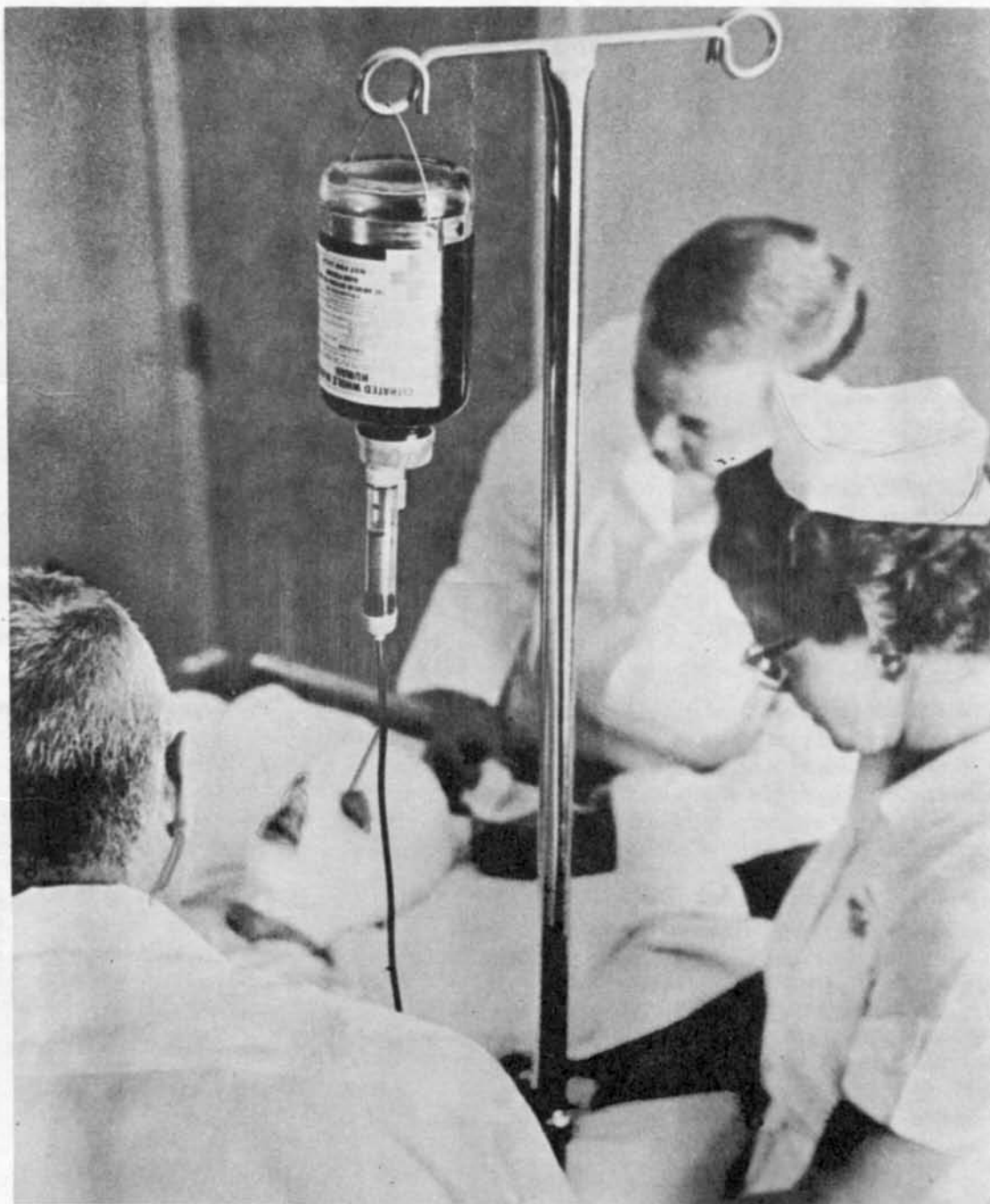




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Life-saving blood collected by the American Red Cross is administered to a patient. During

1959-1960, 202,000 persons donated blood to Red Cross each month. (Story on Page 3)



MEMO ... FROM THE PRESIDENT

The railroads which make up the proposed new transportation company incorporated as Great Northern Pacific & Burlington Lines have recently published a booklet titled "Consolidation... Key to Transportation Progress." This booklet provides basic general information which we sincerely hope will enable our officers and employees, as well as the public, to understand and interpret the issues that will be developed. For that reason we are making copies available to our own personnel, as well as to the general public. I am especially anxious that all Northern Pacific personnel read management's job protection pledge which is contained in the booklet. If you have not received your copy, you may obtain one through your supervisory officer.

Filing of the formal merger application to the Interstate Commerce Commission was scheduled, as this was written, for about Feb. 17. The plan will be submitted to Northern Pacific stockholders at their annual meeting April 27; to Burlington stockholders May 3 and Great Northern, May 11.

If the NP, GN and Burlington stockholders approve the merger plan, the ICC will then issue notice of public hearings. It is expected that the first hearing will not be called before late June or early July, at the earliest, and other hearings, probably covering several months, would follow, so that all participants can present their views.

How much time will elapse before the ICC renders a decision is anybody's guess, but it could be well into 1962, or even longer. And, as I have said before in this column, if the merger is authorized, it is estimated at least five years will be required after approval by the ICC to completely integrate the properties.

Carloadings and revenues continue at levels substantially below last year. In common with other railroads, we have had to curtail our program of work. I hope that this picture will soon change so that employment can be restored and our program of improvements carried out.

Robert MacFarlane

BURGESS NAMED DIRECTOR



C. H. Burgess, Vice President in charge of Operation and Maintenance, has been elected to the Company board of directors.

He succeeded Walter H. McLeod, of Missoula, who retired after 13 years' service on the board.

Mr. Burgess has been with Northern Pacific since 1916. He was elected Vice President in 1954.

PETERSON AND STEVENSON NAMED ASSISTANT VP'S



H. A. Peterson



E. M. Stevenson

H. A. Peterson and E. M. Stevenson have been named to the newly created positions of Assistant Vice President-Traffic of the Northern Pacific Railway, it was announced by W. J. Luchsinger, Vice President-Traffic.

Peterson, Freight Traffic Manager since 1946, will supervise freight sales and service in the central, eastern and southern states. Stevenson, who moves up from eastern Freight Traffic Manager, will supervise sales and service in on-line territory between the Twin Cities and the North Pacific Coast and in western off-line territory. Both men will headquarter in St. Paul.

A native of Eau Claire, Wis., Peterson attended high school and business school there before entering railroad service in Cincinnati in 1920 with the Big Four Route. He

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On the Cover

With March designated as Red Cross month by the President of the United States, Northern Pacific can view with pride its participation in Red Cross service programs across the nation.

Outstanding is the NP record in the blood program in Red Cross blood centers and outlying participating counties throughout the system. In St. Paul, donors from NP offices and shops report on a rotation plan averaging 20 pints of blood per month. This has been going on ever since the blood center opened in December 1948.

In addition, bloodmobile visits at the general office building in the past two years brought out 250 blood donors.

In return the Red Cross provides blood and blood products for all employees resident in its blood regions wherever they may be when they are in need, hospitalized at home or away from home. This year statistics show that almost five percent of the people will need blood to recover from illness and accidents.

No charge is ever made for blood in participating hospitals, which include the Northern Pacific hospital in St. Paul. Hospitals must make a charge for their own services of cross-matching and administration of the blood. They also reimburse Red



COMO SHOP EMPLOYEES, pictured with Nurse Betty Glynn, were recent blood donors at the St. Paul Red Cross center:

From left: R. F. Hejbal, D. K. Kolbeck, L. A. Shaw, C. E. Simpson, V. J. Pierce, Sam Bongiovanni,

Roman Prokop, M. T. Shoquist, V. G. Thomas, L. R. McDonnell, R. R. Opine, D. D. Plumley, J. M. Gibbons, P. W. Moore, L. R. Dawley, Hiram Smith, Fred Zabalan, C. B. Ashley, R. M. Klein.

Not in the picture is P. L. LaBore.

Cross for part of its costs, but the major expense of the blood program is paid out of money contributed by the people in Red Cross fund campaigns.

In addition to the blood program for civilians, the military and defense, the Red Cross has the responsibility of providing help to men and women in uniform, veterans and their families. Last year this cost more than 33 million dollars. Serving the Armed Forces is a specific charge set forth in the Congressional Charter of 1900. A second government obligation is to provide relief

for disaster victims.

The Red Cross teaches youths and adults to play safely in the water, to administer first aid in accidents. It teaches mothers how to care for their children and nurse members of their families through sickness. It provides good citizenship training for school children through Junior Red Cross.

This year's Red Cross slogan, "Good Things Happen When you Help," means help with money, with service as volunteers and with blood. Make good things happen through Red Cross.



LAST MAN CLUB members celebrated their 10th anniversary together. Back row, from left: Michael J. Resline, Raymond H. Loeffelholz, and Earl F. Tipler. Front row: C. L. Messerli, William P. Pewters, and Adolph A. Micko.

Representing more than 240 years of service in Northern Pacific's Accounting Department, the six met in Napoleon's restaurant for their annual dinner. The group formed their "last man club" in 1950 when the six celebrated 30-year careers together. They started work with the railroad within weeks of each other back in 1920 and each man is now a department manager in the accounting section.

Photo Courtesy St. Paul Pioneer Press

MORSE CLUB GROWING

The Morse Telegraph Club of America, which was organized in 1942 to provide a way for telegraphers to keep in touch and to perpetuate the facts and traditions of "brass pounders" in America, holds an annual meeting late in April every year. A strictly social organization whose dues are \$2 a year, the telegraphers have a unique arrangement with Western Union during their annual meeting. An all-around telegraph circuit hooked up through Western Union all over the United States allows old operators to show up at designated locations and get into the act by wire visits with old friends.

The Morse Telegraph Club has chapters all over the United States, and a charter for a new chapter or individual membership can be had by application to Jack B. Welles, National Historian, at Grand Chapter, Morse Telegraph Club of America, 502 Elm Avenue, Long Beach 12, California.

PETERSON AND STEVENSON APPOINTMENTS

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later worked for the Clinchfield and Lehigh Valley Railroads before joining NP as City Freight Agent in Cincinnati in 1927. Following assignments as City Freight Agent and Commercial Agent at Chicago, Peterson returned to Cincinnati as General Agent. He was Assistant Freight Traffic Manager at St. Paul before he became Freight Traffic Manager.

Stevenson was born in Pittsburgh. He joined Northern Pacific at Spokane in 1935 after attending Washington State University and eight years' service with the Union Pacific. He was transferred to Seattle in 1937 where he was successively City Freight Agent, Commercial Agent, Foreign Freight Agent and General Agent, Freight Department. Stevenson was Assistant General Freight and Passenger Agent at Tacoma, Wash., and General Freight Agent in Seattle before going to New York in March, 1960.



PRESIDENT'S COMMISSION ON WORK RULES . . .

Here is the special Presidential Commission set up to study the work rules dispute between U.S. railroads and five train operating unions as it posed with President Eisenhower at an historic labor-management meeting at the White House. The 15-member group, which was to convene on January 6 with its chairman, James P. Mitchell, former Secretary of Labor, is due to report its findings to President Kennedy on or before December 1, 1961. The Commission was appointed by the Chief Executive under terms of an agreement reached last October 18 between the two parties, and consists of five public members chosen directly by the President, five nominated by rail management and five by labor.

Seated, left to right: J. E. Wolfe, of Chicago, vice president-personnel of the Burlington Lines; Secretary of Labor Mitchell; President Eisenhower; S. C. Phillips, of Cleveland, assistant president of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen; and James W. Fallon, of Minneapolis, vice president of the Switchmen's Union of North America.

Standing, left to right: T. A. Jerrow, of St. Paul, vice president-operations of the Great Northern Railway; H. F. Sites, of Harrisburg, Pa., vice president of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen; B. B. Bryant, of Huntington, W. Va., assistant vice president-labor relations of the Chesapeake & Ohio Railway; Daniel P. Loomis, of Washington, D.C., president of the Association of American Railroads; Francis J. Robertson, a Washington attorney and arbitrator; Russell A. Smith, of Ann Arbor, Michigan, associate dean of the University of Michigan Law School and arbitrator; Charles A. Myers, of Weston, Mass., professor of industrial relations, Massachusetts Institute of Technology; A. F. Zimmerman, of Cleveland, assistant grand chief, Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers; S. W. Holliday, of Vancouver, Wash., vice president, Order of Railway Conductors and Brakemen; and Guy W. Knight, of Philadelphia, director of labor relations for the Pennsylvania Railroad. Not present for the picture taken Dec. 22 was the fifth public member, John T. Dunlap, of Belmont, Mass., professor of economics, Harvard University.





ST. PAUL WINTER CARNIVAL ROYALTY AND PRINCESSES were feted in a Northern Pacific diner at the commissary.

Rudy Clemmensen, chairman, Northern Pacific Carnival Committee; Frederick Soderberg, Boreas Rex, XXIV; Muriel Lux, Queen of the Snows; Carl W. Cummins, Jr., Prime Minister.



Left to right - Russell H. Dick, a member of the Northern Pacific Carnival Committee; Princess Mary Ann Schwab of the Golden Rule, and now Queen of the Snows; Mrs. John Burg, wife of former Prime Minister John Burg; Elisabeth Trout, Princess representing Northwestern Bell Telephone Co.



RAILWAY PASSENGERS, arriving and departing at King Street Station, Seattle, December 22, were serenaded with Christmas carols by this group of nine male voices comprising representatives of the Traffic, Freight Claims, and Properties and Industrial Development Departments.

Mrs. Edellyn Kudrna is shown directing the chorus. In back row are Jerry Robinson, Ray Spessard, Chuck Brokke, Gerry Grissom, and Gene Marx. Front row: Dick Eisen, George McRae, Boyd Martin, and Wally Torgerson.



RICHARD ROTH, Traveling Freight & Passenger Agent, Spokane, has recently been appointed General Agent at Missoula.



NATIONAL SAFETY COUNCIL

RETIREMENTS

Very best wishes for many more years of peaceful, happy living to the following employees who retired. May their years of loyal service bring their just rewards and may their memories of Northern Pacific be always pleasant ones.

NAME	OCCUPATION	LOCATION	YEARS SERVICE	NAME	OCCUPATION	LOCATION	YEARS SERVICE
Harry J. Hare	Machinist	Livingston	38	R. E. Trueblood	Relief Clerk - The DUD & T. Co.	Duluth	49
F. W. Buelow	Telegrapher	Aitkin	44	Moses Meyer	Pass. Carman Helper	St. Paul	34
Leonard Valenty	Painter	St. Paul	38	Olivo Domini	Section Foreman	Philipsburg	51
Miles H. Dann	Switchtender	Minneapolis	32	Iso Skorich	Crossing Watchman	Duluth	43
W. R. Whitcome	Agent-Telegrapher	Medina	51	H. R. Morrau	Agent-Telegrapher	Fertile	47
James E. Flynn	Conductor	Mandan	48	Gunder Berglund	Section Foreman	Crookston	43
Rose N. Trones	Cashier	St. Cloud	43	Guido Tazioli	Crossing Flagman	Seattle	41
Henry L. Gunther	Water Service Frmn	Cle Elum	21	Nello Pancrazzi	Section Laborer	Livingston	30
H. M. Silvemil	Ldg Car Inspector	Billings	38	J. G. Schweitzer	Agent-Telegrapher	Mapleton	37
Edward C. Durrer	Locomotive Engineer	Livingston	42	Laura E. Olson	Clk -Aud. Disb.	St. Paul	43
C. G. Saines	Switchtender	Tacoma	49	Edmond D. Sherman	Car Repairer	Parkwater	21
H. J. Rosevink	B&B Foreman	Staples	32	Ernest H. Lenz	Boilermaker	Glendive	37
William H. Taylor	Locomotive Engineer	Minneapolis	51				
M. B. P. Dispen	Coach Builder	St. Paul	38				



W. H. (BILL) STAHNKE, passenger carman, St. Paul, retired January 1 after 37 years of service.

Mr. Stahnke is shown here with his wife, daughter and daughter-in-law, and two of his grandchildren. He was honored by fellow employees at a recent gathering at Third Street Coach Yard, St. Paul.

The surest way to get ahead of Russia is to get behind America.—



Honored at a retirement party on January 6 was JOHN SUNDBERG, General Foreman at Brainerd Tie Plant. Mr. Sundberg worked at various jobs for the NP and old M&I RR for a total of 45 years and never had a reportable injury.

From left: Mr. Sundberg, Dick Zietlow, Engineer of Timber Preservation, Howard Blank, General Foreman, and Alyss Loom, retired Engineer of Timber Preservation.



Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Owen

Mrs. Eva Morrison, personal stenographer, Engineering Department, recently became the bride of Albert Owen, retired Assistant Statistician also of the Engineering Department.

Mrs. Owen retired January 31 and was given a party by her office associates and other friends.

Northern Pacific Agent Charles D. Manfred, at Genesee, Idaho, has been chosen Idaho's "Father of the Year." He is shown here with his wife and two daughters. A Genesee resident seven years, Manfred has been active in church, civic and youth activities, and as Idaho winner, he is eligible to enter national competition.

"Charlie" is one of eight sons of James P. Manfred, a retired section foreman of Irvin, Wash. and now deceased. All of the sons have worked for the Northern Pacific and four of them are still in service:

C. D. Manfred, Agent at Genesee

A. C. Manfred, Agent at Irvin

A. J. Manfred, Section Foreman at Coeur d'Alene

W. E. Manfred, Engineer on the Idaho-East roster.

All of them have commendable records.





Northern Pacific Beneficial Association



SPECIAL ASSESSMENT

A special assessment has been levied on all members of the N.P.B.A. by the Executive Committee. ALL members have been assessed 75¢ per month for the months of February through May, 1961, with the exception of the retired members who have been assessed 70¢ per month for the months of April, May and June, 1961.

Active members were assessed through May to coincide with the Directors' meeting. The retired members were assessed from April through June to coincide with their quarterly billing period.

The main reason for the need of a special assessment is that the dues income from members has been drastically reduced because of the reduction in forces. This has resulted in the Association receiving about \$106,000 less from members' dues than last year. If immediate action had not been taken, there would not be sufficient cash to pay expenses and benefits. Costs of benefits in drugs, medical and surgical care and hospitalization have also been increasing.

The Board of Directors will have its annual meeting in the month of May and will review the total needs of the Association at that time.

Members of Local #1185, International Brotherhood of Firemen and Oilers, System Council No. 15, composed of non-professional employees of the St. Paul Hospital, recently presented three table model radios to the hospital for patient use.

This group presented seven table radios to the hospital in 1957.

Radios provide a great deal of pleasure for those who are hospitalized, and we appreciate the thoughtfulness of the members of Local #1185.

We are informed W. J. Luchsinger, Vice-President Traffic will replace Otto Kopp, deceased Vice-President, as a member of the N.P.B.A. Board of Directors.

We welcome Mr. Luchsinger to the Board and look forward to working with him.

We are pleased to present Master Kevin Jeffrey Harbine who was born at 12:36 P.M. January 1st to become Missoula's first baby of 1961.



Kevin, shown here with his mother, is the son of Patrick Harbine, a Physio-Therapist at Missoula Hospital. Congratulations to the happy family.

On January 1, 1959 similar honors went to Janice Breidenbach, daughter of Missoula Hospital's X-ray Technician John Breidenbach and his wife.

HAVE YOU COMPARED YOUR N.P.B.A. BENEFITS
WITH BENEFITS OF OTHER PLANS?

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We are sorry to learn of the death of Dr. H. G. Collie in St. Petersburg, Florida, January 6. He was well known to many members on the Eastern District.

Dr. Collie was a graduate of Northwestern Medical School, Evanston, Ill., and joined the Association in 1918 at the Brainerd Hospital. He later transferred to the St. Paul Hospital where he served in the same capacity until his retirement in 1941.



N.P.B.A. members continue to express their sincere interest in their Association through generous contributions. In recent weeks we have received:

For Tacoma Hospital:

\$100.00 from an anonymous donor.

For St. Paul Hospital:

\$25.00 from Helen M. Fitzgibbon, Stenographer, St. Paul;

\$20.00 from Ed Rockart, Retired Draftsman, Minneapolis;

\$10.00 from Mrs. William Goetz, Winter Haven, Florida, in memory of her brother, Joseph Rose, deceased Machinist;

\$10.00 from A. W. Bengston, Railway Express Agency member, Minneapolis;

\$10.00 from Mrs. Irma E. Andersen, Crossing Watchman, Superior;

A number of magazines from H. D. Engstrom, Engineer, Duluth.

For Missoula Hospital:

A diabetic portion scale from Richard Johnson, Yardmaster, Missoula.

We extend our sincere thanks and gratitude to everyone listed above, as well as to all who have been so generous in the past.

PRESIDENT'S SAFETY AWARD WINNERS

Maintaining the lowest casualty ratio among the seven divisions, the Idaho ranks first at the close of the year 1960. This is the second time the Idaho Division has won the President's Safety Award.

Among the four main shops, Como and Livingston Shops were the winners. Both of these shops came through the year without a lost time injury - an excellent record.

Winners of the Awards of Merit, maintaining a casualty ratio equal to or better than the winning division, were:

SIGNAL DEPARTMENT,

A. J. Hendry, Signal Engineer
ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING
DEPARTMENT,

E. L. Musolf, Electrical Engineer
GENERAL OFFICE,

C. V. Schutt, Superintendent General Office

Our congratulations to all the winners in 1960.

MAKE SAFETY YOUR PROJECT
THIS YEAR.

THE FUTURE USUALLY HAS IN
STORE EXACTLY WHAT'S BEEN
PLACED IN STORE FOR THE
FUTURE.

YAKIMA HIGH SCHOOL BAND IN INAUGURAL PARADE

The fact that a Yakima, Wash., high school band marched in the Kennedy inaugural parade in Washington, D.C., January 20, would be a "so what" to most people outside the Yakima Valley.....

Except that the band is from the Dwight D. Eisenhower high school, which was dedicated shortly after Ike's inauguration in 1957.

Friday night, January 13, the 67 boys and 37 girls who comprise the marching unit boarded Northern Pacific's Vista-Dome North Coast Limited at Yakima for the start of their 3,000-mile journey to the Capital. Money to finance the trip was provided by citizens of the State.

STATEMENT OF EMPLOYEES' REPORTABLE CASUALTIES BY CLASSES FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 31, 1961

	Divisions							Main Shops				Total
	Lake Supr.	St. Paul	Fargo	Yellowstone	Rocky Mtn.	Idaho	Tacoma	Como	Brainerd	Livingston	So. Tacoma	
Enginemen							1					1
Trainmen	1	1										2
Yardmen			1				1					2
Stationmen	1						1					2
Trackmen												
B. & B. men					1							1
Shopmen												
Carmen												
Total	2	1	1	0	1	0	3	0	0	0	0	8
Rank	7	3	5	1	4	1	6	1	1	1	1	
Store												
Dining Car												1
Engineering												1
Signal												
Chief Spl. Agent												
Communications Dept.												
Electrical Engr.												
General Office												
King St. Station												
Miscellaneous												
Grand Total	2	1	1	0	1	0	3	0	0	0	0	10
Casualty Rate per Million Man Hours (est.) - - - - - 3.7												

EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH



Sectionman Nick Christ, of Livingston, was born in Albania, coming to this country in 1914. His only employer has been the Northern Pacific Railway.

His first job was working on the section at Louisville, Montana. After a short time he transferred to the Helena roundhouse, then to the track department as steam shovel fireman.

Since 1917 he has resided in Livingston and has always taken great pride in instructing new employees in track work, especially in safety. One of his early proteges was District



Judge George J. Allen of Livingston.

Residing near the Livingston yard office, Mr. Christ is ever alert to conditions affecting the safe operation of the railroad - both while he is off duty as well as on duty.

His hobby is electric trains, of which he has five.

Mr. and Mrs. Christ have a daughter, son-in-law and two grandchildren residing in California.