

Vets To Install Officers

Paterson, N. J., Dec. 1, 1941
To All Erie Veterans:

President B. J. Markwell will soon turn over to me the presidential duties and I am mindful of the responsibility which rests upon me and all system and chapter officers to do their best in promoting the social and fraternal activities of the veterans in 1942. We all know that "B. J." has done a fine job and it will be difficult to do a better one, but I find pleasure in assuring you that I have already prepared a list of constructive suggestions which will be presented to the Executive Board when it meets at Hotel Edison, New York, in connection with our annual installation of system officers.

I am also pleased to note that many system and chapter officers, and both active and retired veterans have made reservations at

Hotel Edison. Tickets for the dinner and entertainment have also been secured from Veteran Walter

MERRY CHRISTMAS

*A Merry Christmas to
Every Erie Veteran and His
Family.*
B. J. Markwell, President

Bieszard, chairman of the ticket committee.

Officers of the Erie Railroad and many other invited guests of honor will be with us on this happy occasion, and a complete program will be ready soon for publication in the January issue of the Magazine.

The Committee of Jersey City chapter which has charge of the arrangements has planned an elaborate program and many surprises are in store for our veteran mem-

bers, their ladies and friends of the Erie Railroad Veterans Association.

So make your reservation if you have not already done so. Then the feast will be ready for you on Jan. 17 and there will be no delay in getting a place to sleep.

Just now, nothing gives me more pleasure than to wish all of you a Merry Christmas.

Fraternally,
Frank P. Belling
First Vice President

Jersey City Chapter

By J. R. Woodward

O. A. Frauson, superintendent of lighterage, told of his early railroad experiences and spoke appreciatively of the election of President Robert E. Woodruff before 250 veterans and ladies at their October meeting. Veteran Herman



J. J. Heavey was toastmaster at Huntington chapter's annual dinner and entertainment in the Masonic Temple, Nov. 1. Those who traveled the greatest distance to be present were Mr. and Mrs. Tom Gogerty of Bellaire, Mich.

Linsky, chairman of the membership committee reported the following new members: Timothy W. McCarthy, T. J. Simerson, Michael O'Grady, S. W. Shinebarger, Cyrus McCarter, John J. McGill, J. P. Casey, Stephen Perricane, Max Schreiber and Francis E. Cablin, making a total of 81 new members this year.

Veteran Harry Blauvelt, chairman of the house committee, had charge of the luncheon and refreshments, after which a program of comedy, story telling and singing was enjoyed.

The following were prize winners of a recent contest: Ted Hughes, first; J. H. Graf, second; F. Thorp, third; D. Henion, fourth and B. Mayo, fifth.

Chairman F. X. Foran has asked that all reservations for the dinner at the installation at Hotel Edison, Jan. 17 be made as soon as possible. Additional supply of tickets can be secured from Walter Bieszard, chairman of the ticket committee. All requests for reservations must be made not later than Jan. 10.

Our December meeting will be called by special bulletin, due to our regular meeting night falling on Dec. 25. Please watch for it and arrange to attend.

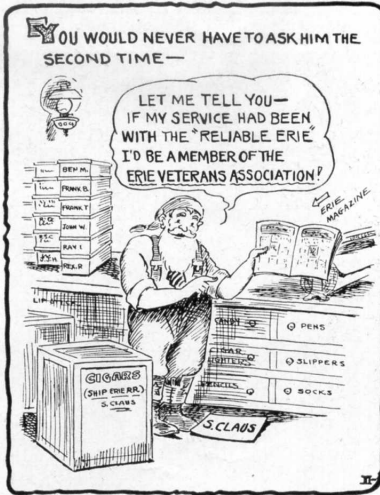
General Office Chapter

A. C. Roscelli

The chapter meeting will be held in the Euclid ballroom of Hotel

President Ben J. Markwell congratulating Veteran C. F. Shauk of Galion, (left) and Prosper D. Gregg, of Marion, following the presentation of 50-year buttons at the annual dinner of the Marion chapter, Oct. 17. Both are retired engineers. (Below) At the Marion chapter's annual dinner at which the veteran engineers received their 50-year buttons

Statler, Dec. 3. Election of officers for the coming year will take place. All members are urged to attend.



The entertainment committee has arranged for the showing of the Technicolor movie "A Song of the City" in addition to our regular entertainment program, thus assur-

ing all who attend an enjoyable evening.

Our annual turkey drawing was a success, and the turkeys have been "gobbled up" by the winners.

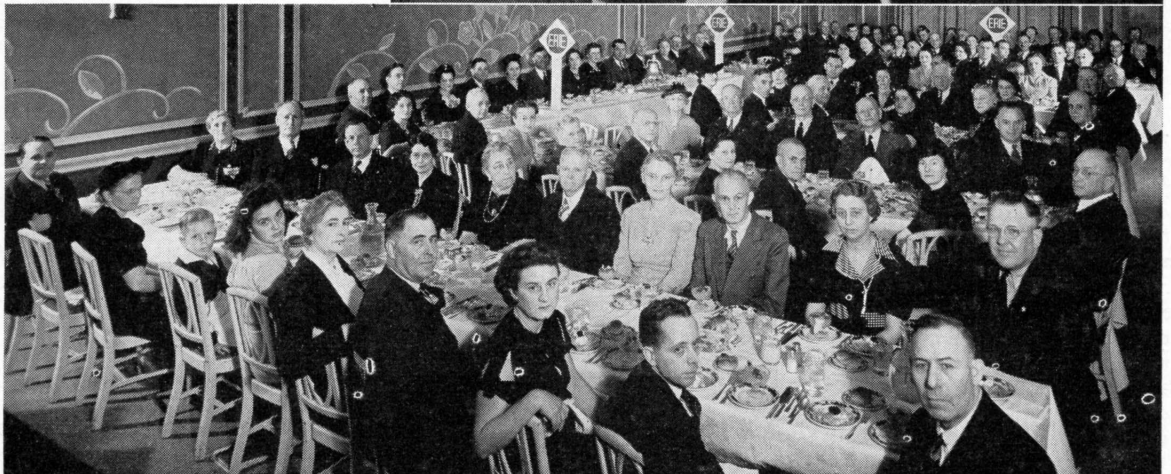
We are happy to learn of the return to active duty of Veteran Walter McConnon who had been ill for several weeks.

Veteran Frank J. Tynan, former chief fuel accountant and now retired, paid a visit to his friends in the General Office. The Florida climate must agree with him as Veteran Frank looks in the "pink."

Congratulations to Veteran Thomas J. Enright on his appointment to traveling auditor. We wish him success.

Veteran George W. Thompson returned from a visit to his brother-in-law, Jack Barry, furloughed to Uncle Sam's forces at Fort Sam Houston, San Antonio, Texas. He is now affectionately known as "Panhandle George." We have it confidentially that he was so impressed by Texas that he brought back with him a pair of spurs and

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a ten-gallon hat which he dons each evening and struts through the house singing the "Cowboy's Lament." Watch those spurs, George. They are very bad on furniture.

Marion Chapter

By G. M. Byers

President B. J. Markwell presented 50-year veterans buttons to Veterans Prosper D. Gregg, Marion, and Clinton Shauk, Galion, at the annual dinner of Marion Chapter, Hotel Harding, on Oct. 17. Veterans who were entitled to this honor but were unable to be present were G. E. Shoemaker and J. C. Mason, Marion, John Burns, Ashland and C. C. Church, Wadsworth. All are retired except Veteran Mason who is a freight conductor on the Kent division. Veterans Gregg and Shauk expressed their appreciation for the 50-year veterans buttons and related some of their early railroad experiences. Short talks were also made by President B. J. Markwell, J. J. Heavey, past president, of Huntington and H. A. Daake, supervisor of safety, Cleveland.

Local guests were H. V. Bordwell, superintendent and Mrs. Bordwell, F. J. Mulligan, trainmaster, and Mrs. Mulligan, J. J. O'Connor, general yardmaster and Mrs. O'Connor.

After the dinner there were four dance numbers by pupils of Miss Jayne Melby, whistling numbers by Jackie Campbell, and readings by Miss Ruth Wise.

The bridge prizes went to Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Murtaugh and the euchre awards were won by Miss Lucille Conarty and C. J. Doyle.

Toastmaster was F. A. Roberts, chief of the engineer corps. Veteran Leo A. Keller, chairman of Marion Chapter, had charge of the arrangements.

Hornell Chapter

By Stacey Jackson

Election of our chapter officers for 1942 occurred at our meeting Nov. 5 and resulted as follows: A. J. Bernard, chairman; Carl G. Farnham, vice chairman; D. M. Ryan, secretary; trustees, F. T. Wallm, D. A. Shea and Carl G. Farnham.