Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Woodward Huntington
request the honour of your presence
at the marriage of their daughter
Estelle Emma

to
Mr. Frederick Wayne Barnes
on Thursday evening, the twenty-seventh of June
at eight o'clock
Brick Presbyterian Church
Rochester, New York

Wedding Invitation; Estelle Emma Huntington and Frederick Wayne Barnes (June 27)
"Typical begging letter"; Envelope (1931-12-21)
Eastman, Moses; Description of autograph letter purchased from "Item Company, Bilerica Mass" May 31,
Mr. George Eastman

requests the presence of
Mr. and Mrs. Dryden

at the Formal Opening of Kilbourn Hall

with a Concert of Chamber Music by the Kilbourn Quartet

on Friday evening, the third of March

at a quarter after eight o'clock.

After the Concert guests will have an opportunity

to inspect the new building and equipment.

A prompt reply is requested in order that an
admission card and seat number may be forwarded.
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Eastman, George; Verso of envelope addressed to Maria Kilbourn Eastman (1898-11-04)
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Dryden, Ellen; "List of books I omitted to check but am now taking" (1914)
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To Security Trust Company -

MRS. GEORGE B. DRYDEN
1314 RIDGE AVENUE
EVANSTON, ILLINOIS

LIST OF BOOKS CHECKED BY MISTAKE
SO I AM NOT TAKING THEM.

#35 - Atrocities by Allen, J. E. - Little, Brown & Co.
#64 - Coswell, Percival - The Evolution of Worlds
#965 - Coswell, Percival - Marbor Slow - A Folio Society
#1445 - Knutik, Charles - 2 Vols. - Wm. Shakespeare
#1857 - Shafnlie, M. T. - Vandyck - field Brambit
#1932 - Tennyson - Poetic & Dramatic Works
#265 - [Blank]
#1771 - McBurney, Jr. S. - A Study of the Dental Problem for Hawaii

#1634 - Hoffmamm, Samuel - Poems in Praise of Practiced Nothing.

The above book is the property of W. O. O. M. R. and returning it.
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LETTER FROM GEORGE EASTMAN TO HENRY ALVAH STRONG ON HIS 75TH BIRTHDAY.
GIFT OF L. CORRIN STRONG

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DEAREST HEINRICH

I LEARNED LAST NIGHT THAT YESTERDAY WAS YOUR SEVENTY FIFTH BIRTHDAY.

THIS IS A LITTLE LATE FOR CONGRATULATIONS BUT I CANNOT LET THE OCCASION GO BYE WITHOUT TELLING YOU SOMETHING OF THE THOUGHTS THAT HAVE COME INTO MY HEAD SINCE MRS. STRONG TOLD ME.

IT IS NOW THIRTY THREE YEARS THAT WE HAVE BEEN IN BUSINESS TOGETHER AND DURING THAT TIME WE HAVE BEEN IN SOME PRETTY TRYING SITUATIONS BUT NEVER AT ANY TIME HAVE YOU ADDED TO MY TROUBLES BY EITHER INTERFERENCE OR BY EXPRESSED ANXIETY. THERE HAVE BEEN, ESPECIALLY IN THE OLD DAYS, TIMES WHEN ANYTHING OF THIS KIND WOULD HAVE BEEN THE LAST STRAW. SO I WANT YOU TO KNOW THAT I THINK YOU HAVE ALWAYS BEEN A FINE OLD SPORT AND THAT THERE IS NOBODY IN THE WORLD I WOULD RATHER HAVE HAD FOR A PARTNER.

I AM SORRY I CAN'T SEE YOU TO SAY GOODBYE BUT I HOPE TO FIND YOU IN YOUR USUAL HEALTH WHEN I RETURN AND I HOPE YOU WILL LIVE TO BE 100 -

EVER YOURS

[Signed] GEORGE E.
Conductor Hendrix is Enjoying Leisure After 57 Years on Railroad

When this story appears in print, former Conductor Frank V. Hendrix will be looking out her back yard watching the purple flowers bloom in the beds there in the hours he has made for them, at 508 Prenty Avenue, Toledo, Ohio. Nearby in his red shop where there is the finest array of tools any craftsperson could wish for, Conductor Hendrix is enjoying his leisure, after fifty-seven years with the Railroad.

Mr. Hendrix tells how, on his fourteenth birthday, he started railroad ing as a "parlor." He has always worked on the Michigan Division. In those days, "locking main-breaking," with plenty of risks and much work. On cold nights, above a swaying car, Mr. Hendrix often crawled to his post of duty, pushing a container of ashes ahead of him which he sprinkled on the boards to avoid a burning coal.

"There wasn't any time-and-a-half pay for overtime," he comments. "We got a straight $5.50 for a run, no matter how long it took. Once I was out seventy-two hours without sleep or rest."

In his twenty-one years Mr. Hendrix was a freight conductor, and a passenger conductor in 1892. For the last eight years he has had the Toledo, Chicago and Western run between Toledo and Chicago. Among the great men he has met in railroad ing have been Presidents Garfield and Wilson. And high and low, they've had to furnish a ticket when they rode on Mr. Hendrix's train.

William Porter Retire d

William Jones Porter, pump at the water station at Palmyra, N. Y., has been retired from service recently after thirty-nine years with the New York Central Lines. E. J. Hopkins, Supervisor of Buildings and Bridges, and other officers extended to Mr. Porter their best wishes for his retirement.

Mr. Porter began as a laborer at Cold Water, N. Y., in 1890. Later he was made a guard at that place and was transferred to Rochester and Palmyra.

Conductor Heath Leaves Fall Brook District

Still in the best of health and never having missed a pay day, W. H. Heath of Corning, N. Y., has been retired as Conductor on the Pennsylvania Division, Fall Brook District. Although Mr. Heath has earned a well-deserved vacation, he will by no means be idle, according to Mrs. Heath, who always has a circle of friends around the house for her husband. Mr. Heath seems perfectly willing to serve under his new superintendent.

A native of Corning, Mr. Heath entered New York Central service forty-three years ago as a brakeman. In 1894 he made a conductor on the same division with which he started and from which he retired.

He has five children, including a daughter who is married to O. C. Holiday, Supervisor of Schedules. Mr. Heath's youngest son, Harold, is a senior at the University of Michigan and a member of the football team of that school. Mr. Heath hopes that "Bad" will join the New York Central upon graduation and help to "carry on."

Surprise Party in Ashtabula for Charles Mortensen

Charles Mortensen, for twenty-one years a painter at the New York Central Steel Car Shop, Ashtabula, Ohio, was pensioned February 21.

Mr. Mortensen was honored by his fellow workers at a party held in his honor at the Steel Car Shop the evening of March 9. Twenty-five had assembled in the office, after which Mr. Mortensen was ushered in and then the grand party commenced.

Accordian, banjo and guitar music was provided and greatly enjoyed, after which O. G. Blood, General Foreman of the Ashtabula Car Shop, acting in the capacity of chairman of the affair, called on several of the employees to present speeches. Mr. Blood, in behalf of the employees, presented Mr. Mortensen with a purse of gold.

At the close of the party, Miss Ethel Johnson and Miss Laura Holtz served refreshments.

Recalls Early Freight Days in Cleveland

When George Worthington Andrus left the Railroad in 1910 as Agent at Cleveland, telephones had not yet been installed, he writes. Starting in 1885 as a clerk, Mr. Andrus worked his way up, becoming chief clerk in 1884 and agent in 1877.

I commenced railroad ing in 1866 with the Cleveland & Toledo Railroad. A friend of mine was General Freight Agent and George H. Vaillant was Freight Agent. I was a clerk in the office of Mr. Vaillant and in the course of time became chief clerk. When Mr. Vaillant was made General Freight Agent at New York for the Erie Railroad, I took his position as agent at Cleveland.

"At that time we had four freight depots in Cleveland, three for the forwarding of freight and one for freight received.

"When I left we were employing 155 clerks, twenty-one of whom were women. There were 660 truckmen and boys working there."

Mr. Andrus is shown here as he appeared in his earlier railroading days.

Patrick Hart Recommends a Job on the N.Y. Central

Patrick Hart, a veteran means any thing, many young men and women might be interested in what Patrick Hart has to say on his retirement after forty-four years with the New York Central.

"Any young man who desires to earn a decent livelihood should immediately try to connect himself with an honorable job on the New York Central Lines and try at developing himself for any of the many advantages that there are in those days for promotion, with a management of which myself and others have been proud."

Then Mr. Hart looks back to early days.

"There have been many changes on the railroad during my lifetime. I started on the Hudson Division as a wood cutter. Wood was used at that time, both for running the locomotives and heating the cars. Few are living today whom I recall working with in those early times. I remember old friends such as Thomas Brewood, Sr., Daniel Whalen, John White, also my last employer, W. J. Adams, and W. P. Davis, Master Mechanic of the Mohawk Division, who were nothing but kids filling minor jobs forty-five years ago."

Mr. Hart makes his home at 319 Orange Street, Albany.

Frank Balfrey Retires After 45 Years

Frank Balfrey, who recently retired as Crossing Watchman at Syracuse, has had opportunities to see many changes and many places during the forty-five years he has worked with the Railroad.

Mr. Balfrey began as a laborer at Cornwall in 1886. From there he was transferred to Binghamton in 1886, to Watselville in 1891, and to Syracuse in 1893. He was made a gate man at the last place in 1898. His final change came in 1921, when he was made a watchman.

Mr. Balfrey's friends and fellow workers have spoken highly of his long term of faithful service with the Railroad.

The veteran makes his home at 114 Catharine Street, Syracuse.
Big Four Choral Club Gives Concerts in Cincinnati

The Big Four Choral Club gave its third season concert at Finney Auditorium, Cincinnati, the evening of March 29. The Choral Club was assisted by the Withrow Senior Orchestra, numbering some sixty players of violins, violas, cellos, flutes, clarinets, oboes, horns, trumpets, trombone, piano, and piano accordion. Miss Ethel Tullson, violinist, gave several violin solos, accompanied by Amelia Hennock Fowler, piano. Chester Markward, basso, sang, with Miss Beulah Davis as accompanist. Misses Anna Blatter and Aurelia Blitzer, both soprano singers, had solo parts which were well received. Miss Rosalind Burdo in the accompanist for the club. The entire program was heartily enjoyed by a large audience.

A number of Big Four officials attended the concert, including Vice-President R. A. Worcestor, J. C. Wallace, General Auditor, Haldy Baldwin, Chief Engineer and others.

The Choral Club gave a concert at the Newcom, Ohio, Christian Church Sunday evening, April 1, and on April 24 gave another program at the Ad Club Night dinner at the Junior Chamber of Commerce, Cincinnati.

William Koch of the Auditor of Freight Accounts Department was the organizer of this musical group and is now chairman of the club. The Athletic Association also has some connection with the Choral Club activities and the Cincinnati employees and officials are proud of its accomplishments.

Top photo: Organizers, January, 1929, the members being recruited from office, shops and train service. It now numbers some seventy singers, and is one of the largest of its kind among industrial organizations.

Professor Joseph Burdo, supervisor of music at Withrow High School, is the conductor and it is remembered that many of the singers were unchallenged in Choral work the accomplishments under this director have been remarkable.

The Cincinnati Enquirer had the following to say about the concert of March 29:

"The Big Four Choral Club is one of the active musical organizations in Cincinnati industrial circles and this society of mixed voices has made rapid progress. The orchestra gave several selections and also played the accompaniments for the chorus. The latter manifested thorough training in the art of ensemble playing and as a supporting unit, and the former gave evidence of solid total volume, good control and even distribution of the parts."

Employees Given Encouragement In Safety by Division Engineers

Record safety performances on many of the divisions on the New York Central and its subsidiary lines have evoked words of praise which should serve as encouragement to employees on other divisions.

C. W. Engle, Division Engineer for the Big Four at Wahaba, Ind., sent a bulletin to his foremen which read:

"General Motors and the radio stockholders in New York haven't a thing on the Michigan Division Safety stockholders in Indiana and Michigan. During the first month of March, our Safety stock is now quoted at 180 per cent on account of no reportable accidents in the past month. All Michigan Division Maintenance of Way employees have received a dividend in the form of happiness and knowledge of Safety duty well done.

"Let's keep our Safety Stock at 100 per cent and receive a like dividend April 10, and all months to follow."

On the Buffalo Division, H. D. McDonald, Engineer, wrote to the superintendents, assistant superintendents, foremen and others in the Maintenance of Way Department:

"Pleasant Workmen:

"I am getting really proud of you. There is an old saying to the effect that 'Pride goes before a fall' but in this case I am confident that there will be no fall and that you are well...

Right Safety Committee members and 122 visitors attended the meeting at the Beach Grove Shops on the Big Four, March 28. Miss Anne Summers, First Aid Nurse, is shown in her white uniform. On her right is J. A. Drennan, General Master Car Builder. On her left are R. H. Allen, Asst. to General Manager D. J. Malina, Superintendant of Motive Power; Charles E. Hill, General Safety Agent; E. H. Landers, General Storekeeper; B. R. Orr, Superintendant of Car Shops; and A. W. Murrin, Superintendant of Locomotive Shops. Excellent safety work is being conducted at Beach Grove. The Motive Power Department reduced the number of personal injuries from 156 in 1924 to 84 in 1927, The Car Department, during the same period, reduced the injuries from 36 to 15, and the Stores Department, reduced from 33 to 12, which makes all told a reduction from 225 injuries in 1926 to 90 in 1927. The first quarter of this year shows a continued progress, there not being a single incident in the Car or Stores Department."