

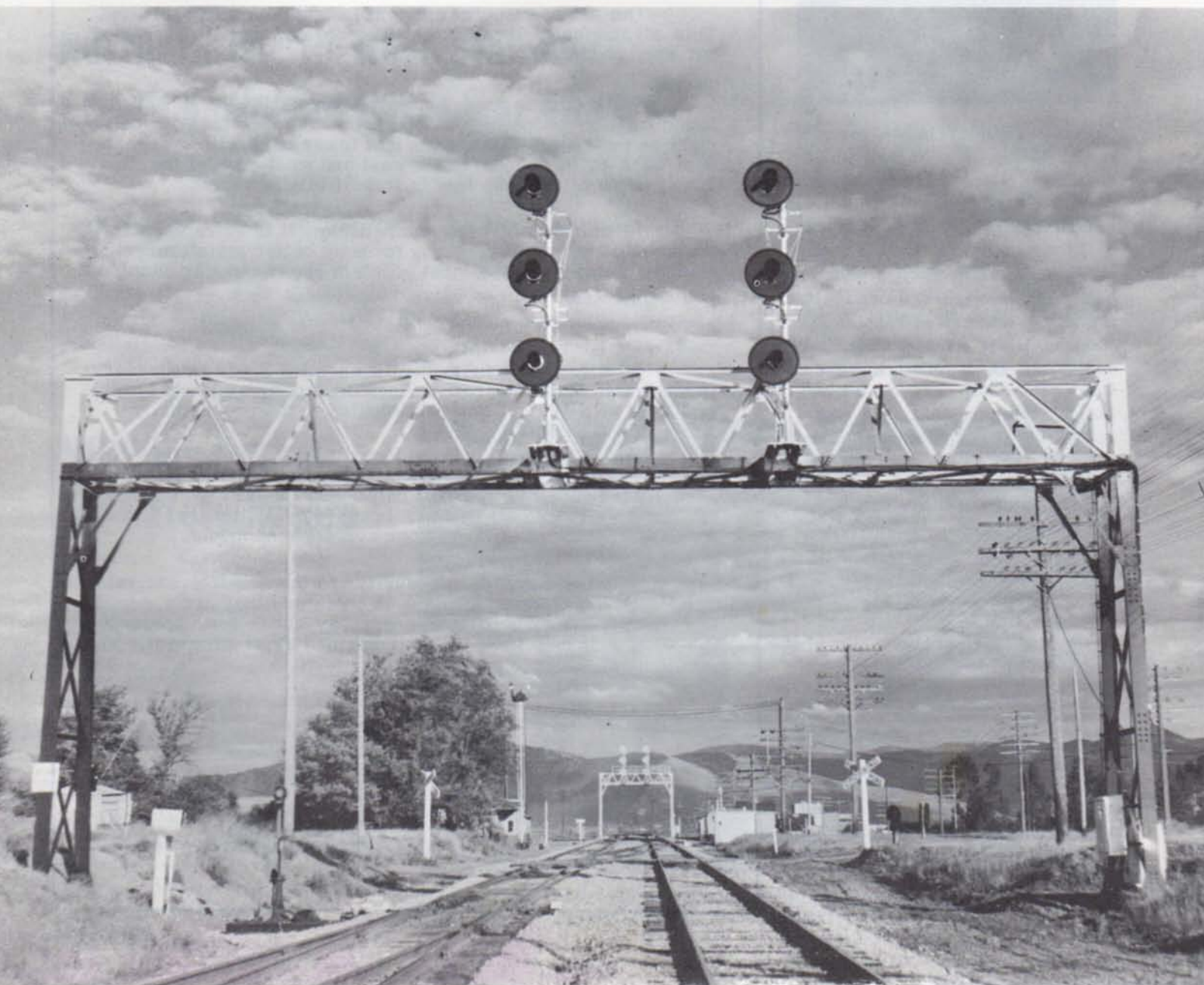
# TELLTALE

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SECOND TROPHY in six years is record set by Gene Nelson, Duluth switchman, winner of recent eastern district NP golf championship held at Gall's near St. Paul. Nelson shot a 76 to retire his second trophy marking the sixth straight year he has been low gross winner. He retired his first cup in 1963. M. O. Woxland, bridge engineer at St. Paul, carded an 80 for runner-up honors. Low net winner was H. Eihlers, Duluth brakeman, with a 64 scored under the Peoria handicap system used at the tourney. Despite high winds and rainy weather, 98 hardy golfers turned out for the 1966 event.

### *Our Cover . . .*

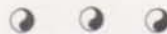
. . . shows the newly installed signals west of Missoula on the new CTC district in that area. Part of an expanded Central Traffic Control system begun by the NP in 1955, this latest phase between Frenchtown and Missoula, Mont., is scheduled for completion in 1966.



## MEMO . . . FROM THE PRESIDENT

Work is progressing rapidly on the enlargement and modernization of the Northern Pacific yard at Missoula. Grading at the site has been completed. The new main line, skirting the south side of the yard, will be in use before the end of this month.

A new weigh-in-motion, electronic scale is scheduled for installation and operation by September. It is expected that 75% of the work on this \$2,060,000 yard improvement and modernization at Missoula will be completed this year.



Our new one-spot car shop at Laurel is now in operation. This strategically located facility provides us with a needed car shop on line.

While cars in need of major repairs will still be handled in our regular shops, the Laurel shop can make many repairs right on the spot. This means that fewer cars will have to be sent back to the shops on the east and west ends of the line. Thus, much of the time lost in transit is eliminated.

In this day of keen competition, it is extremely important that we speed repairs, promote better maintenance of equipment and make the most efficient use of our car supply.



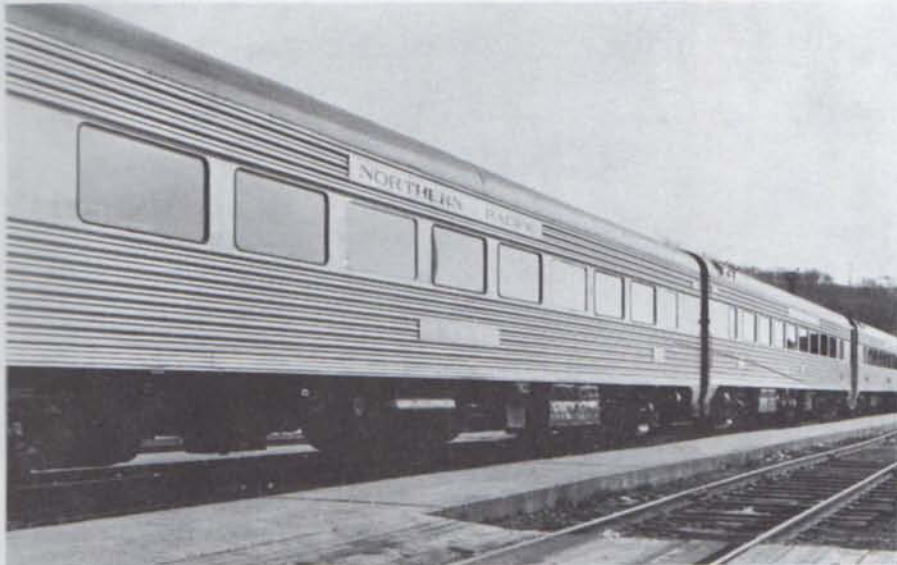
Last year, Northern Pacific enrolled 2,628 new savers in the United States Payroll Savings Bond program, and a total of 50% of all NP employees participated in the program.

Your participation in the Payroll Savings Bond program serves in two important ways - it helps you build financial security for your future and it helps your country by stabilizing the dollar and acting as a brake on inflationary forces which are a present threat to our country's economy.

With the guaranteed security and the new interest rate on U.S. Savings Bonds pegged 4.15 per cent, they are a sound investment. Save a part of every pay check for yourself. Enroll now in the U.S. Payroll Savings Bond program, as recommended by our government.

*Robert MacFarlane*





STAINLESS STEEL COACHES, part of six recently purchased by Northern Pacific Railway, line up at St. Paul Third St. Coach Yard prior to being placed into Main-streeter service.

## Northern Pacific Adds Stainless Steel Coaches to Passenger Fleet

Northern Pacific Railway has added six modern, stainless steel, lightweight coaches to its fleet of passenger cars.

The 64-seat coaches were recently placed in service on Northern Pacific's streamlined Mainstreeters, operating between Chicago and Seattle-Portland.

Among the features of these

completely air-conditioned lightweight coaches are automatic doors that open with only a slight pressure on the door-control panel and close automatically; deep cushioned seats with adjustable backs for a restful, relaxing ride; wide windows that provide an unobstructed view of the magnificent scenery; many modern mechanical safeguards to insure the comfort and safety of NP passengers.

## NP Wins Award for Safety Record

Northern Pacific Railway was named recently to receive a National Safety Council Award of Merit for its meritorious passenger safety record in 1965.

To be eligible for a National Safety Council Award of Merit, a railroad must have a perfect record of no passenger fatalities as well as a better-than-average safety record in regard to accidents and casualties.

This is the second consecutive year Northern Pacific has won a National Safety Council Award. Last year NP received a Gold Spike Award from the Council.



INTERIOR VIEW of streamlined passenger coaches features modern seating and lighting designed for passenger comfort and safety.

## Nipper news bits

BOB Trapp, Jr., local freight-switching at St. Paul, recently performed a feat sought after by all softball pitchers. He pitched a no-hit, no-run ball game.

Pitching for Northern Pacific in the St. Paul Parks and Recreation Softball league, Trapp hurled his no-hitter as he shut out his opponents 5-0. He fanned 16 batters and walked only two.

Aiding in the victory was Jack Schmidt, chief clerk-commercial office, who hit a homer for the winners.

A. W. FOSS, NP agent at Jamestown, was recent winner of the NP Fargo Division Golf Tournament held June 4 at the Jamestown Country Club.

Second and third place low gross winners were K. A. Dahl of Dilworth and C. N. Dahl of Fargo.

E. P. Scherbenske was the Calloway handicap winner, under the handicap system used for scoring the tournament.

Thirty-three NP golfers attended this year's tournament.





MAIN SPEAKER of the evening, NP president Robert S. Macfarlane commends vets for their significant contributions to NP progress.



CAMERA EYE-VIEW of Continental Room shows part of NP Veterans who attended annual banquet. Seen speaking among honored guests at head table is NP vice president E. M. Stevenson, general chairman of the 1966 convention and banquet toastmaster.

at St. Paul Hotel....

## NP Veterans Hold 1966 Convention

For three fun-filled days, June 10-12, hundreds of retired and active NP employees transacted organization business, renewed acquaintances and took part in various social activities during the 1966 Northern Pacific Veterans' Association Convention at St. Paul.

From all points along NP's main line from Seattle to St. Paul, and from cities scattered around the nation, veterans came to the St. Paul convention by train and car. The largest delegation of 130 entered St. Paul's Union Depot late Thursday night, June 9, aboard the North Coast Limited. Beginning at Seattle, they traveled under a special fare arrangement for veterans only, and picked up convention-bound vets along the way.

Others arrived by train and automobile in time for registration which began at 9 a.m., Friday, June 10, in the St. Paul Hotel lobby.

Although the convention was crammed with activities, the highlight of the convention was the annual banquet which began at 6:30 Saturday evening, June 11.

The 580 conventioners filled the Continental Room of the Hotel St. Paul to overflowing. Master of ceremonies E. M. Stevenson, vice president-traffic, introduced speakers including newly-elected St. Paul mayor Thomas R. Bryne, who welcomed the vets to St. Paul; NP president R. S. Macfarlane; G. A. Pringle, past president of the Veteran's Association, and new president B. L. Linnane of Seattle.

Main speaker Robert S. Macfarlane paid tribute to the Vets' members and their contributions to the success of the Northern Pacific.

"We," he said, "are in a period of evolution and re-

volution and all NP employees are a part of it as well as contributors to it." Macfarlane cited the many advances that had been made well within the service experience of the vets gathered for the banquet. He pointed to the accelerated improvements of the past few years in methods of handling freight, modern equipment, better operational procedures and the adoption of modern techniques and instrumentation.

He said he expected to see future Northern Pacific growth and progress with the continued modernization of equipment, methods and "the new forward thinking" which would provide improved service to our shippers.

Before and after the banquet dinner, Candy Strippers from the St. Paul NPBA Hospital performed before the audience. Door prizes drawn at the Ladies Coffee Hour Saturday afternoon were presented to the winners following the dinner. Dancing to Frank Oller's orchestra ended the banquet festivities.

First social event of the busy convention schedule took place Friday noon at Diamond Jim's, a gay nineties type supper club, located south of the St. Paul loop.

Over 200 veterans motored there by chartered bus for a gay time as they ate a smorgasbord luncheon, viewed a wax museum and enchanted castle, and were entertained by the NPBA's Candy Strippers.

In the afternoon, the scene changed to the St. Paul Hotel for a 2:30 board of directors meeting. At 7:30 that evening, a hospitality hour and sing-a-long were held at the hotel.

At the annual meeting held Saturday morning, June 11, the following new officers were named. Seattle's

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ST. PAUL MAYOR Thomas R. Byrne welcomes the hundreds of Northern Pacific veterans to the Saintly City. Byrne was one of several speakers introduced by Toastmaster E. M. Stevenson seated at his right.

Bryan L. Linnane succeeded G. A. Pringle, St. Paul, as new president. Others elected were C. E. Love, Missoula, vice president, and directors Ernest Wies, Duluth; John C. Austin, Hamilton, Mont., and Ober A. Kobs of Seattle. Frank J. Sailer continues as secretary-treasurer at St. Paul.



NEW VETERANS' ASSOCIATION president Bryan L. Linnane of Seattle addresses banquet audience in St. Paul Hotel Continental Room. Attentive listener at right is St. Paul Mayor Thomas R. Byrne.

The convention ended Sunday afternoon, June 12, following a bus tour of the Twin Cities by 110 veterans.

Next year's convention will be at Tacoma, Sailer announced, and is scheduled for June 9-11 at the Winthrop Hotel. Veterans should set aside this date now and plan to attend the 1967 event, according to Sailer.



TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE members await bus arrivals at Hotel St. Paul. From left is G. A. Pringle, Veterans' past president; G. M. deLambert, chairman; G. N. Page, committeeman, and secretary F. J. Sailer.



STEPPING OUT on stage of Continental Room, Candy Strippers from St. Paul NPBA Hospital entertain veterans during banquet. From the left are: Linda Bohnen; Jackie Nienhaus; Becky Schultz; Carol Wiesner; Terry Mercado and Sheryl Goodlet.



ALL ABOARD FOR DIAMOND JIMS! Vets load aboard waiting buses outside Hotel St. Paul for trip to popular supper club at fringe of St. Paul city limits.



LUNCHEON AT DIAMOND JIM'S proved to be a popular attraction of the 1966 Veterans' Convention. Pictured above are some of the 225 vets who dined at the gay ninety-styled eatery during the Friday noon event.





## Promotions



L. S. (Stu) Davis, Jr., has been appointed western freight traffic manager (rates) for the Northern Pacific with offices at Seattle. He succeeds L. S. (Lee) Davis, Sr., who retired July 1 after completing more than 48 years of railroad service.

Davis, Jr., began his railroad career with the Spokane, Portland and Seattle railway traffic department at Portland in 1939. He joined Northern Pacific in August 1965 as general freight agent (rates) with headquarters in St. Paul. In December, 1965 he was trans-



Davis, Sr.



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ferred to Seattle as general freight agent (rates), a post he held until his present appointment.

L. S. (Lee) Davis, Sr., entered railroad service in the operating department of the SP&S railway at Bend, Ore., in 1918. He held various traffic positions with the company, including posts at San Francisco, Astoria, Salem and Portland, Ore., before going with the NP.

He joined Northern Pacific's rate department in Seattle as asst. general freight agent in 1948 and was named general freight agent in 1955. In 1961, he was promoted to western freight traffic manager in charge of rates and divisions.

H. O. Whitten, asst. general superintendent of transportation at St. Paul, retired July 1 after serving more than 39 years with the railway.

Whitten, a civil engineer graduate from the University of Maine, began his career with the NP as a rodman in 1926. He held various positions until his last promotion at St. Paul.

N. V. Kolpin, eastern car service agent in Chicago, has been promoted to asst. to general supt. of transportation with headquarters in St. Paul, effective July 1.

Kolpin, a graduate of Iowa State College, began his NP service as an operator's apprentice in St. Paul in 1957. He was promoted to transportation assistant in 1959 and to eastern car service agent in 1963.

A. A. Richter has been named shop superintendent at South Tacoma succeeding R. H. Spellmeyer who retired July 1 after more than 43 years of NP service.

Richter, a University of Minnesota electrical engineering graduate, joined the NP in 1947 as asst. detector



ST. PAULITE RETIRES - John J. Castagne, right, manager-miscellaneous accounting in St. Paul, receives retirement watch from E. L. Ordell, NP comptroller, at recent party. Castagne served the Northern Pacific for more than 47 years.



MINNESOTA RETIREMENT - LeRoy C. Piette agent-telegrapher at Moose Lake, Minn. compiled a perfect no-injury safety record in his 52 years of service with the Northern Pacific. Piette began his railway career at Carlton, Minn. in 1914.

car operator. Since 1955, he has been asst. supt. at NP's Como Shops in St. Paul.

Spellmeyer, a graduate of the University of Illinois with an electrical engineering degree, began his NP service at the Brainerd Shops in 1922. He served as asst. car machine shop foreman at Brainerd, asst. supt. and diesel supervisor at Auburn, Wash., and since 1954 as shop supt. at NP's South Tacoma Shops.

In other company promotions, E. N. Peterson has been appointed manager-miscellaneous accounting at St. Paul succeeding J. J. Castagne who retired June 1 after serving the railway for over 47 years.

D. E. Koski, former assistant general accountant, was named to Peterson's post as asst. to the comptroller.

R. J. Ford, chief time keeper-district accountant's office, succeeds David Ramsay as chief clerk in St. Paul. Ramsay retired recently with 46 years service with the NP.





**MONEY TREE** - Asst. supt. L. L. Wallschlaeger surprises R. F. Dewing, Rocky Mountain division signal supervisor, right, with a chrome-plated mink trap filled with currency during recent retirement presentation. Dewing, who trapped mink as a hobby, served the NP for nearly 50 years.

## Safety Score Board

January 1 thru May 31, 1966

RANK	REPORTABLE INJURIES		CAS. RATIO	
	1966	1965	1966	1965
<b>STANDING BY DISTRICTS</b>				
1. Western District	58	64	12.65	14.40
2. Eastern District	69	64	16.01	14.89
<b>STANDING BY DIVISIONS</b>				
1. Rocky Mountain	7	10	6.28	9.08
2. Yellowstone	10	15	7.36	11.32
3. Idaho	14	12	9.93	8.78
4. Lake Superior	9	12	12.44	16.01
5. Fargo	11	10	14.21	13.14
6. Tacoma	37	42	17.98	21.25
7. St. Paul	39	27	26.81	18.45
<b>STANDING BY CLASS OF EMPLOYEES</b>				
1. B & B Department	2	1	4.81	2.47
2. Shopmen	4	5	5.76	7.15
3. Stationmen	16	6	7.32	2.63
4. Enginemen	8	7	8.38	7.01
5. Trackmen	15	15	8.40	9.32
6. Carmen	12	9	11.81	8.97
7. Trainmen	29	33	28.21	34.30
8. Yardmen	41	52	50.50	65.47
<b>STANDING BY MAIN SHOPS</b>				
1. Como	1	1	4.79	4.74
2. Livingston	1	1	5.04	5.09
3. South Tacoma	2	2	9.02	9.36
4. Brainerd	3	0	10.73	0.00
<b>MISCELLANEOUS DEPARTMENTS</b>				
1. Chief Special Agent	0	1	0.00	11.15
2. Electrical Engineering	0	1	0.00	26.67
3. General Office & Misl.	4	3	2.84	2.08
4. Signal	1	1	4.95	4.86
5. Dining Car	2	1	9.48	4.32
6. Store	4	6	11.44	16.98
7. Communications	2	1	11.47	5.54
8. King Street Station	5	----	20.00	-----
9. Engineering	12	5	65.14	27.71
<b>TOTAL FOR SYSTEM</b>	<b>164</b>	<b>153</b>	<b>12.91</b>	<b>12.09</b>

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## Retirements



John P. Brum	Coach Cleaner	Billings	23
Alfred L. Cummings	Shop Equipment Foreman Communications Department	St. Paul	26
Henry G. Fox	Machine Shop and Assistant Car Foreman	Brainerd	31
Theodore Grabner	Section Laborer	Wadena	22
Francis H. Hewett	Clerk	So. Tacoma	46
Agnes K. Hutchinson	Steno-Typist	Tacoma	23
Arthur E. Jodsaas	Section Laborer	Oakes	27
Archie E. Partlow	Machinist Helper	Brainerd	43
Robert W. Quimby	First Class Carpenter	Duluth	21
George J. Stone	Section Laborer	Bellingham	26
Fred Thaunt	Section Foreman	Sprague	27
Charles J. Thomas	Passenger Carman	St. Paul	38
Frank Vukelich	Crossing Watchman	Duluth	29
George A. Walczak	Section Laborer	Duluth	23
Richard M. Ward	Car Inspector	Minneapolis	24
Augustus G. Williams	Car Inspector	Missoula	22
Misato Yorizane	Section Laborer	Avon	22



**48-YEAR SERVICE ENDS** - C. H. McCarty, Duluth conductor, poses by passenger coach at end of his last run at Duluth. McCarty joined the NP as a switchman in 1918, and has been a conductor since 1942.



# NP Sponsored Company among Top Four in Yearly JA Sales



COMPANY OF THE MONTH AWARD - Members of Norja, NP sponsored JA company, display silver cups after presentation of award last January. Company officers, front row, from left are: personnel director L. Lundquist; treasurer M. Jared; president R. Stevens, Jr.; secretary M. Melcoch; vice president-manufacturing and junior executive award winner R. Hinze, and vice president-sales C. Foss. NP advisors are R. W. Davis, second row, left; M. Adamson, back row, left, and J. Cotroneo, back row, third right.

Norja, Northern Pacific sponsored Junior Achievement company, ended its 1965-1966 operation in May by establishing the fourth highest sales revenue of 54 companies in the St. Paul JA organization.

Total yearly sales of 1264 first aid kits, Norja's sale product, resulted in gross revenue of \$1,452.25. After expenses, stockholders received 15 cents return over their original investment of \$1.

Organized last October, the company voted to capitalize for \$117 by selling stocks at \$1 per share. Each of the 25 original members were limited to one share of stock. Membership consisted of boys and girls in St. Paul and suburban high schools.

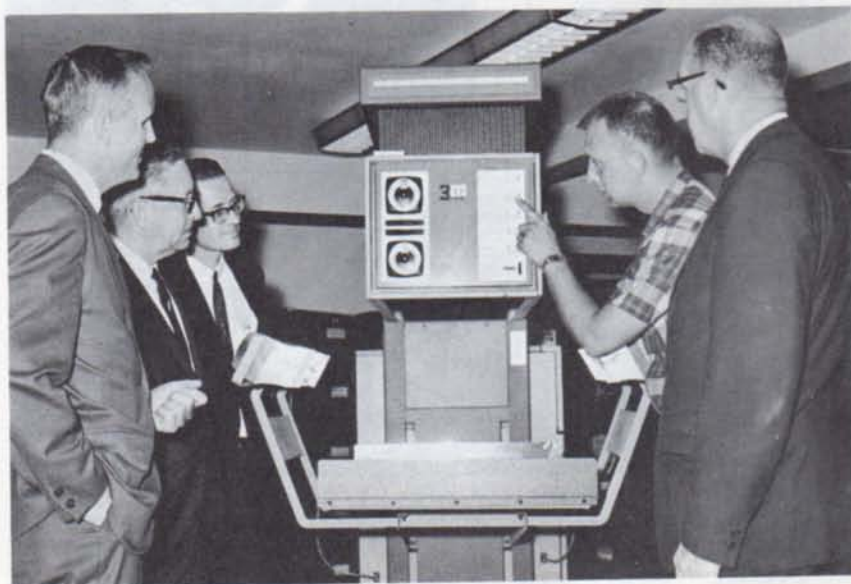
On November 26, 1965, Norja received its official charter from its parent-sponsor, the NP Railway, at ceremonies at the general office building. F. S. Farrell, general solicitor, represented the railway at the

presentation.

Weekly meetings were held throughout Norja's eight month operation at the JA headquarters in St. Paul where the first aid kits were assembled and distributed by company members. Kits cost 99 cents to manufacture and sold at \$1.25 each with commissions paid on every sale.

Special awards won by the company during the year were Company of the Month Award in January; second place for booth display and third place for production line set-up at the annual JA Center's Open House.

Incorporated and operated on a private business basis, Norja was assisted by three Northern Pacific advisors. Mike Adamson, former freight traffic employe, was management advisor; Ray Davis, engineering dept., advised production, and John Cotroneo, freight revenue accounting, was sales supervisor.



FIRST OF ITS KIND to be placed in a print shop anywhere in the country, this new 3M Camera Processor, left, is being inspected by 3M company representatives and NP officials in the print shop in the St. Paul offices of Northern Pacific. The unit is designed to produce lithographic plates directly from copy, eliminating the need for an intermediate negative film. From left to right are: 3M project supervisor T. Eikvar; 3M laboratory technical director M. L. Gebhard; NP buyer J. F. Woodburn; R. P. Nielsen, print shop employe pointing to a control panel, and E. J. Kane, 3M printing products division vice president.