

RECLAMATION PLANT VIEWS

**Western Tour**

Mrs. N. Balford, wife of Section Foreman Belford of Clinton, Okla., has just returned from a trip to Los Angeles and other Western points. Mrs. Belford was accompanied by her little son and daughter, Robert, aged nine, and Audrey, aged five, whose photographs are here-with reproduced.

In a letter to Mrs. E. G. Newland Mrs. Belford gives a very interesting account of her trip.



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A Deficient Pupil

Into the police court of Mobile there had been haled for the fourth time a negro boy, charged with chicken-stealing. The magistrate determined to appeal to the boy's father "See here," said his honor to the parent, "this boy of yours has been up in court so many times for stealing chickens that I am tired of seeing him here." "I doesn't blame yo', jedge," said the father, "an' I's tired of seein' him here." "Then, why don't you teach him how to act? Show him the right way, and he won't be coming here." "I has showed him de right way, jedge," said the old man, very earnestly. "I has cert'n'y showed him de right way, but somehow dat wuthless nigger keeps gittin' caught comin' away wif de chickens."—Argonaut.

DON'T be a grouch! Make friends of your fellow employes! Lend a hand! A smile draws good interest in the bank of friendship.

A word of advice to a new man, a little act of kindness to someone who needs it, a pleasant word or two to a subordinate, cheerful obedience to the orders of your superior officer—they'll tell in the long run.

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ALONG THE LINE

Springfield North Side Round House

Master Mechanic A. S. Abbott of the Eastern Division, together with his family left Springfield, August 17, for a visit with home folks at Waterloo, Iowa. Mr. Abbott returned August 29, with a good coat of Iowa sunburn. He reports a good time.

J. L. Smith, chief clerk in office of General Foreman Burke, who has been away on a vacation, has again returned to duties. While away, Mr. Smith attended the annual Convention of the Loyal Order of Moose, at Milwaukee, Wis., as a delegate from the Springfield lodge. Mrs. Smith accompanied Mr. Smith on the trip and both report a good time generally.

Fort Scott

Switchman Watson Cooper and family are visiting relatives in New York.

Switchman DeJean is visiting in Iowa; while Switchman Stiles, accompanied by his wife, is spending his vacation in California.

Conductor A. D. West and wife have just returned from a trip to Canada. Mrs. West had the misfortune of being in an auto accident while away and is suffering of slight injuries.

Fireman E. J. Dunham has returned to work after a few weeks' visit in Southwest Missouri.

Shop Foreman Hugo Ferguson has just returned from a trip to Colorado.

Switchman "Breeze" Taylor is the proudest man in the Fort Scott yards the cause, a big baby boy.

The round house force at Fort Scott takes great pride in its flower garden, which is considered one of the beauty spots of the city.

Switch Engineer Beckford has returned to work after an illness extending over a period of five weeks.

Switch Engineer W. F. Runyan is "batching" at the present time while his family are sojourning in the country.

Storeroom Keeper "Kelley" has returned from Butler, Mo., after a brief visit.

Engineer John Gilpin looks as if he had lost his dearest friend—but after a careful study we note he has only shaved off his moustache.

Fireman Jack Conrad, of the Buckley Run, is visiting in the city.

Engineer "Yonk" Daniels has returned to work after several weeks absence because of illness.

William Hopkins, formerly employed on the Old Memphis, was instantly killed by

lightning, just east of town, August 11. Many of his old Fort Scott friends attended his funeral.

Brakenham McClure and family are spending the summer with friends in Colorado and New Mexico.

Switchman "Tug" Coe left September 1, for a trip through Ohio, Indiana and West Virginia.

Memphis

A. H. Stuart, stock clerk, Memphis Storeroom, who recently underwent an operation for appendicitis at St. Joseph's Hospital, was able to return to work August 31. Mr. Stuart desires to extend to his associates his sincere thanks for the kindness and courtesies shown during his recent illness.

J. H. Bagley, chief clerk to storekeeper, has returned to work after a few days visit with his parents at Trenton, Mo.

O. F. Soderstrum has returned to duty after a week's illness. Mr. Soderstrum is accountant in office of Master Mechanic Lyshat.

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