under the able captaincy of K. C. Grant.

The girls' team is composed of the following:

K. C. Gra	ant, Captain
Esther Zersen	Margaret Davison
Esther Krueger	Gertrude Stehle
Ada Helfer	Marcella Dietmeyer
Evelyn Ramselle	Madelyn Strang
Hattie Boehm	Elizabeth Schanck
Emma Lathrop	Mary McCarthy
Julia Ludlow	Esther Kennedy
Dora Setterman	Mildred Rogers
Florence Martini	Luella Attridge

J. Lund acted as a recorder for the match and the following were ushers: M. Stadler, L. Bentley, J. Zwetsch, L. F. VanDuyn and W. Henderson.

The North Shoro Line spirit manifested itself in the loyal band of rooters which accompanied the two teams to the meet. Several times the announcer commented on the excellent showing of the rooters.

"Tonight's gathering is strikingly impressive when it is compared with similar gatherings in this armory six or seven years ago," said Howard C. Mathison of Bauer and Black, who presented a handsome trophy to the winner.

"At that time men were gathering

here on a mission of destruction and wanton slaughter, righteous though it was. Tonight you men are gathered on a mission of saving lives and aiding a needy fellow man.

"This first aid work is the finest work to which a company or an individual can dedicate part or all of their time and the companies and men which sponsor it are to be highly commended."

The finish of the meet was very exciting and the winner in doubt until the end. When the teams began the final problem the Bell Telephone team and the Rapid Transit team were very few points apart and the Commonwealth Edison team a close third. The telephone team and the Rapid Transit team both lost eight points on the last problem just enough to place the Edison team ahead of the telephone boys.

"Next year we'll show 'em,' was the statement of the North Shore team as they left the big hall. "Watch us next year."

On June 25, the teams gave an exhibition at the annual convention of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers at the Edgewater Beach Hotel, Chicago.

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then run in an open cut until they pass under Ridge Avenue.

"The right of way is being built to accommodate a four track line, although only two tracks will be laid at the present time. At its narrowest point the right of way is 125 feet wide and for the remainder of the distance it is between 150 and 200 feet in width.

"The sharpest curve will be a 3 per cent curve, approximately the same as at Loyola station on the North Side division right of way.

Spring Rains Hinder

"Because of the excessive spring rains we have been hampered in our work somewhat with ground water. In making the cuts we first are forced to run a trench down the center of the cut and then dig out level with that, continuing the operation until the proper level is reached.

"Some of the soil is not as good as we had expected and at Ridge we had to cut 12 feet below the subway level in order to reach better bottom."

Mr. Howard gave the following figures on materials needed for the new railroad in order to give some idea of its magnitude:

373,000 cubic yards of grading, 110-000 of which is to be borrowed and 263,000 from our own right of way. 108,000 cubic yards is already in place (June 24).

9,600 feet of sewer; 4,000 feet in place. 20,000 cubic yards of concrete.

3,400,000 pounds of structural iron.

500 tons of reinforcing steel.

11 miles of track.

8½ miles of 100-lb. rail.

 $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles of 80-lb. rail.

400 square yards of street paving and sidewalks.

6 miles of temporary track now in use. 200 carloads of cement.

200 carloads of gravel.

100 carloads of sand.

There will be a total of 2,400 carloads of malerial used.

On Tuesday, August 19, a special meeting of stockholders has been called for the purpose of voting to legally take over the Chicago North Shore and Northern Railroad Company by the Chicago North Shore and Milwaukee Railroad Company. The new road was financed by the North Shore Line, but the separate company which was formed is now to be absorbed by the parent company.



The Girls' Team in Action

New Cars and Buses for Summer Service

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when conditions permit, some of the older equipment will be retired.

With a break in the rainy weather, a big jump in traffic was anticipated. F. W. Shappert, traffic manager, reports that chartered buses are in big demand and blames the extremely unseasonable spring for the moderate number of tour patrons.

Card of Thanks

Gratefully acknowledging and thanking you for the beautiful floral offerings and the kind expressions of sympathy during our hour of trial and sorrow.

Mrs. John Myhre and Family.

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A North Shore Trainman's Dream

By **Motorman Short**

A handsome North Shore trainman Lay on a bed of pain,

All hope was passed; his life ebbed fast, He ne'er would rise again.

"Have you a sweetheart fair and true?''

They whispered o'er his bed,

"Whom you would tell a last farewell?''

The trainman softly said:

- "There's Daisy up in Evanston, And Millie in Wilmette.
- There's Katie dear in Kenilworth, Those girls I can't forget.
- At Indian Hill there's Sadie,
- At Winnetka, Marjorie, At Hubbard Woods there's a little Swede,

Whom I must surely see.

The watchers stared in wild surprise, And then they said once more,

- "Now tell us, pray, without delay, The girl whom you adore,
- The girl whom you have sworn to love, And bring both wealth and fame,
- Your promised wife and hope and life, Hurry, let's know her name."

There's Olga at Ravinia,

A K. M., that is true; In Highland Park there is Mary,

Trene, Fay, and Sue. Then there is one in Highwood, Please don't ask me to stop; Although Rosie is a Dago. She's a nifty little Wop.

"There's Priscilla in Lake Forest, And Mabel in Lake Bluff, At Rondout there is Susie,

- And in Area I've done my stuff. Then up in old Waukegan,
- There's Harriet, Jane and Bess. Then look up Anna May from Zion, In my purse is her address.

"In Kenosha I have Martha, May the Gods be good to me. At Racine there's red-headed Julia, Just bring them all to me. There's Hattie in Milwaukee, And many more I can't recall," The trainman sighed, "It's time I died, I've sworn to love them all."

Couldn't Hold It

The stationmaster, hearing a crash on the platform, rushed out of his office just in time to see the express that had just passed through disappearing round the curve, and a disheveled young man sprawled out perfectly flat among a confusion of overturned milk cans and the scattered contents of his traveling bag. "Was he trying to catch a train?"

the stationmaster asked of a small boy who stood by, admiring the scene.

"He hid catch it," said the boy, happily, "but it got away again."

UP AND DOWN THE LINE

Maintenance of Way

By Bess Schank

Vacations Are in Order Again

L. BALL leaves Saturday for a real vacation. He's going fishing up North without his wife. Anyone can have the surplus fish by calling for them and paying all expenses?????

W. G. FITZGERALD is fishing up North. He says the ''big ones'' all got away. Some fish story. WE HAVE discovered the reason

Andy Christensen is out so much. Baseball season has started. Bet Andy hasn't missed a game, especially the double headers at the Cubs. But where

is Mr. Hyatt? YOU CAN find Roadmaster Young at Great Lakes every day around 12 o'clock. The reason: STRAWBERRY SHORTCAKE.

THERE IS a rumor that Mr. Kramer's secret ambition is to be THERE IS Mayor of Berryville. Isn't one Mayor in the Engineering Department enough?

WHERE IS the Chief Clerk? Time for sweet rolls and coffee.

C. B. WILLISON reports the finger is growing nicely. In about 35 years it will be as good as the old one NEED ANY POISON? The Road Department is manufacturing a new brand. Guaranteed to kill all kinds of weeds, cattle and insects.

V. McFARLAND is the new cost clerk. Glad to have him work in our department. But, did W. Linstroth need an assistant?

HAVE YOU missed anyone in the Road Department. Hasn't it been quiet for the last month? Ellen Emanuelson resigned. We thought to get married, but haven't seen an announcement yet.

OUR NEW Steno's name is Madge Smith. Comes from Indiana. She reports after a week end in Logansport that the cherries are ripe and her mother needs someone to pick them. Boys! here is a chance to earn some money during your vacation. But Madge, we do not think that the cherries are the attraction.

MR. HOMAN is conscientious. The girls from the First Aid team tried to get him to go to Lake Geneva with them last Thursday. He had work to do.

MR. KRAMER thinks I spend too many week ends in Chicago. If I wasn't so attached to the bunch in the office I would spend all my time in there.

J. F. McKAY is studying to be a lawyer. Do we need any more legal advisors on the North Shore Line?

THE ELECTRICAL department and the road department have lots of fun trying to keep out of each others way on the pole line job. Leave it to Mr. Kramer to keep the road department ahead.

WONDER TEN. C. Line to the trouble with his bookkeeper on the weed killer outfit this year?

Office No. 1

WE EXTEND our sympathy Mr. Hicks. Sorry the widow has left for





Above picture shows the audience at the monthly Milwaukee safety meeting. A story of the meeting, which was addressed by Mr. Arnold and Mr. Simons, among others, was given in the HIGH-BALL last issue. The band at the right played at the meeting, donating their services through the instigation of an employe who is a member.



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California, but you should have stepped on it. Who will drive the Studebaker now?

OUR SAFETY ENGINEER has a new suit—dark brown to match his eyes. Don't rush girls he's married.

WANTED—One pair of non-skids. Dot cannot get her footing when playing Volley Ball. Ask Harold Duffy about it.

WE ARE worried about K. C. Grant. Since she has had that wild ride, she will not come down to earth. Sh-h-h, there is another side to the story.

YES, TEG has taken Dot's advice and when she goes riding with "him" she insists that he does not drive more than 71 miles an hour. Under the circumstances, we don't blame her, but are merely jealous. LOST! One boss, small but mighty—

LOST! One boss, small but mighty somewhere between New York, Springfield, Washington, Niles Center, Chicago and General Offices at Highwood. Finders please return to worried employes of the office of Assistant to the President.

THE LATEST in the Employment Office—''No afternoons off.'' Ruth Seiler took the afternoon off and got married. Sorry to see you leave, Ruth, but then they will do it, and we're here to wish you all kinds of good luck. PLEASE GO easy, Dora, another

shock will kill us. YES, WE have a new stenographer

in the Employment Department. Her name is Marie Drobnic from Waukegan and she is a ''non-bob.'' Miracles will happen.

Mechanical

HAROLD DUFFY has been seen calling at the Mayor's house in Highland Park very near every evening. It seems kind of queer to us that he always enters in the rear door. Could it be possible that he is calling on the Mayor's cook instead of his daughter.

THE QUESTION that has now arisen at the Highwood Office is: Does Ed. Gurney live in Highland Park or Waukegan. The majority say he goes to Waukegan very near every night, so it must be Waukegan. It's a pretty good town, eh, Ed? For some people. We wonder what the attraction is. There must be a woman in the case.

KENNETH OWENS is going with a blonde from Waukegan, and he is everlasting talking about her. To hear him talk it won't be long before he will jump off with the rest of them and get married. LET US KNOW, KENNETH WHEN?

Ticket Accounting

WE WONDER when the girl who has been talking so much about getting a diamond is going to get it. We wish he would hurry and give it to her so we can add her name to the rest of the names of girls who have diamonds. You know we can't always believe what we hear. We must see.

NICK thought he had a good hiding place in the vault up until Mary MacCarthy walked in there after something and to her surprise found him trimming his corns. Better find a new place to trim your corns, Nick.

Purchases and Supplies

YES, IT'S true, Madolyn Zook has had her hair bobbed? Almost had to get the first aid team to work on some of the girls the first morning she came to work with it bobbed It was such a shock some of them nearly passed out. But it's very becoming and Madolyn likes it too. Oh yes, he likes it very much!

IT WAS almost as much of a shock when Gertrude Stehle got her hair shingled. Gertrude has just returned from her vacation. Says she had a good time staying home.

WE HAVE A new girl in our office. She hails from Des Moines, Iowa, but is now living in Evanston. She's sure a peach! Ain't it so, Kenneth? Her name is Dorothy Lahn.

MR. COATSWORTH insists that some of the girls in this office are "Rowdies" just because they tried to break into Helen Berkdahl McOmber's new home before Helen got there. They succeeded in getting in however, without his help.

THE L. A. L. CLUB in this office are going to see "Artists and Models" on Friday, June 27th. They sure picked a good show, but they didn't ask any men to go along.

FRED WAGNER is leaving this department to take his brother's place in the Ticket Accounting Department. We certainly hate to see him go, but wish his success in his new position. ERWIN RAATZ has been transferred

ERWIN RAATZ has been transferred from the storehouse to this office to take the position vacated by Fred Wagner. We're glad to have him with us, and we trust he'll like his new job.

Auditing

HATTIE BOEHM has sent in a service slip suggesting that all company mice be muzzled. We have a few pet evening visitors occasionally and Hattie generally climbs on the highest desk at such times to practice vocal training.

LEE ABEGG bought a new rain coat the other day after he got soaked in a cloud-burst. And now it "Ain't gonna rain no more."

WE HAVE a new bookkeeper with us. His name is Christy Hamlink and he is from Kenosha. Come in and give him the glad hand.

O. E. FOLDVARY has made a distinct improvement in his golf lately. He has cut down his non-dictionary vocabularly about 50 per cent. That's playing the game.

REMEMBER OUR old North Shore Fillies favorite—Marion Fisher? Well, she's coming back to the Auditing Department. She has been away at college since we last saw her.

RALPH STRAND, the blonde sheik, who recently came to the cost division of the Auditing Department, has been transferred to the Chicago North Shore & Northern Railroad.

HAROLD MASON is back on the Line again. He takes the place vacated by Ralph Strand in the Cost Division.

JAMES DUFFY will henceforth grace the corner formerly occupied by Paul Meade. James will be a worthy successor and will continue the cheerful atmosphere that has graced this corner for so long.

GEORGE ROHNOW comes to the Cost Division to replace James Duffy, who was transferred as timekeeper. George also comes from that wicked city, Kenosha.

In Memoriam

By O. E. Foldvary

On Tuesday morning, June 10, 1924, Paul Meade passed into his last long sleep, and how welcome was this rest after a week of pain and suffering from the ravages of pneumonia. Although his passing brought sorrow to all who knew him, his death leaves a memory of sweetest recollections.

The unusually wide-spread extent and sincerity of the sympathetic reaction caused among his fellow employes on the North Shore Line is a natural result of a well spent life, conceived in high ideals and dedicated to noble purposes of kindliness and consideration for others.

Paul Meade treasured frierdship as something sacred and not to be confused with the ordinary things in life. Consequently, it was not difficult for him to win the affections of those he called friends.

His character stood on a foundation of truth, integrity and loyalty and regardless of how heavy the burden of his life became at times he was never false to his ideals. His motto was the axiom, "Be true to thyself, and it follows as the night the day, thou cans'tnot then be false to anyone."

Will Scorn Health Bankrupt

Going into health bankruptcy will some day be judged with the same severity as taking advantage of the bankruptcy laws in finance. So says Dr. Ray Lyman Wilbur, president of Leland Stanford University and of the American Medical Association.

"A servant of humanity has no right to be physically unable to perform his duties," Dr. Wilbur declares. "The paramount importance of health for the adequate discharge of public and private duties can escape no one.

"It is probable that in a reformed public opinion of the future a breakdown in health, when obviously caused by excess or imprudence, or culpable ignorance, will be regarded as a species of bankruptcy and will be severely judged."