W. J. WALL IS NAMED TREASURER;
27 YEARS IN DEPARTMENT

"You're making a big mistake," the business man advised his young employee when he came in to resign to accept a job in a railroad office.

Today, that self-same man is Treasurer of the Gulf, Mobile and Ohio Railroad and through twenty-seven years, he has always believed that he made the right decision. He's W. J. Wall who was promoted from the office of Assistant Treasurer to Treasurer upon the death of G. M. White.

Mr. Wall takes the good wishes of many friends on the Railroad and in Mobile financial circles with him on his new job. A native Mobilian and the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Michael A. Wall, he has worked every position in the Treasurer's Office and believes in the rotation of jobs in his department so that every employee will be familiar with the entire procedure of the office.

The incident mentioned, happened (Continued on Page 6)

PASSNGERS' WELFARE
PARAMOUNT
ON REBELS

A regular part of the training of our Rebel Hostesses is a First Aid Course by a recognized Red Cross instructor. Chief Hostess Vera Elvert tells us that so far this year our Hostesses have administered aid in one hundred and eighty-five cases while aboard The Rebels.

These cases range from toothache and sore throat to the administration of aid to persons suffering with cuts and burns. Miss Jewel Kruse treated 39 cases; Miss Miriam Jones 31, Miss Annie Mathison 24 and Miss Frances Dale 23.

Our train personnel and Hostesses do an excellent job of taking care of passengers while in their charge. Just a routine illustration...

"An asthmatic patient boarded the train in St. Louis en route to Mobile. Upon the hostess' suggestion, approved by a company doctor who was on the train, medicine was secured for him by wire from Murphysboro. He soon got relief and was able to complete his trip without any more trouble.

Another Rebel service that finds favor with passengers is the illuminated station announcer in the front of the Luxury Coach. The Conductor or Flagman flashes the name of the next station on this board. This eliminates the necessity of the flagman disturbing passengers with a loud announcement of the next stop.
News Cameraman Catches Tupelo at No. 12 Time...

No. 12, the Gas-Electric which runs in conjunction with No. 11 between Meridian and Jackson, Tennessee on a daylight schedule, was just pulling into Tupelo when the left hand picture above was made. In the foreground, just out of range of the camera, is the Frisco crossing and the building in the left background is a Government Agricultural building.

The right hand top picture shows a down-town view of the City, called America's first TVA City. The view is looking towards the Railroad and our Freight House is at the bottom of the hill.

Trainmaster Spencer was on No. 12 that day checking schedules and we snapped him as he made a last-minute entry. Down at the Station, also, was Agent Palsgrove and Superintendent Forelines. Incidentally Superintendent Forelines is in the picture above, too; you can tell him by the necktie.

TWO SERVICE MEN BACK FOR SHORT VISIT

General Office employees were glad to welcome home two boys on leave from the services this month. Chief Lester Schaffer of the Navy, who was formerly Secretary to L. A. Thibor, Vice-President in Charge of Traffic, and Lt. Johnnie Maye of the Transportation Department were both back home on visits. Lt. Maye is in the Anti-Aircraft Division of the Artillery and served abroad in several campaigns.

Chief Schaffer is back from the Pacific and has been ordered to report to Great Lakes Naval Training Station.

Charles A. Winston

Death called one of the old-timers in the Jackson, Tennessee Mechanical Department on August 2nd, when Machinist Charles A. Winston passed away after an illness of approximately one year.

Employed by the GM&N in 1908, Mr. Winston had been with the Company in Jackson continuously. He leaves a host of friends in Jackson and within the GM&O organization.

He is survived by one son, Robert Winston, USN; two sisters of Jackson and one brother.

WHERE YOUR GAS WENT

The petroleum requirements of the armed forces during war time are, of course, a military secret. But now it can be told about the staggering amount of gasoline and oil which was delivered to the armies in Europe between D-Day and V-E Day.

The War Department announced recently that between D-Day and V-E Day the Transportation Corps imported and delivered 1,645,145,840 gallons of POL (Petrol, Oil, Lubricants), an average of approximately 5,000,000 gallons a day, to depots and air bases on the Continent of Europe.—Suggested by C. E. Lanham, Supt of Transportation.
MISSISSIPPI URGED TO PROTECT TIMBER 
AS LARGEST NATURAL RESOURCE

Vice-President and General Counsel J. N. Flowers has written an interesting booklet on the importance of forestry lands in the State of Mississippi and to citizens.

He points out that timber is Mississippi's largest natural resource and sees in a State-Managed Forestry Program a new farm income and a new profession for State sons returning from battlefronts, that of Forestry Rangers.

He urges the State to protect, develop and increase timber acreage which he estimates at 5,000,000 acres, of which the Federal Government claims title to approximately 20 percent under a highly controversial purchase policy inaugurated some years ago.

Mr. Flowers, in stressing the importance of a State Forestry program says, "there is no reason why the United States should come into a state and take over this valuable resource where the state itself has taken the necessary steps to protect and promote the growing of timber."

"Three-fourths of the money realized from the national forest lands goes to Washington," he says, "one fourth... to the State." He points out that there are some 16,600,000 acres adapted to the growing of timber crops; enough involved to engage the constant attention of the State; the earnest consideration of the legislature and the interest of the citizens.

The Government pays no taxes on its land, he points out, and emphasizes that the tax burden must them necessarily be transferred to the remaining property. "The State should try to have the Federal Government deed back the more than a million acres taken over during the depression period and before the State became awakened to the necessity to protect its timber wealth, Mr. Flowers writes in his booklet."

"An enviable economic set-up would be 15,000,000 acres, half our land, producing maximum timber crops and the remaining 15,000,000 acres producing other crops, Mr. Flowers says."

To help the Mississippi forestry program, Gulf, Mobile and Ohio recently announced a $1,000 4-H Club conservation contest.

SOLDIER GETS WARM WELCOME FROM GIRLS IN OFFICE

Coming back from the Army certainly has its advantages, Robert Finch of our Passenger Department at Mobile admits as he is greeted by two secretary coworkers, Miss Thelma Wojohn and Miss Terrell.

Robert says he is headed for the Pacific and as much as he would like to get back to civilian life and his old Railroad job, feels that the young single boys should take the over-seas jobs and let the married army men come home. He's been in Italy and says he knows what its like to be away from home.

If we wrangle about yesterday, we have lost tomorrow.

—Winston Churchill.
Mrs. I. B. Tigrett, wife of our President, was chosen to christen the huge 18,000 ton Sea Skimmer in the first peace-time launching in four years at the Ingalls Shipbuilding Corporation yard at Pascagoula late last month.

Mrs. Tigrett chose as Matron of Honor, Mrs. Bisbee Seals, wife of our Employee Consultant. On the launching platform just before the christening are: Mrs. J. B. Tigrett; President I. B. Tigrett; Mrs. I. B. Tigrett; Monroe Lanier, President Ingalls Shipbuilding Corporation; Mrs. Seals, J. B. Tigrett; R. L. Ingalls, Sr., Chairman of Board, Ingalls Iron Works; Mrs. R. L. Ingalls, Sr., and Elizabeth and Barbara, granddaughters of Mr. and Mrs. Ingalls.

STILL IMPORTANT... TO BUY BONDS

Dear Mr. Tigrett:

It is most important that the American Public continue buying Government Bonds in substantial volume during the coming months and it is important that the payroll savings plan be kept available to workers and maintained at high levels. This is particularly true as we look forward to the Victory Loan which opens October 29.

I would like to urge that you continue your enthusiastic support to this plan before and during the drive and in the post drive period. I have assumed your willingness to do this due to many requests to this end that have reached me from management, labor and the public generally.

Fred M. Vinson, Secretary of the Treasury

OLD CONTRACT

An old contract for grading, dated September 30th, 1862 and signed by General Superintendent John Childe has been sent the Railroad by Mr. J. T. Penny of Pontotoc. The old record covered work in Chickasaw County that was done by Mr. Penny’s grandfather.

DRIVER SNODGRASS
IS COMMENDED

ELY & WALKER
St. Louis, Missouri

Gulf Transport Company:

I wish to take this opportunity to commend one of your bus drivers on the Rebel Liner to Columbia, Illinois.

This young man showed a great deal of kindness and courtesy to my mother who is crippled, as she and I were passengers yesterday.

I feel confident that it is an asset to you to have a driver such as Mr. Snodgrass who in his humble way gives service and consideration for which the Rebel Liner can be justly proud of.

Respectfully yours,

Dolores L. Fiege.

ENGINEER’S SON USES PLANE - REBEL FOR TRIP HOME

Retired Engineer John W. Bonham, who lives in Marion, Illinois had a real visit with his army captain son, Art, recently when the flier hopped from Gowen Field, Boise, Idaho to St. Louis and then used The Rebel to see the home folks. He visited his sister in Murphysboro while on the trip.
FOR COMMUNITIES WHO SEEK NEW INDUSTRIES

Dr. Wilford White, Chief of United States Department of Commerce Special Studies Unit, has this to say:

"There is not a village or hamlet in the entire South that is too small for a small processing plant, providing the raw materials are there and the markets nearby. Large plants with expensive machinery are not needed."

Mr. M. D. Brett, Past President of the Mississippi Bankers Association, gave some interesting figures in his annual address concerning the resources of the South. For instance, it produces more than 90% of the country's cotton, 100% of cane for sugar, 87% of the rice, 48% of the citrus fruits, 66% of the tobacco, 30% of the soy beans, 94% of the sweet potatoes, and has more than 50% of the farms of the Nation. It has 1/3 of the country's minerals, 1/5 of the bituminous coal, 2/3 of the oil, 2/3 of the natural gas, 1/2 of the marble, 97% of the sulphur, 40% of the forests and 100% of the turpentine and resin.

The South is America's No. 1 opportunity and its rich inheritance should be developed through local enterprise establishing small plants to serve expanding markets.

MISSISSIPPI EDITOR PRAISES BUS SERVICE

Mrs. Lois M. Anderson, Associate Editor of the Southern Sentinel, rode one of our Rebeliners recently. She was impressed by the courteous manner and affable way in which Driver Clements handled his passengers. Competition for passengers is going to get increasingly keen during the coming months. Planes, trains, buses and the private auto all will be vying in the transportation picture. But the one with the service... and that little extra something called courtesy, is doing well.

Last Sunday afternoon, July 15, Carolyn rode on the bus for the first time, and she had such a big time. She had been begging for a long time to take a ride, so we got on the bus at Ripley and rode up to Falkner where her daddy met us... It was her first ride on a bus of any kind, but it was my first ride on one of the G., M. & O. Rebel Liners... I had not had any occasion to ride a bus since the busses had been put on here, and it was a treat to me, in that the ride was comfortable, for it happened that there was not an over crowd on this one on Sunday afternoon. The bus is comfortable, and clean... which is indeed two factors that make traveling more comfortable... and above all the management of the bus company should be justly proud of the man who was operating this particular bus... I found out later that his name was Frank Clements and lives in Pontotoc, Mississippi... His kindness to the passengers was noticed especially by me, and his courtesy toward them... in particular, an old colored man wanted to get off at a cross road, and he got up and started to the door before the bus stopped, the driver asked him "Uncle why didn't you wait until I stopped the bus, you aren't as young as you used to be, you could have fallen and hurt?", then when two girls got off the bus at a cross road, he told them to watch the traffic, that there was a car behind... he was so courteous to a woman who had three small children, one she was carrying in her arms... all of this just goes in part of a day's work to a driver of a bus, and I am sure that there are numerous things that they have to contend with, but the attitude he had and the way he treated his passengers certainly had its effect on me, and I am glad that the G. M. & O. can have men like this driving their busses... for the way they treat their patrons, and I am sure that if a company can maintain such standards during war time that they will continue through after the war is over... Carolyn and I enjoyed the ride, and I am sure she will still be talking about it for weeks to come... if we start to travel, we won't mind riding on this bus line that goes through Ripley, and our hope is that as time goes on there will be a direct route into Jackson.
SEA SKIMMER GLIDES DOWN WAYS
INTO HISTORIC PASCAGOULA RIVER

The U.S.S. Sea Skimmer slides down the ways into the historic "Singing River" at Pascagoula as Ingalls Shipbuilding Corporation launches its 73rd Hull. Note the check chains at left, these slow the descent of the huge vessel as she slips down the ways, stern first. She will be picked up by one of the famous Ingall's Sea Mules for movement to the wet dock where outfitting will be completed.

Ingalls has a full program of peace-time constructions, enough work on hand for more than two years of shipbuilding. Located at Pascagoula, Ingalls has easy access to the Gulf. Our Railroad serves the plant through the Mississippi Export which operates from Pascagoula to Evanston, on our Line.

THE SINGING RIVER

The Pascagoula River, site of the Ingalls Shipbuilding Plant, is called the Singing River because at certain times the waters hum a weird tune as they race to the Gulf.

Legend says that women members of an Indian Tribe living on the River waded into the stream and drowned themselves rather than face capture by an enemy tribe. The stream is said to echo their voices.

Actually, the waters are thought to make their musical notes when running over oyster and clam shells on the banks and bottom.
JACKSON CIVIC GOVERNMENT GROUPED AROUND ATTRACTIVE PLAZA

Jackson, Mississippi has one of the most attractively arranged civic government centers of the towns along our line. Above you can see the Court House and the City Hall and in the center the beautiful gardens of the plaza. On top of the building in the far center of the picture is located Hinds County’s famous escape proof jail. Stone figures adorn the top and when brought to Jackson were hauled by our Railroad.

NEW TREASURER
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back in 1918 when Bill was offered a job at the Mobile and Ohio paying $25.00 more a month than he was making. Mr. Wall says he never will forget the friendly advise, nor the street corner query some months later from the same man who wanted to know, "Bill, are you President of the Railroad up there yet?"

Bill was quite an athlete in his younger days and played baseball and basketball with the old Mobile and Ohio cam in the City League. He has been a member of the Mobile Yacht club for many years (three years Commodore) and was an ardent yachtsman.

However, as the father of three young children, Mr. Wall says he has confined his sailing activities in recent year to the rocking chair fleet on the porch, in the breeze. His three children are named Madeline, after his wife, Sharon and William, Jr.

Next time you get your pay check, look for the new signature and meet Treasurer W. J. Wall.

GM&O GOLF TEAM WINS MOBILE LEAGUE

Gulf, Mobile and Ohio’s Golf Team won the Mobile Japonica Commercial League in a close play-off with Gulf Shipbuilding. Gulf won the first half by ½ point while the second half went to The Rebels by a 1½ point margin.

In the play-off 18-holes, The General Office golfers hit their stride and captured the honors, each member of the team receiving a leather pocket-book, suitably engraved.

On the team were: A. M. Yost, Auditor of Disbursements; Codie Thomas, Commercial Agent, Traffic; E. A. Schrader, Special Representative, Operating Department; J. J. Geckie, Division Clerk, Traffic; B. S. Bowran, Chief Clerk to Asst. Vice-President, Operating and G. C. Fairchild, Clerk, Purchasing Department.

Thomas was low with a 78, winning both the handicap and net scores. Play was each Tuesday evening.

MACON BORDEN PLANT WINS "A" AWARD

The Macon, Mississippi plant of The Borden Company was presented the "A" Award by the War Food Administration on September Sixth in impressive ceremonies at the plant which is located on our line.

Freight Traffic Manager R. P. "Pat" Tallman of Mobile and Division Freight Traffic Manager Leslie Farrell of Meridian, together with Agricultural Agent Bachevin and J. H. Newton, Macon Freight Agent were present to offer personal congratulations to Borden officials and employees on the flag raising occasion.

R. W. Maycock, Director of Supply for the War Food Administration in

The Macon plant, in addition to its normal production of evaporated milk, added lemon powder (dehydrated lemon juice) to its production schedules as a war contribution. More than a million pounds of lemon powder was produced here, with equipment designed, engineered, and installed by Borden specialists, to aid in combating tropical maladies in the South Pacific. The entire output of lemon powder was supplied to the Army.

announcing the award said, "It is in recognition of your plant’s outstanding contribution to the drive for victory, both on the home front and to the Armed Services, in processing ‘Food for Freedom’.

Vice-President Clyde E. Beardlee of Borden in New York said that we are “resolved to do our share in winning the peace as we have done in winning the war.”

Brigadier General W. A. Danielson, Commanding Officer, Army Service Forces, Memphis, presented the flag and it was accepted by Macon Borden Superintendent R. G. Posley. The official greeting was made by D. A. Davidson, Borden Southern Division Superintendent.

RECEIPTS DEPARTMENT

Miss Vera A. DeAngelo was married to Mr. John A. Davis, Saturday evening, Aug. 28. The ceremony took place in a pretty Church wedding at the bride’s home town, Moss Point, Miss.

Miss Pearl G. English was married to Mr. Thomas Fletcher in a lovely church wedding Thursday evening, September 6, in the Government Street Presbyterian Church.
ATTENTION ALL OUTSIDE TRAFFIC SOLICITORS!
DO WE NEED BUSINESS?

Yes, fellows this is the big Terminal at Okolona, Mississippi. But, don’t get too alarmed for it so happens that the Operating Department had just cleared the yards with two trains South and two trains North when we rolled onto the overhead bridge overlooking Agent Frank McGeehee’s stomping grounds.

Executive Representative Tom Martin, who handles Industrial Relations for the Company, was along when we decided that what the next issue of The News needed was a real railroad yard shot, an action picture showing switching engines and shunting cars. You can imagine the consternation when the scene above presented itself. However, if any of our customers happen to see the picture they will know that Mr. Brock and his boys “run them” and don’t let ears idle around in yards.

THOSE GLAMOUR ADS

One of our Executives was asking an industrialist located on G M & O how he was getting on with his conversion to Post-War production.

“Well,” replied the industrialist, “our research and production department is having a hard time keeping up with the Advertising Department.”

now served by Gulf Transport highway service, for 25 years until the old O.H. &C.C. Branch was abandoned. He was at Meridian until, as he puts it, America went to war, and he went to work at Prairie.

T. M. Howell, shown above, will look out for things at Prairie where he has served for many years.

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RETURNS PURSE TO WOMAN PASSENGER


Dear Mr. Crawford:

Thank you very much for sending the cap and purse found on your bus. My young daughter, to whom it belongs, is especially grateful.

Sincerely,

Mrs. H. G. Coleman.

J. A. (Johnnie) Crawford manages the Mailing Division of the General Office and because he was originally a Gulf Transport Driver, fills in on week-ends when extra runs are necessary. Courteous treatment and thoughtfulness are standard equipment with Johnnie.

KEEP THOSE WAR BONDS and BUY MORE!!
MISS HUTCHINSON JOINS HOSTESS

Miss Mary Jane Hutchinson couldn’t be classed as one of our new Rebel Hostesses, for she has been with the Railroad since June 26. Hence, we’ll have to confess that we have been all this time getting you a picture of the young lady.

Miss Hutchinson comes from the Deep Delta Country around Doddsville, Mississippi and has just as Southern a drawl as you would expect from a young miss who has been raised on a plantation and educated on the cotton market.

A charming brunette, with a music degree from the University of Louisiana, Miss Hutchinson still avoids making a wish about the weather for fear it might not be favorable to the crops growing back home. She says just as sure as she wishes for rain, it will rain torrents... and just as surely the hay will be on the ground at Doddsville.

Miss Hutchinson likes her work and her passengers like her and it isn’t any wonder for being friendly and affable is human nature with the Hostess from the Mississippi Delta.

We are sorry to hear of the illness of District Storekeeper W. A. Trest of Louisville, Mississippi who is recuperating in St. Francis Sanitarium, Colorado Springs Colorado. Drop him a line from time to time so he will know we are all thinking about him back here on the Railroad.

NEWS OF PHYLLIS LICKERT

A nice letter from Phyllis Lickert asking that we send her and her brother, in Antwerp with the Army, copies of The News. Says Miss Lickert, who worked in our Traffic (Rates) Department, Mobile and in the St. Louis Agency, “Since I am no longer with GM&O, due to a death in my family, I want to keep in touch with GM&O family, having been with them 17 years.”

FRED KELLY AT FORT BLISS

Remember Fred Kelly, who was General Superintendent Bridges’ Secretary before the war? Well, Fred is now a Lieutenant in the Army and is Assistant Transportation Officer at Fort Bliss. Fred knows his railroading and should be a real help to the Army.

He writes, “Certainly would like to see everyone at the GM&O — maybe won’t be too long now.”