

# Chesaparagraphs August 7

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## SAFETY---AND THE CHILDREN

From time to time we are reminded of the great interest of our railroad in safety---toward the general public, toward our own workers

and particularly toward the children.

We have just forwarded to the Managing Director of the Baltimore Safety Council, Earl W. Smith, a single page presentation of our safety film "TRAINS, TRACKS AND SAFETY FACTS" for inclusion in a kit designed for the teachers in our schools in Baltimore. It points out the availability of the film, and a uniformed policeman to explain it and answer questions, and we hope to spur additional interest so that it can be shown again and again to classes of school children.

In addition, Mr. Smith has requested material for a brochure concerning safety for children in our electrified territory. This will be arranged by preparing an article from a research undertaken by Dave Bradbury, Power Director, back in 1935 when the system was electrified. Mr. Bradbury had the foresight to retain a copy of it,

and send it to us for such a possible use.

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# ---RAILROAD BASEBALL NIGHT TOMORROW---

If you have bought your tickets, get some for a friend. If you haven't bought them, it isn't too late. If you like to enjoy a ball game with your colleagues,

don't wait.

No ifs, or buts, come on along with us and have fun. With Cleveland battling the White Sox for the lead, and the Orioles clinging to a place in the first division, the contest with the Indians should be a real crowd pleaser. And we will have the crowd. Pregame contests include home run hitting for distance, catchers' throw and fungo batting for accuracy, and awards will be given the winners, as well as to the player chosen most popular among railroaders and lost valuable in the game.

Regional Manager J. D. Morris will be an honored guest and will throw out the first ball. The rumor that he will do it with a lacrosse stick (he played the Indian game at the University of Mary-

land) is unfounded. He has a pretty good wing.
Bill Reynolds, captain of police of the Baltimore and Ohio, will make the presentations and Broadcaster Ernie Harwell will be

master of ceremonies.

Bill, who is secretary of the Railroad Community Committee, accepted the assignment when the new duty of Jim Colliflower, who became passenger manager at Harrisburg last week, prevented his attendance. Walter O'Brien, who succeeded him in the general chairmanship of Railroad Baseball Night, also is out of town on a business trip with a passenger party.

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Remember, the pregame festivities start at 7:30 P.M., and you won't want to miss any of it. And we promise the people who live near—the stadium there will be no fireworks, except maybe the Orioles base hits.

Pitching assignments are not yet known but your newspapers and broadcasters will inform you about that.

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#### Scholarships

Two railroaders of the Chesapeake Region are wearing proud smiles these days because of the accomplishments of their children.
Lydia A. Eastburn, daughter of Oliver W. Eastburn, 3rd, engineman, of Landenberg, Pa., and William P. Broderick, Jr.; son of Wm. P. Broderick, Sr., track foreman, of Wilmington, Delaware, have Women's Aid Scholarships.

Miss Eastburn will devote her award to a premed course at Juniata College, with an ultimate ambition to become a surgeon. Bill Broderick plans to enter Villanova University and become an electrical engineer. Both are from Pennsylvania Railroad families of several generations.

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#### Bouquets

Ernest D. Copson, of Claymont, wrote to Howard J. Braun, District Passenger Manager at Wilmington, as follows:

morning and the first thing we noticed how clean the steps were and the underpass. On coming to the platform this had been cleaned from one end to the other, then into the waiting room. This too, had been cleaned and dusted, and outside the walk had been swept and the grass cut and raked clean. Coming back into the waiting room, I saw a man wheeling some boxes and I said to him how nice everything looked this morning except one thing and that was the hedge had grown so tall we were not able to see the river, and he said the men working on the line always cut that before but had not got around to it yet. So perhaps you have a friend who can help to get this done. I know how all will feel who look out of the waiting room window, or outside, to see the beautiful Delaware River again. We do hope what has been done will be an incentive to all who ride the train to keep the station clean as it is now...."

Two days later the hedge was cut - mission accomplished!

And in our own department, for a change. The Chesapeake Log, in which the Associated Press staff at Baltimore headquarters exchanges news and notes about news coverage with the press of Maryland, said this:

"Jason Pate of WASA, Havre de Grace, made a special trip to the police station for us July 7 to get the story on a man struck and killed by the West Coast Champion. Other details came from the Pennsylvania Railroad's helpful publicist, P. L. (Mac) McClain."

For the compliment we will even forgive the misspelled name. (It happens to us sometimes, too, fellows) Thanks anyway.

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#### Welcome

Fred Schwendimann, successor to Jimmy Colliflower as passenger representative, comes to us from the New York Region. He is a native of Brooklyn, married, has a little girl and likes Baltimore already. After schooling that included study at Penn State and Queens College, and a tour of duty in the service, he joined the Pennsylvania as a clerk in New York in 1946. Promotions to assistant chief clerk and statistician in passenger train service followed. ed to the Chesapeake Region. Welcome aboard Fred. Then he advanc-

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#### Goodbye

The Passenger Department honored Jimmy Colliflower with a small party at which they served refreshments and presented him with a brown leather cowhide briefcase. Mr. H. G. Herbert, Passenger Represenative, made the presentation on behalf of the entire department. As an added gift, a Schaeffer pen and pencil set were inside the case. Also, the fellows took him over to Dickmans for lunch.

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## Our Delmar Show

More and more <u>Stu Lord</u> is making the Centennial at Delmar later this month a real Pennsylvania show. He not only has arranged for exhibitors to display their products in railroad cars but has prevailed upon Geo. Nixon, the famous model builder in Baltimore, to show some miniature trains. Mr. Nixon specializes in PRR equipment and is putting together a model of the "Cavalier" and another model of a much earlier Delmarva Peninsula train.

Publicity for the event, which has already been excellent, thanks largely to Mr. Lord's efforts, was given a big boost at a meet-

ing last night in Delmar.

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