

THE PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD SYSTEM



INFORMATION



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PITTSBURGH, PA.

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The Railroad Roll of Honor

“I have considered the pension list of the Republic as a roll of honor,”—

President Grover Cleveland in a special message to Congress, July 5, 1888.

The following employes of the Companies in the Pennsylvania Railroad System were retired as of February 1, 1914, and placed on the “Roll of Honor.” This list represents the usual monthly addition to a roll which now totals 4047 persons :

LINES EAST OF PITTSBURGH

Name	Occupation	Division	Length of Service	
			Years	Months
GEORGE W. GOSDEN	AGENT	MARYLAND	53	3
North East, Md.				
JAMES G. WEST	ENGINEMAN	TRENTON	49	8
Vincetown, N. J.				
JAMES W. FRENCH	ENGINEMAN	MARYLAND	49	4
217 S. 47th Street, Philadelphia, Pa.				
JOHN BRUSHMILLER	MACHINIST	BALTIMORE	48	8
2806 Huntingdon Avenue, Baltimore, Md.				
MOREHEAD S. MONTGOMERY	ENGINEMAN	NEW YORK	48	6
140 Alexander Street, Princeton, N. J.				
JOHN E. CLAYBAUGH	WATCHMAN	ALTOONA CAR SHOP	47	10
106 Kettle Street, Altoona, Pa.				
WILLIAM J. MACPHERSON	CHIEF WAYBILL CLERK	PHILADELPHIA TERMINAL	47	8
909 S. 13th Street, Philadelphia, Pa.				
JOHN J. QUINN	SWITCHMAN	PHILADELPHIA TERMINAL	46	5
1932 Tasker Street, Philadelphia, Pa.				
STACY T. HAMMELL	YARD SWITCHMAN	CAMDEN TERMINAL	45	8
415 Clinton Street, Camden, N. J.				
HENRY W. DUNN	ASST. SUPERINTENDENT	TRENTON (D. & R. CANAL)	45	4
806 Windsor Square, Philadelphia, Pa.				
THOMAS FITZGERALD	LABORER	PITTSBURGH	42	9
4449 Morewood Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pa.				
PAUL WOLFERSBERGER	CLERK	GENERAL OFFICE	42	5
663 N. 15th Street, Philadelphia, Pa.				
ANDREW J. DOWNS	ENGINEMAN	TRENTON	42	5
Pemberton, N. J.				
HUGH MICKLE	SCALEMAN	PHILADELPHIA TERMINAL	42	2
2316 S. Mole Street, Philadelphia, Pa.				
JOHN H. ARNOLD	BAGGAGE MASTER	MIDDLE	42	2
21 N. 5th Street, Harrisburg, Pa.				
WILLIAM WEIL	TRACK FOREMAN	TRENTON	42	1
Florence, N. J.				
JACOB NEFF	ENGINEMAN	PHILADELPHIA	41	8
Philadelphia, Pa.				
ALEXANDER BERRIEN	FREIGHT CONDUCTOR	NEW YORK	41	5
23 Walnut Avenue, Trenton, N. J.				
CHARLES R. LILLY	WATCHMAN	PHILADELPHIA	41	
Marysville, Pa.				
JOSEPH PLUNKETT	MACHINIST	PHILADELPHIA TERMINAL	40	11
3735 Wallace Street, Philadelphia, Pa.				
JOHN C. PEACOCK	GENERAL FOREMAN	MARYLAND	40	11
509 Market Street, Wilmington, Del.				

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RICHARD H. RIDGWAY 19 W. Chestnut Avenue, Merchantville, N. J.	CLERK	PHILADELPHIA TERMINAL	37		7
FRANK H. TAYLOR Oakland and Stuyvesant Avenues, Trenton, N. J.	TICKET RECEIVER	GENERAL OFFICE	37		6
JAMES HUFF 33 Rector Street, Newark, N. J.	WATCHMAN	TRENTON	37		3
DANIEL ISARD 448 Benson Street, Camden, N. J.	ENGINEMAN	WEST JERSEY & SEASHORE	36		4
JERRY O'KEEFE 211 Second Street, Jersey City, N. J.	LABORER	MANHATTAN	36		
JOHN H. DRAKE 123 Perry Street, Trenton, N. J.	YARD CONDUCTOR	TRENTON	34		9
SYLVESTER CHRISTIANA Vineland, N. J.	CROSSING WATCHMAN	WEST JERSEY & SEASHORE	31		9
HENRY S. GRANGER Royaltown, Pa.	LABORER	PHILADELPHIA	31		9
GEORGE WOOLEVER Fourth Street, Belvidere, N. J.	TRACK WATCHMAN	TRENTON	31		8
ADAM STADLER 2206 Fifth Avenue, Altoona, Pa.	BLACKSMITH	ALTOONA MACHINE SHOP	31		8
JOHN J. BLAUVELT 318 Varick Street, Jersey City, N. J.	TICKET COLLECTOR	MANHATTAN	31		6
JOSEPH L. BOTTOMSTONE 225 Spruce Street, Sunbury, Pa.	YARD BRAKEMAN	WILLIAMSPORT	31		4
PATRICK BRODERICK 627 Shank Street, Philadelphia, Pa.	WAREHOUSEMAN	PHILADELPHIA TERMINAL	31		1
MICHAEL O'HARA 132 Morris Street, Jersey City, N. J.	LABORER	MANHATTAN	30		11
CHARLES E. SHORB Herron and Poplar Streets, Verona, Pa.	CARPENTER	CONEMAUGH	28		10
HENRY BEHRENS 931 Louis Avenue, Camden, N. J.	CAR REPAIRMAN	CAMDEN TERMINAL	26		2
GEORGE A. COMMERS 313 Locust Street Conemaugh, Pa.	TOOLROOM ATTENDANT	PITTSBURGH	24		6
THOMAS FLYNN 207 Ninth Street, Jersey City, N. J.	TUG FIREMAN	MANHATTAN	21		10
DAVID S. LOUDER Mifflintown, Pa.	LABORER	MIDDLE	16		9

LINES WEST OF PITTSBURGH

Name	Occupation	Division	Years	Length of Service	
				Months	
L. A. GRASHABER 215 Fifth Avenue, Carnegie, Pa.	CONDUCTOR	PITTSBURGH	43		4
WILHELMINA A. ALBRECHT 1240 Stranemore Street, Pittsburgh, Pa.	CAR PREPARER	EASTERN	43		
HIRAM ALAMAN Terre Haute, Ind.	BOILER MAKER FOREMAN	ST. LOUIS	42		11
MICHAEL HUBER 170 E. Beck Street, Columbus, Ohio.	CAR BUILDER	INDIANAPOLIS	42		2
WILLIAM SMITH 712 W. Second Street, Madison, Ind.	TALLYMAN	LOUISVILLE	37		6
JAMES M. MARTIN 400 Michigan Avenue, Logansport, Ind.	CARPENTER FOREMAN	MICHIGAN	31		
EDWARD RYAN R. F. D. No. 4, Jefferson, Ohio.	LAMPMAN	ERIE & ASHTABULA	30		
ADOLPH MULLER 5756 Princeton Avenue, Chicago, Ill.	CAR BUILDER	CHICAGO TERMINAL	16		8

Facts About the "Roll of Honor"

Amount paid since Retirement plan was established on January 1, 1900	Lines East of Pittsburgh	Lines West of Pittsburgh	Pennsylvania Railroad System
Total number of employes placed on Roll of Honor to February 1, 1914	5937	1911	7848
Roll of Honor employes who have died	2898	903	3801
Total number of employes on Roll of Honor February 1, 1914	3039	1008	4047

He Served the Pennsylvania Railroad More than Fifty-three Years



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George W. Cosden, for forty years Agent at North East, Md., was among those retired on February 1, 1914.

Mr. Cosden was born at Elkton, Md., January 19, 1844. He was educated at the Elkton Academy. On November 1, 1860, he was employed by the old Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore Railroad as Telegraph Operator. In this capacity he was detailed for service at different points on the Susquehanna River, so he had opportunity to see much of the movement of troops during the Civil War. He was appointed Extra Agent and Operator, October 1, 1863, and on November 1, 1873, he was made Agent at North East, Md. Mr. Cosden was for two terms Representative from the North East District in the General Assembly of the State of Maryland.

Notes About Retired Employes

HIRAM ALAMAN

Hiram Alaman, who retired from active service as Foreman of the Boiler Shop at Terre Haute, Ind., Vandalia Railroad Company, January 31, 1914, was born January 9, 1844, in Dauphin County, Pa.

After receiving his honorable discharge from the Service of the United States Army, November 28, 1864, Mr. Alaman was employed by the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railway at Scranton, Pa. He left the service of that Company in April, 1867, and in the same month entered the employ of the Pittsburgh, Cincinnati and St. Louis Railway Company—now the Pittsburgh, Cincinnati, Chicago and St. Louis Railway Company—at Dennison, Ohio. In June,

1881, Mr. Alaman was sent to Pittsburgh as Inspector of the new iron bridge the Pennsylvania Company built over the Monongahela River when the old wooden bridge was torn down.

In July, 1881, he was made Foreman Boiler Maker at Lorain, Ohio, on the Cleveland, Lorain and Wheeling Railway. From 1883 to 1885 he was Foreman Boiler Maker on the New York and New England Railway at Norwich, Conn.

In June, 1885, Mr. Alaman re-entered the service of the Pittsburgh, Cincinnati and St. Louis Railway Company at Dennison, as Foreman of the Boiler Shop. He remained in this position until December, 1890, at which time he was sent to the new Juniata

Boiler Shop at Altoona, Pa., as Foreman. In October, 1891, he again returned to the Dennison Shop. On March 1, 1897, Mr. Alaman was transferred to the T. H. & I. R. R., now the Vandalia Railroad, Terre Haute, Ind., as Foreman of Boiler Shop, where he remained until his retirement. His service with the Pennsylvania Lines covered a period of forty-three years.

Mr. Alaman had an enviable record as a soldier, having served three years in Company H, 76th Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry. He enlisted at Harrisburg, Pa., October 11, 1861, for three years, serving the entire period, and was honorably discharged at Harrisburg, November 28, 1864, by reason of the expiration of his term of enlistment. He was off duty but five days during his term of enlistment. The 76th Regiment took part in twenty-one engagements. It left Harrisburg for the front November 18, 1861, with 813 officers and enlisted men; 472 were killed, wounded, or died, leaving 341 survivors of the original number.

FRANK H. TAYLOR

Frank H. Taylor for a third of a century was Ticket Receiver at Trenton. He retired from active service February 1, 1914. A few months before, at a meeting of the Ticket Receivers of the Pennsylvania Railroad, Mr. A. J. Gillingham, Auditor of Passenger Traffic, paid this tribute to him:

"You are doubtless all aware that in the near future Frank H. Taylor, Ticket Receiver at Trenton, will retire from active service and take his place on the pension list, well called 'The Railroad Roll of Honor.' In his long connection with the Company, extending over 37 years, during

33 years of which he has ably and nobly filled the important position of Ticket Receiver, Mr. Taylor has won the affection of his comrades in the service by his uniform affability and spirit of good fellowship and fairness, and has always retained the high respect and esteem of his superiors by his ability and integrity in the performance of his very important duties. This is probably the last of our general conventions at which he will be present as Ticket Receiver, and I am sure you all feel the same regret as myself that we will in future be deprived of his genial company and able assistance in the consideration of the questions coming before us, and will join with me in extending to him our felicitations on having so honorably completed his long term of service and in wishing him all possible happiness in his well-earned retirement."

JAMES B. DOWLIN

James B. Dowlin, of 556 Noble Street, Norristown, Pa., for many years Bridge Inspector on the Schuylkill Division of the Pennsylvania Railroad, and who was placed on the Company's Honor Roll on January 1st, was, according to the Norristown Times, "given a pleasant surprise recently, when a number of his former co-workers presented him with a handsome Morris chair.

"John E. Shoffner, foreman, in presenting the chair, expressed the hope that the veteran would have many more years to enjoy the comforts of the gift and the companionship of the donors.

"Mr. Dowlin was visibly affected by the kindness of his old friends, but rallied from the surprise and expressed his cordial thanks in accepting both the gift and the kind wishes accompanying it."

Twenty-five of the employes of the Pennsylvania System—among them one woman—placed on the Roll of Honor February 1st, had served the Company forty years or more.