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CORLISS, Carlton J.

Crystal

January 22, 1951

Mr. Carlton J. Corliss
c/o Creative Age Press
11 East 44th Street
New York City 17

Dear Mr. Corliss:

Your new book, MAIN LINE OF MID-AMERICA, is on our order list, and we expect to have the pleasure of seeing it soon. It will be noted in the Bulletin of the Maine Library Association, and we are sure that the study will prove most interesting and also helpful in our reference work.

We read in the Bangor Daily News that you are a native of Crystal, and for that reason we think you will be interested in the Maine Author Collection. This is composed of books written by Maine people, or about the state, and numbers about two thousand volumes, most of which are inscribed presentation copies. All kinds of books are here, and the inscriptions are as varied as the contents. We have cook books, histories, children's stories, novels, poetry, books on radio, metaphysics, travel, art, education, religion -- a truly varied and impressive representation of Maine's contribution to literature. The inscriptions are distinctive, and the whole exhibit constantly attracts students and visitors.

It is always a happy day when we can add another name to the roster of Maine authors, and a delight to add another volume to the Maine Author Collection. We hope that you will want to inscribe and present a copy of MAIN LINE OF MID-AMERICA for this purpose

You have our very good wishes for the success of your book, and our cordial invitation to call at the library and see the collection when you are in Augusta.

Sincerely yours

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January 28, 1951

Mrs. Halda McLeod Jacob,
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Augusta, Maine.

Dear Mrs. Jacob:

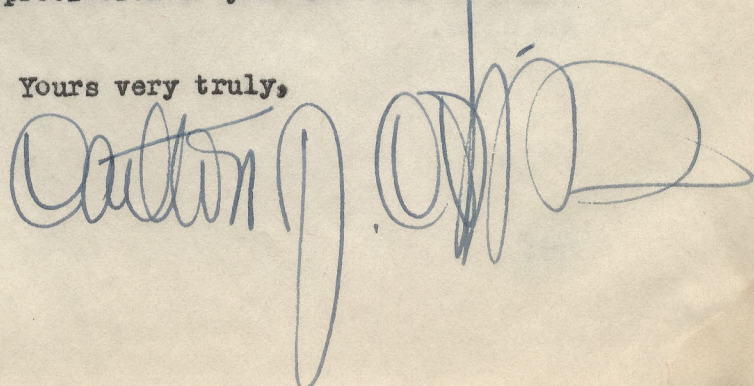
I am greatly honored to be invited to present an inscribed copy of my new book MAIN LINE OF MID-AMERICA to the State Library for inclusion in the Maine Author Collection. It is a real pleasure to comply with your request, and in so doing to become associated, in your records at least, with a most distinguished company of writers, including one of my great heroes, Holman F. Day, some of whose verses I have committed to memory and recite to my friends whenever the opportunity presents itself. A copy of my book is being mailed to you, and I wish you would let me know if it should fail to reach you promptly and in good condition.

Many thanks for the invitation to visit the library and look over the collection. I shall be glad to do so on my next visit to Maine. Incidentally, many years ago, perhaps back in the 1920's, while living in Chicago, I had some correspondence with Mr. Dunnock, then head of your library, concerning the early history of my home town, Crystal, in Aroostook County. I collected a large amount of historical data on Crystal and surrounding towns and made considerable progress in whipping the material into story form, but other demands upon my time compelled me to lay the work aside. I still have the material which I collected, including extensive notes by my mother, who was also a native of Crystal, and some time when the pressure is off I hope to take up the work and finish it -- purely as a labor of love.

If you should publish any comment on my book, I should like to receive a copy for my record.

With appreciation of your interest in the book, I am

Yours very truly,



WHAT CRITICS, REVIEWERS AND READERS ARE SAYING ABOUT

MAIN LINE OF MID-AMERICA. The Story of the Illinois Central.
By Carlton J. Corliss. 490 pp., 124 illustrations and maps.
Published by Creative Age Press, Inc., New York. \$4.75

RAILWAY AGE:

This is the best railroad history in many a year, if a combination of accuracy, good selection and interesting treatment be the criterion Railroad men who believe good history is important to their industry owe thanks to the Association of American Railroads for granting a leave of absence to Mr. Corliss from its public relations staff so that he might complete with such complete success this impressive and worthwhile labor.

NEW YORK TIMES, Book Review:

This comprehensive and satisfactory history ... marks the centennial year of a great railroad ... Its whole fascinating story from its earliest struggles down to the present day is given here in readable detail and with colorful glimpses of such historic figures as Daniel Webster, Stephen A. Douglas, General George B. McClellan, and Abraham Lincoln.

SATURDAY REVIEW OF LITERATURE:

A spirited account of the railroad that employed the original Casey Jones as an engineer and Abraham Lincoln as a corporation attorney. Real Americana.

CHICAGO TRIBUNE, Book Review:

Mr. Corliss has written a book so fascinating that the reviewer found it difficult to put it down for even so important a thing as resting the eyes. This history of a railroad, it is as exciting as adventure fiction. Within its pages are unfolded scores of stories. There are adventure, romance, politics, business intrigue... For writers the volume contains dozens of episodes worthy of development into plots. For students of history of the great Mississippi Valley there is valued source material. And for railroad fans it is a must.

CHICAGO SUN-TIMES:

Corliss tells the success story of the Illinois Central with verve and with a minimum of the polite adulation that frequently spoils business histories. The result is a fascinating, fact-laden book.

CHICAGO DAILY NEWS:

Corliss has produced an informative, well-documented and eminently readable book. It is a worth-while addition to the history of American railroading and to the history of Illinois.

PADUCAH SUN-DEMOCRAT:

Corliss ... has done tremendous research to write his book, which carries much original and hitherto unpublished material as well as interesting sidelights and stories relating to the Illinois Central and the men responsible for its being what it is today.

CHAMPAIGN NEWS-GAZETTE:

Corliss has turned out a masterful volume ... What a story is the centennial history of the Illinois Central! ... Here indeed is fascinating history... Splendid book.

ROBERT SELPH HENRY, author, historian; and Vice Pres., Assn. of Am. Rrs.:

It is not only a solid job ... but an extraordinarily well-organized and well-presented story of a complex series of events... I like the way he has woven the constituent companies into the main fabric of the story, but I believe I like most of all the way in which he has introduced the amazing parade of personalities who touched, and were touched by, the story of the Illinois Central.

JOHN BARRIGER, III, President, Monon Railroad:

Carlton Corliss has carried railroad literature to a new high. His subject certainly provides maximum potentialities of dramatic and romantic incidents which vitalized a corporate history in a manner which has never before been achieved with such striking effect. For the first time, a railroad history should become a best seller in non-fiction literature.

PAUL M. ANGLE, biographer, historian; and Exec. Dir., Chicago Hist. Society:

You have certainly done a grand job in Main Line of Mid-America... The book reads well, and it also has the fine qualities of precision and solidarity ... a durable contribution to American history... The book is not going to gather dust on library shelves -- it will be in constant use for at least a generation.

DR. THOMAS D. CLARK, Professor of History, University of Kentucky:

You "rung the bell." . . . Your book is magnificent.

HON. HUGH W. CROSS, Interstate Commerce Commissioner:

Carlton J. Corliss, the author, should be congratulated for a magnificent job.

FRED G. NEUMAN, historian and newspaperman, Paducah, Kentucky:

... the one book which every person connected with the steel horse will want to read... a remarkably complete account of the rail line which had a tremendous part in the development of Illinois and incidentally our own Paducah... If you ask me, one does not have to be a railroad man to thrill to the fascinating story related in Main Line of Mid-America.

JUDGE ROBERT V. FLETCHER, Special Counsel, Association of American Railroads:

I am filled with admiration at the excellence of the material which you have so carefully compiled and set forth in the narrative. I have read several books dealing with various railroads and I think this history of the Illinois Central is by far the best production along this line that has come to my attention.

EDWARD C. CRAIG, General Counsel, Illinois Central Railroad, retired:

. . . wonderfully well done.

FRED A. EMERY, newspaperman, Washington, D. C.:

finest ... a wonderful book, skillfully planned, marvelously written ... the ~~first~~ first book I have read so far on the history of railroads.

JUDGE EDWARD S. DELAPLAINE, author, historian, Frederick, Maryland:

... magnificent work ... very complete.

MRS. CAROLYN CURTIS MOHR, Stanford University Libraries:

You have succeeded in that rare accomplishment of producing a factual yet entirely readable text... Congratulations on a really magnificent piece of work.

JEWELL F. STEVENS, Jewell F. Stevens Co., advertising, Chicago:

This is a significant addition to Lincolniana and Americana. You have done all who love Lincoln, the Middle West in particular and the American scene in general a real service.

RONALD A SHADBURNE, Washington, D. C.:

A meritorious account of the Illinois Central ... a worthy addition to the history of the development of the transportation system of our country.

FRANK P. DONOVAN, Jr., author "Mileposts on the Prairie":

... a most thorough and comprehensive work -- one of the finest and most complete railroad histories I have ever read.

ARTHUR R. ATKINSON, Wilmette, Ill.:

... the most interesting and best written story of railroads I have ever read.

G. E. PAYNE, System Publicity Representative, Pennsylvania Railroad:

... a monumental chronicle of a great institution.

February 6, 1951

Mr. Carlton J. Corliss
2120 16th Street, N.W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Corliss:

It was indeed a pleasure to have your friendly letter and the inscribed copy of your absorbing book, MAIN LINE OF MID-AMERICA, for the Maine Author Collection. You are right: Maine has a distinguished company of writers, and your book is a worthy addition to the collection. It speaks with authority, and yet has a wide appeal. We have steady requests for all kinds of railroad material, and the lending copy will be very busy, we are sure. Meanwhile, we are delighted to place this copy in the collection.

Mr. Dunnack, who, incidentally, started the Maine Author Collection some twenty-five years ago, was always very much interested in Maine history, and especially the history of small towns. We hope that some day you will find time to finish the history of Crystal. Such books have a small sale, of course, but they are important.

We shall look forward to your visit, and shall hope to show you the Holman Day volumes which are in the collection. We lack a very few, so we cannot boast that his works are completely represented here, but we are always hoping to pick up the missing titles.

Our very warm thanks go to you for the inscribed gift of MAIN LINE OF MID-AMERICA for the Maine Author Collection.

Sincerely yours

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ILLINOIS CENTRAL RAILROAD

IN Appreciation

OF THE PARTICIPATION AND GOOD WILL OF

HILDA MC LEOD JACOBS



in the celebration during 1951 of the 100th anniversary of the ILLINOIS CENTRAL RAILROAD as the MAIN LINE OF MID-AMERICA, this expression of gratitude is presented.

This railroad, on the foundation of progress and partnership achieved in its first 100 years, reaffirms its pledge to live throughout its second century as good neighbor to Mid-America.

Wayne A. Johnston
PRESIDENT

March 30, 1951

Mr. George M. Crowson
Assistant to the President
Illinois Central Railroad
Chicago 5, Illinois

Dear Mr. Crowson:

The beautiful and interesting Centennial
Medallion of the Illinois Central Railroad has been
received. I am very much pleased to be among the
recipients. Thank you.

Very truly yours

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January 28, 1953

Mr. C. J. Corliss
Manager, Public Section
Association of American Railroads
Transportation Building
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Corliss:

It is certainly very thoughtful of you to send us the clipping about Dr. Jackson's death. We have seen nothing in Maine papers, and this is most valued information for our Maine biographical file.

Thank you.

Sincerely yours

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In Charge of
Maine Author Collection

August 13, 1953

Mr. Carlton J. Corliss
Manager, Public Section
Public Relations Department
Association of American Railroads
Transportation Building
Washington 6, D. C.

Dear Mr. Corliss:

It is kind of you to remember us with copies of the several publications recently received. One copy of each will be available to the public and the other copy is of course going into the Maine Author Collection. This is useful and interesting material, especially the address at Ricker this year.

We are always eager to have any material on Maine railroads, so this is particularly welcome.

Thank you very much for these fine gifts.

Sincerely yours

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November 23, 1954

Mr. Carlton J. Corliss, Manager
Public Section, Public Relations Department
Association of American Railroads
Transportation Building
Washington 6, D. C.

Dear Mr. Corliss:

The new pamphlet in the Vocational and Professional Monograph series, RAILROAD INDUSTRY, came to us automatically, for we have a standing order for this series.

We were delighted to see that the new edition was done by a real expert, and we wonder whether the Maine Author Collection ought not to have a copy, to place with your other work. We hope it will be possible.

Sincerely yours

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December 2, 1954

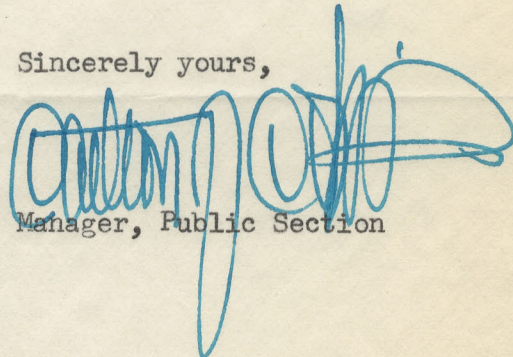
Mrs. F. W. Jacob
Maine State Library
Augusta, Maine

Dear Mrs. Jacob:

Many thanks for your letter of November 23 concerning the Vocational and Professional Monograph series, "Railroad Industry." It is my understanding that this little book is scheduled for publication sometime this month, and I shall be glad to see that you receive a copy for your collection. However, I must say I am far from an "expert" on the subject.

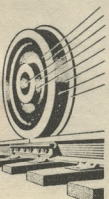
With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,



Manager, Public Section

the
most
important
wheel
in
America



April 20, 1955

Mr. Carlton J. Corliss, Manager
Public Section, Public Relations Department
Association of American Railroads
Transportation Building
Washington 6, D. C.

Dear Mr. Corliss:

Last fall we wrote to you about the Vocational and Professional Monograph pamphlet, RAILROAD INDUSTRY. You very kindly replied that the Maine Author Collection might have a copy when it was published. We hope it was not lost in the mail, but we thought we should let you know that we have not yet received it.

We don't, of course, agree with your modest assertion that you are not an expert on the subject but we do agree that any writing of yours should be in the Maine Author Collection, so we shall continue to anticipate its arrival.

Sincerely yours

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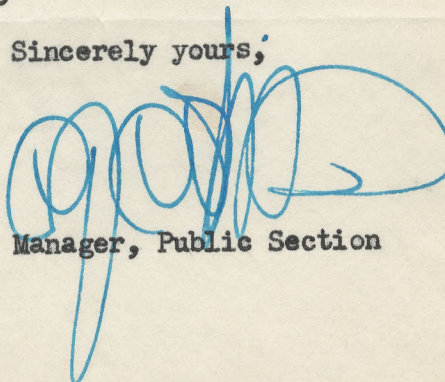
Mrs. F. W. Jacob,
c/o Maine Author Collection,
Maine State Library,
Augusta, Maine

Dear Mrs. Jacob:

There has evidently been some delay in the production of the Professional Monograph pamphlet on "The Railroad Industry" by the Bellman Publishing Company. The book was scheduled for publication last December but corrected proofs were not finally cleared until February 4, and we have not heard from the publishers since that date. I am writing them today and will let you know what I hear from them.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,



Manager, Public Section



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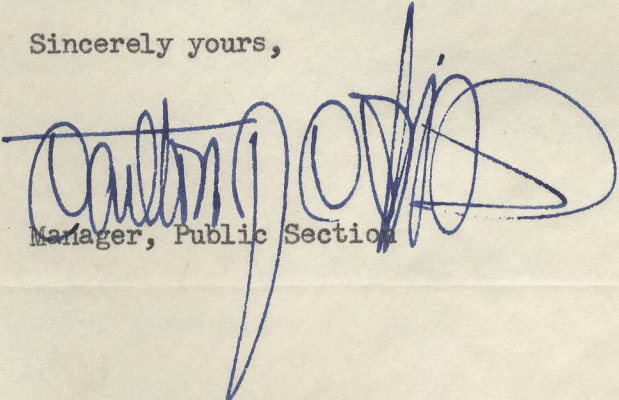
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Mrs. F. W. Jacob,
c/o Maine Author Collection,
Maine State Library,
Augusta, Maine

Dear Mrs. Jacob:

I have just received a copy of the American Railway Industry monograph published by the Bellman Publishing Company, Cambridge, Massachusetts. I am arranging for the publisher to mail you a copy. It should reach you within a few days.

Sincerely yours,


Manager, Public Section



From Association of American Railroads
For Railway Employee Magazine Editors
June, 1955

RAILROAD MAN'S SCRAPBOOK

(No. 16 of Series)

A FASCINATING STORY

This history of transportation in America is a fascinating story. It is filled with the romance of an expanding empire of freedom and opportunity. It is the story of resolute, courageous men and women who pushed westward over the mountains and plains to open new lands, to clear the forests, and to create new communities that have become great centers of industry and enterprise. From the earliest settlements along the Atlantic seaboard, the development and use of our waterways, highways, railways, pipelines, and air transportation has been one of the most important factors in our material, cultural, and spiritual progress.

-- Hon. Edward Martin,
United States Senator from Pennsylvania.

WINNING HABITS

The Smile Habit and the Safety Habit pay dividends all day long. They bring business to your road and keep it, and without the business there would be no railroad.

We get our money from the public, and the buyer always considers that he has the privilege of kicking. So let him kick!

We will smile just the same, and in the course of time he will learn to smile, too.

So there you get it. Courtesy, kindness, good-will, good health, the Smile Habit and the Safety Habit. These are the winners.

--Elbert Hubbard.

S A F E T Y S A Y I N G S

A careless act never won a promotion.	Safe ways are happy ways.
Safety has no quitting time.	Whatever you do, do it the Safe way.
Safety is free. Are you getting your share?	Stop, Look and Live.
Safety is the Staff of Life.	Mold Safety into the core of your being.
Safety is always in Season.	A careful habit is the best bodyguard.
Safety is a Blessing to mankind.	The best Safety device is a careful man.
Safety work promotes team work.	Promote Safety and Safety will promote you.

--From The Seaboard Spirit.

IRVIN S. COBB WAS SOMETIMES SERIOUS

Irvin S. Cobb, the famous humorist and wit, who contributed so much to the gaiety of life in his generation, could wax serious on occasion to drive home a point.

Cobb was dead serious on the subject of safety. He once said:

"I am quite sure that, if complete sets of comparative statistics were available, it would be shown that carelessness has been responsible for the loss of more lives, for the maiming of more human beings, and for a more stupendous total of human misery than was ever caused by any other agency.

"Pestilence we may guard against; famine we may alleviate; wars perhaps some day we may prevent; but against the criminal recklessness of the individual thoughtlessly endangering his own safety or the safety of some innocent victim, the world, until lately, had neither adequate protection nor sought for any. . . .

"One live man is worth more than a whole cemetery full of dead ones."

--Long Island Railroad Information Bulletin.

THE TRAIN OF LIFE

By Robert B. Brown

I saw a train depart today,
 And as it gathered speed,
 I thought of all the folks aboard,
 Their classes, race and creed,
 And where their journeys may conclude,
 And what their aims might be,
 On business, pleasure, joy, or grief,
 Success or tragedy.

I saw a well clad traveling man,
 Who read the sporting page,
 A sailor, off on leave, I'd say,
 A girl who looked quite "stage."
 A clergyman whose glasses seemed
 Unsuitable to his sight,
 A woman with a child, in black,
 She was quite frail and slight.

Ah, what a tale of grief perhaps
 We'd learn if we could know
 The reason ~~for~~^{for} her journey,
 How far she had to go.
 'Twere vain to try to analyze
 The thoughts, the hopes, the fears,
 Or try and guess, what lay ahead --
 Friends, business, hope or tears.

And day by day it happens,
 All classes come and go,
 Each carrying out the scheme of life,
 As foreordained, and so
 Today we sit together,
 Tomorrow once more part,
 To go where'er our fate decides,
 With light or heavy heart.

-- The Ticket Agent.

LOOSE END: -- The part of the automobile which causes more
 accidents than any other is the nut that holds the steering wheel.

-- Transportation News.

MECHANICAL MARVEL

Railroad men are so well posted on technical points concerning railway maintenance and operations that they sometimes lose sight of the fact that what seems perfectly plain to them may sound like Chinese to those who are engaged in other fields of activity.

Which reminds us of a description given of a machine installed in a railroad shop. "By means of a pedal attachment a fulcrumed lever converts a vertical reciprocating motion into a circular movement. The principal part of the machine is a large disc that revolves in a vertical plane. Power is applied through the axis of the disc and work is done on the periphery, and the hardest steel by mere impact may be reduced to any shape."

The machine was a grindstone.

EARLY RAILROADING IN CHICAGO

There are more than a score of "flagmen" stationed at intervals along the whole length of the line from Calumet to Randolph Street. Just before a train is to pass, each one walks over his "beat" and looks to see that every rail and tie, every trestle, every switch clamp and rivet is in good order and free from obstruction. If all is in order, he takes his stand with a white flag and waves it to the approaching train as a signal to "come on" -- and come on it does at full speed. If there is anything wrong, he waves a red flag, or at night a red lamp, and the engineer, on seeing it, promptly shuts off the steam and sounds the whistle to "put down the brakes." Every inch of the road is carefully examined after the passage of each train.

--- Chicago Democrat, 1853.

TRAIN FOR TIGER LILY, by Louise Riley. Three days of adventure for five youngsters who witnessed the most unusual happenings because Gus, the porter, was a master of magic. A special car carried Duncan's blue-ribbon calf home from the fair. A dining car supplied the best meals anybody ever ate. When the train began the homeward journey, all were sound asleep.

FREIGHT TRAIN, by William Bunce. Scale drawings by Lemuel B. Line of a rolling freight train, consisting of diesel-electric locomotive units, hopper cars, box cars, flatcars, gondolas, refrigerator cars and a caboose. In this train the products of farms, factories, mines and forests are carried from coast to coast.

PLEASURABLE VACATION READING FOR YOUNGSTERS

Whether Bobby and Susan remain at home or spend their vacations at camp, they will want some interesting books to while away the summer hours. More likely than not they will enjoy stories relating to trains and travel. Fortunately, writers of juvenile books and publishers have anticipated the need and have produced several noteworthy books which appeal strongly to young readers. Here are a few we do not hesitate to recommend.

WHEN LINCOLN WENT TO GETTYSBURG, by Adele Gutman Nathan.

Captain Eckert, the conductor of the Hanover Branch Railroad, relates his experiences from the time the telegram arrived saying President Lincoln was coming to Gettysburg to make a few remarks at the dedication of the National Cemetery at Gettysburg until he brought the President back to Hanover Junction and saw him board another train for Washington.

LINDA TRAVELS ALONE, by Nancy Dudley. The adventurous trip of seven-year-old Linda by train to Florida. She startled the waiter in the diner by ordering a dish of vanilla ice cream to start her meal and a dish of strawberries for dessert. When she returned to the Pullman car, her seat had been made up into a lower berth. Sally, her doll, slept with her. It was such fun!

STEPHEN'S TRAIN, by Margaret G. Otto. A boy's train trip to visit his grandmother. The conductor told funny stories and made them laugh. Stephen had fun but was glad to see his ^{uncle} ~~grandmother~~ when the train reached his destination

A "HOME-MADE" RAILROAD

American railway history is rich in odd and unusual projects, but it is doubtful if a more interesting railroad ever existed than the little 2-mile line -- "home-made from rails to motive power" -- that extended in the 1850's from the head of Moosehead Lake to the Penobscot River in Maine, serving as a portage for lumbermen's supplies.

This unique road was built of wooden rails, hewn from pine logs, fastened to sleepers with juniper pegs. Its gauge was 3 feet 6 inches -- one of the first narrow-gauge railroads in the United States.

Its only car, built on the job, was 10 feet long, equipped with wooden wheels cross-cut from pine logs. The only motive power consisted of a huge Holstein ox. This cud-chewing, tail-switching "locomotive," known as a "bullgine," was the subject of much interest. Henry David Thoreau, the poet-naturalist, wrote of his ride by "a truck drawn by an ox over a rude log railway through the woods." And Theodore Winthrop, in his Life in the Open Air, wrote: "Our cloven-hoofed engine did not whiz turbulently along on wheels. Slow and sure must be the knock-kneed chewer of cuds' step from log to log. Creakingly the train followed him, pausing and starting and pausing again with groans of inertia Whenever the engine-diver stopped to pick a huckleberry, the train, self-braking, stopped also, and the engine took in fuel from the tall grass that grew between the sleepers.

"So, at last, in an hour, after shooting one bird and swallowing six million berries . . . we come to the terminus.

"Here at 'Bullgineville' . . . the railroad manager, superintendent, engineer, stoker, switch-tender, brakeman, baggagemaster and every other official in one . . . had his cabin and clearing, ox-engine house and warehouse."

During the Civil War, the Moose Head Lake Railway was destroyed by a forest fire, and thus, one of the country's first and quaintest railroads passed into history without ever boasting a real locomotive.

June 6, 1955

Mr. Carlton J. Corliss
Manager, Public Section
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Dear Mr. Corliss:

How nice of you to think of us by sending the mimeographed releases! The "Home-Made" Railroad is especially interesting. We wish it were longer. How about a book, or at least an article, on some of the oddities and amusing details and histories of many of the Maine railroads? -- not just the story which is always encountered of a passenger's hopping off to pick blueberries while the train toiled slowly up the slope! You're just the person to write it, and now is a good time, while there are still people who remember.

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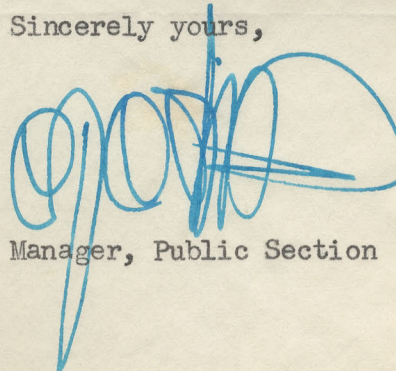
Mrs. F. W. Jacob,
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Dear Mrs. Jacob:

I greatly appreciate your suggestion that I am the one to prepare an article containing quaint and interesting facts about the railroads of Maine. I am sure there is plenty of material for such a story and I should like very much to tackle it when the opportunity presents. Just when that will be I cannot say, but I shall certainly keep it in mind and put something together at the first opportunity.

With appreciation of your interest,

Sincerely yours,



Manager, Public Section



December 7, 1956

C. J. Corliss, Manager
Public Section
Association of American Railroads
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Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Corliss:

Thank you very much for the copy of
your talk given before the National Trust
for Historic Preservation.

We are placing it in our general li-
brary and feel sure that it will be used.

Yours very truly,

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(Mrs.) Marion B. Stubbs

December 10, 1956

Mr. C. J. Corliss, Manager
Public Section
Association of American Railroads
Transportation Building
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Corliss:

The copy of your recent talk before the National Trust for Historic Preservation is to be added to your other work in the Maine Author Collection, instead of the general library. It will be available for consultation there, and we shall feel surer of its preservation. Thank you for remembering us.

Sincerely yours

In Charge of
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October 24, 1957

Mr. Carlton J. Corliss, Manager
Public Section
Association of American Railroads
Public Relations Department
Transportation Building
Washington 6, D. C.

Dear Mr. Corliss:

Thank you very much for having a copy of the
October Illinois Central Magazine sent to us.

Your article, RAILROAD HISTORY COMES TO LIFE
IN MUSEUMS ACROSS NATION is extremely interesting,
and we are delighted to have it to add to your
other work. You are most kind to remember the
collection, and we appreciate your thought.

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CARLTON J. CORLISS

2218 THOMASVILLE ROAD

TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA 32303

May 1978

Ms. Shirley Thayer,
Specialist in Maine Materials
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Dear Ms. Thayer:

Several years ago, I presented your library of a copy of "The Story of Crystal BEFORE 1900." At the same time I presented copies to Patten Memorial Library and Island Falls Public Library. However, I learned that some pages are missing in at least one volume. I will appreciate it if you will let me know if the copy I sent to you is complete. If not, will you kindly let me know the missing pages in your volume.

Sincerely

Carlton J. Corliss

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2218 THOMASVILLE ROAD

TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA 32303

May 11, 1978

Ms. Shirley Thayer,
Specialist in Maine Material
Maine State Library

Dear Ms Thayer:

Your congratulations on
attaining my 90th birthday is
greatly appreciated.

Thank you for the statistics -
1500 authors in all - a very
commendable showing indeed!

Our old and much missed
friend Holman J. Day was
a prolific writer, rich in humor.

I know of no bibliography
that covered my work adequately
in the time frame period. However, I will
send you some items soon.

Sincerely

Carlton J. Corliss

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2218 THOMASVILLE ROAD
TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA 32303

May 12 1978

Dear Ms. Thayer:

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Very sincerely,

Carlton J. Corliss

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bour), George Edward II. Clara Louise; step-children: Annah Cushman Philippi (Mrs. C. W. Ten Broeck Jr.), John Frederick (Philippi) Copeland, Mary Cushman Philippi. *Education:* Milwaukee, Wis., Grade schs. and East Div. High sch. (1907), Mass. Inst. of Tech. (B. S. 1912). *Career:* 1912-13, mechl. and chem. engr., Katahdin Pulp & Paper Co., Lincoln, Me.; 1913-14, mechl. supt., same co., at Lincoln; 1914-15, asst. gen. mgr., same co., at Lincoln; 1915-16, resident mgr., Katahdin div., Eastern Mfg. Co., Lincoln; 1916-18, asst. to pres., same co., Bangor, Me.; 1918-28, v.-p. in charge mfg., same co., Bangor; 1928-36, v.-p. and gen. mgr., same co., Bangor; 1936—, pres., Northwest Paper Co., Cloquet, Minn.; 1936—, pres., Duluth & Northeastern, at Cloquet. *Episcopalian. Republican. Clubs and fraternities:* Gamma Delta Psi, Delta Tau Delta, Osiris, The Minnesota (St. Paul), St. Paul Athletic, Kitchi Gammi (Duluth, Minn.), Northland Country (Duluth, Minn.), Cloquet (Minn.) Golf, Tar-ratule (Bangor, Me.). *Home address:* 520 Park Pl., Cloquet, Minn.

Copp, Vernon R., Special Engineer, St. Louis-San Francisco Ry. Co. Office: 415 Frisco Bldg., Springfield, Mo.

Born: Floyd, Iowa, Jan. 22, 1900. *Son of* Frank W. and Emma (Kern) Copp. *Married:* Evelyn M. Sewell, Feb. 22, 1926. *Children:* Mrs. Kathryn L. Martin. *Education:* High sch. (1918), U.S.N.R.F. (June 1918-Sept. 1921). *Entered Railroad Service with St.L.-S.F.:* Mar. 1922-Sept. 1923, chainman; Sept. 1923-May 1926, rodman; May 1926-Nov. 1929, instrumentman; Nov. 1929-Jan. 1945, acctg. engr.; Jan.-Aug. 1945, asst. div. engr.; Aug. 1945-Aug. 1946, chief maintenance clerk; Aug. 1946-May 1947, sr. asst. engr.; May 1947-June 1953, res. engr.; June-Nov. 1953, constr. engr.; Nov. 1952—, special engr., design and constr. Mem., Comm. 11, A.R.E.A.; R. & M.W.A.; Miss. Valley M. of W. Club; Mo. Soc. of Prof. Engrs.; Natl. Soc. of Prof. Engrs., Am. Legion. Baptist. Republican. *Home address:* 1533 Kimbrough, Springfield, Mo.

Corbett, James William, Vice President, Southern Pacific Co. Office: 65 Market St., San Francisco 5, Cal.

Born: Gallup, N. M., June 25, 1895. *Son of* James F. and Mary A. (Lee) Corbett. *Married:* Wanda K. Anson, Feb. 1, 1922. *Children:* William E., Robert A. *Education:* High sch. *Entered Railroad Service:* 1911, as call boy, O. W. R. R. & N. (now U. P.); May 1912-June 1915, telegraph opr., same road; June 1915-May 1917, telegrapher, S. P.; May 1917-Jan. 1919, U. S. Army. Subsequent service all with the S. P. Co., as follows: May 1919-June 1927, train dispr.; June-Aug. 1927, div. examiner; Aug. 1927-May 1928, supvr. transp.; May-July, 1928, traveling supvr., S. P. Motor Transport Co.; July 1928-Sept. 1937, trainmaster and term. trainmaster; Sept. 1937-July 1939, asst. supt.; July 1939-July 1941, asst. to gen. mgr.; July 1941-Apr. 1942, supt.; Apr. 1942-Mar. 1944, asst. gen. mgr.; Mar. 1944-July 1948, gen. mgr.; July 1948—, v.-p.-operations, S. P. Co. Also pres., Oeden Union Ry. & Depot Co.; v.-p., Sunset Ry. Co. Dir. Pacific Ry Club. Mem., Serra Intl. Roman Catholic. Republican. *Clubs:* Family, Olympic, Am. Legion, Arlington (Portland, Ore.), K. of C. *Home address:* 323 Marina Blvd., San Francisco 23, Cal.

Corbett, V. T., Chairman, Southwestern Passenger Association. Office: 915 Olive St., St. Louis, Mo.

Education: Notre Dame Univ. *Entered Railroad Service:* 1905, serving in various positions until 1911. Subsequently, 1911-39, in pass. dept., C. R. I. & P.; 1939-46, asst. gen. pass. agent, rates and divs., C. R. I. & P. (during World War II in charge of mil. movements on that rd., and an asst. to dir., O. D. T.); 1946—, chm., Southwestern Pass. Assn., St. Louis, Mo.

Corcoran, John Frederic, Vice-President, Union Asbestos & Rubber Co. Office: 332 S. Michigan St., Chicago.

Born: New Albany, Pa., Nov. 2, 1915. *Son of* Charles A. and Bernice (Franklin) Corcoran. *Married:* Joan Keeley, June 7, 1941. *Children:* Patricia Ann, Joan Michael, Thomas Charles. *Education:* Trinity Prep. Sch. (1933), Columbia Coll. (1936). *Career:* 1936-40, constr. industry, New York; 1940-42, Am. Locomotive Co., New York; 1942-47, asst. to gen. so. repr., Am. Locomotive Co., Washington, D. C.; 1947-48, dist. sales mgr., same co., Atlanta; 1948-50, asst. to v.-p., same co., Chicago; 1950-52, mfrs. repr., Washington, D. C.; 1952-53, dir. of sales and 1953—, v.-p., sales, Union Asbestos & Rubber Co., Chicago. Mem., Allied Ry. Supply Assn. (Bd. of Governors), Westn. Ry. Club, L.M.O.A., Chicago Car Fore. Assn., Asbestos Textile Inst. (Bd. of Governors), Episcopalian, Republican. *Clubs and fraternities:* Chicago, Glenview, Delta Phi. *Home address:* 1189 Oakley Ave., Winnetka, Ill.

Corcoran, John J., Chief Signal Engineer, New York Central System. Office: Cleveland 13, Ohio.

Born: West Springfield, Mass., Apr. 14, 1889. *Son of* Michael M. and Mary (McGlaughlin) Corcoran. *Married:* Grace Brady, Oct. 13, 1915. *Children:* Grace, Mary Jane, Margaret, Juliet, Michael. *Education:* Worcester Polytechnic Inst. (B. S. in E. E. 1911). *Entered Railway Service:* 1906 and served during the summer months of that year and the succeeding years to 1910 inclusive as, water boy, track inspr., material clerk, and signal wireman's helper. Boston & Albany. Subsequent career has been as follows: 1911-22, signal helper, asst. maintainer, maintainer, maintainer inspr., construction inspr., draftsman, gen. draftsman, asst. engr. and chief inspr., N. Y. C. Buffalo, N. Y.; 1922-24, engr. of construction, same road; 1924-37, asst. signal engr., N. Y. C. Lines East, Albany, N. Y.; 1937-40, asst. signal engr., N. Y. C. System, Cleveland, O.; Apr. 1940-July 1953, signal engr., N.Y.C. Lines West, Cleveland; July 1953—, chief signal engr., N.Y.C. System, Cleveland. Mem., Signal Sec., A. A. R. (chm. of Sec. 1942); chm., Comm. X, Signaling Practice (1945). Catholic. *Home address:* 2235 Overlook Road, Cleveland Heights, Ohio.

Corliss, Carlton J., Manager, Public Section, Association of American Railroads. Office: 735 Transportation Bldg., Washington 6, D. C.

Born: Crystal, Me., Apr. 20, 1888. *Son of* John Segee and Mary Ellen (Bell) Corliss. *Married:* Loretta Billings, Dec. 8, 1913. *Children:* Marion Virginia. *Education:* Ricker Classical Inst., Houlton, Me. *Entered Railroad Service:* 1905, as office boy, motive power dept., B. & M., Boston; 1905-06, taught school, Crystal and Sherman, Me.; 1907-08, reservation clerk, South Sta. ticket office, N.Y.N.H. & H. and B. & A., Boston; 1908, copyist, land and tax dept., Erie, New York; 1909-12, various capacities, constr. dept., F.E.C., Miami and Marathon, Fla.; 1913-14, chief clerk to chief constr. engr., Key West extn., F.E.C.; 1916-17, computer and draftsman, valuation dept., I. C., Chicago; 1917-18, asst. engr., I. C.; 1918-24, chief clerk, valuation dept., I. C.; 1925-34, assoc. ed., I. C. Magazine; 1934-36, asst. in pub. rel., exec. dept., I. C.; 1937-48, mgr., pub. section, Pub. Rel. Office, A.A.R., Washington, D. C.; 1948-50, historian, I. C., Chicago and Washington; Jan. 1, 1951—, mgr., pub. section, Pub. Rel. Dept., A.A.R. *Author:* Marvin Hughtit (1927); Trails to Rails (1935); Main Line of Mid-America (1950); also many articles on ry. subjects. Contributor to Book of Knowledge (1943, 1947); Encyclopedia Americana annual (1944-47); American Peoples Encyclopedia (1953-54); World Book Encyclopedia (1954). Editor, Quiz on Railroads and Railroad (1940-48, 1951—); Teachers' Kit on ry. transp. (1940-48);

A.A.R. Pub. Rel. Manual (1941-45); What's New? (1942-48, 1951-52); Railway Digest (1953). First chm., E. & L.H.S., Chicago Chap., 1936; mem., R. R. Pub. Rel. Assn., Columbia Hist. Soc. (D. C.); Newcomers Club, Lincoln Group, Civil War Round Table (Washington), Methodist. Republican. *Home address:* 2120 Sixteenth St., N.W., Washington 9, D. C.

Corliss, Edgar F., Member, Public Utilities Commission of Maine. Office: 50 Main St., Bridgton, Me.

Born: Charleston, Me., Sept. 14, 1891. *Son of* E. Frank and Jennie M. (Libby) Corliss. *Married:* Hallie M. Snow, Mar. 19, 1914. *Children:* Mary Elizabeth Corliss Lane. *Education:* Yarmouth High Sch. (1910); Univ. of Maine (LL.B. 1913). Lawyer since 1914. Dir. and clerk, Bridgton & Harrison Ry. Co. 1928-41. Judge, Northern Cumberland Municipal Court, 1934-38. Mem., Board of Selectmen, Bridgton, 1940-47. Commr., Me. Public Utilities Comm., 1948—. Protestant. Democrat. *Home address:* North High St., Bridgton, Me.

Corn, Jay Gordon, Assistant General Auditor, The Texas & Pacific Ry. Co. Office: 503 Texas & Pacific Bldg., Dallas, Tex.

Born: Jacksboro, Tenn., Feb. 12, 1896. *Son of* Sylvester Barnard and Bertha (Corn) Corn. *Married:* Isabel Read, Sept. 22, 1923. *Education:* High sch., Stillwater, Okla. (1911); Okla. A. & M. Coll., Stillwater, 1911-12. *Entered Railroad Service:* May 4, 1915, in acctg. dept., T. & P.; has since been in continuous service with that road, except during World War I, was non-comm. officer in 46th Engrs., U. S. Army, Apr. 1918-July 1919. Mem., Acctg. Div., A. A. R.; Assn. of Texas Ry. Acctg. Officers. Protestant. Republican. Mason. *Home address:* 3628 Bryn Mawr, Dallas, Tex.

Cornelle, Walter Smith, Manager Railway Sales, SKF Industries, Inc. Office: Front St. & Erie Ave., Philadelphia, Pa.

Born: Philadelphia, Pa., January 25, 1914. *Son of* James E. and Cornelia E. Cornelle. *Married:* Ann Palmer Root, May 23, 1952. *Children:* Melinda Alden, Walter Smith Jr., Andrew Root. *Education:* Englewood (N. J.) High Sch. (1932); New York Univ. (B.S. 1937). *Career:* 1937-39, Chase Natl. Bank; 1939-42, Crucible Steel Co. of Am.; since 1942 with SKF Industries, Inc.; 1947-50, western ry. sales repr., Chicago; 1950—, mgr. ry. sales, Philadelphia. Chief, Bearing Sec., Gen. Components Div., N.P.A., 3 mos. 1951. Mem., R.E.A., R.S.M.A., Western Ry. Club, New York R.R. Club, AS.M.E., L.M.O.A. Episcopalian. Republican. *Home address:* Wentz Rd., Whitmarsh, Pa.

Cornell, C. W., General Attorney, Southern Pacific Co. and Pacific Electric Ry. Co. Office: 670 Pacific Electric Bldg., Los Angeles 14, Cal.

Born: Providence, R. I., Dec. 4, 1889. *Son of* C. E. and Ermina (Smith) Cornell. *Married:* Hazel Reynolds, July 22, 1944. *Children:* William E., Peggy, John R. *Education:* Univ. of So. California (LL.B. 1915). *Entered Railroad Service:* Jan. 1915, in law dept., Pacific Electric Ry.; July 1915-Nov. 1, 1939, attorney, same company, with exception of two years in Naval service (July 1917-July 1919); Nov. 1, 1939-Mar. 1, 1945, counsel, same company; Mar. 1, 1945—, gen. attorney, same company, and attorney, S. P. Co.; Jan. 1, 1949—, also gen. atty., S. P. Co. Mem., Los Angeles Electric Club, Protestant. Republican. *Fraternities:* Mason, A. A. S. R., Shrine. *Home address:* 4 Thyme Place, Portuguese Bend, Cal.

Cornell, George M., Assistant to President, The Virginian Ry. Co. Office: Terminal Bldg., Norfolk 10, Va.

Born: Chicago, Mar. 7, 1905. *Son of* George L. and Mary Louise (Willett) Cornell. *Mar-*

ried: Elizabeth Brown, Oct. 6, 1936. *Children:* George W., Mary M. *Education:* Pub. and High schs., Minneapolis; Yale Univ. (M.S. in Transp. Engr., Strathcona Fellowship); Univ. of Minnesota (B.S. in C.E. 1925); Johnson Scholarship; Tau Beta Pi; Chi Epsilon. *Entered Railroad Service:* 1925, as a draftsman in the bridge engr.'s office, M. St. P. & S. S., Minneapolis. Subsequently, 1926-27, draftsman, bridge engr.'s office, N. P., St. Paul; 1929, asst. signalman, C. & O., Huntington, W. Va.; 1930-36, asst. engr., C. & O., Richmond, Va.; 1937-41, transp. inspr., C. & O., Huntington, W. Va.; 1942-44, deputy dir. and dir., Transp. Equipment Div., W. P. B., Washington, D. C.; 1945—, asst. to pres., Virginian Ry., Norfolk, Va. Mem., A. R. E. A., A. S. C. E. Mem., Triangle Fraternity, Congregation-alist. Independent. *Home address:* Box 376, R. F. D. 2, Suffolk, Va.

Cornell, William Everett, Engineer of Track, New York, Chicago & St. Louis R. R. Co. Office: 700 Public Square Bldg., Cleveland, Ohio.

Born: Fountain Co., Ind., Sept. 2, 1896. *Son of* Francis William and Frances Maria (Bowen) Cornell. *Married:* Helen Ferdella Cropper, July 15, 1920. *Children:* William Robert. *Education:* Valparaiso (Ind.) Univ. *Entered Railroad Service:* Apr. 24, 1917, as transitman, Toledo, St. Louis & Westn. (now N. Y. C. & St. L.) until Sept. 15, 1919; then attended univ. to Sept. 1, 1920. Subsequent service with the N. Y. C. St. L. as follows: Sept. 1, 1920-Aug. 1, 1933, transitman, field engr. and draftsman; Aug. 1, 1933-Mar. 1, 1937, chief draftsman; Mar. 1, 1937-Sept. 15, 1940, div. engr.; Sept. 15, 1940—, engr. of track. Mem., A. R. E. A. Protestant. Republican. Mason. *Home address:* 2036 Lakeview Ave., Rocky River 16, Ohio.

Cornwall, George E., New England Representative, Seating Division, Heywood-Wakefield Co. Office: Gardner, Mass.

Born: Charlestown, Mass., Aug. 25, 1891. *Married:* Clara Louise Taylor, Apr. 4, 1951. *Children:* Catherine E., Warner B. *Education:* Melrose High sch. and Burdette Evening Sch. Mem., New England R. R. Club; New England Transit Club; Am. Electric Ry. Assn.; R. B. A. Protestant. Republican. *Clubs:* Bear Hill Golf, Gardner Boat. *Home address:* Packard Hill, Ashburnham, Mass.

Corporon, Richard Pierce, Electronics Engineer, New York Central System. Office: 466 Lexington Ave., New York 17.

Born: Mishawaka, Ind., Apr. 6, 1910. *Son of* Fred and Margaret Belle (Duck) Corporon. *Married:* Allegra Juliet Carpenter, Nov. 26, 1936. *Children:* Douglas James, John Frederic. *Education:* Mishawaka grade and high schs. (1928); Coll. Preparatory; Purdue Univ. (B.S. E.E. 1944). *Career:* 1929-30, Westn. Elec. Co.; 1936-42, Indiana & Mich. Elec. Co.; 1944-46, Radio Corp. of Am.; 1947-50, Bendix Aviation Corp.; 1950-54, Penn. Controls, Inc.; 1954—, N.Y.C. Mem., A.I.E.E., Inst. of Radio Engrs., regd. prof. engr., Indiana. Protestant. Republican. Mem., International Lions, B.P.O.E. *Home address:* 609 Emerson St., Goshen, Ind.

Correll, Charles C., Assistant Freight Traffic Manager, Southern Ry. System. Office: 1301 Market St., Chattanooga, Tenn.

Born: Taylorsville, N. C., Dec. 9, 1902. *Son of* Bobbitt V. and Marsh (Hudson) Correll. *Married:* Blanche Franklin, June 11, 1928. *Children:* Charles C., Jr. *Education:* N. C. State Coll., Raleigh (B.S. 1926). *Entered Railroad Service:* Aug. 1, 1926, as student clerk, So. Ry., Washington, D. C.; subsequently with same road at Winston-Salem, N. C.; Columbia, S. C.; Cleveland, and Cincinnati, Ohio; New Orleans and Shreveport, La., until 1933. Subsequent career: 1933-40, employed by an oil co.; 1940-42, again with So. Ry. at Charlotte, N. C., New Orleans

CARLTON J. CORLISS

Fifty years of railway service, more than 33 of which have been in public relations, research and writing.

- 1905-1906 Boston & Maine Railroad, Motive Power Department, Boston - office boy, junior clerk.
- 1907-1908 Boston Terminal Company (NYNH&HRR), South Station Ticket Office, Boston - ticket seller.
- 1908 Erie Railroad, Land & Tax Department, New York - copyist.
- 1909-1914 Florida East Coast Railway, Key West Extension, various positions on construction, including that of chief clerk to Chief Constructing Engineer.
- 1916-1924 Illinois Central Railroad, Engineering Department - computer, draftsman, assistant engineer, chief clerk to valuation engineer.
- 1925-1934 Illinois Central Railroad, associate editor Illinois Central Magazine.
- 1934-1936 Illinois Central Railroad, Executive Department, assistant in public relations.
- 1937-1947 Association of American Railroads, Public Relations Office, manager Public Section.
- 1947-1949 Illinois Central Railroad, Executive Department, historian.
- 1950-1958 Association of American Railroads, Public Relations Office, manager Public Section.

Author of:

- ✓ Main Line of Mid-America, Centennial history of the Illinois Central Railroad. 523 pp, incl. 33 pp. illustrations. Creative Age Press, New York. Two editions.
- ✓ Trails to Rails, A Story of Transportation Progress in Illinois. Booklet distributed by Illinois Central Railroad. Two editions.
- ✓ American Railroads: Their Growth and Development, Booklet issued and distributed by Association of American Railroads. Several editions.
- ✓ The American Railroad Industry, Vocational guidance monograph. Bellman Publishing Company, Cambridge. Two editions.
- Private vs. Government Ownership of Railroads, Booklet published and distributed by Association of American Railroads.
- Building the Overseas Railroad to Key West, Lecture published in Tequesta, annual bulletin of Historical Association of Southern Florida; reprinted in booklet for popular distribution and public sale.
- Story of Marvin Hughitt, Article first published in Illinois Central Magazine, reprinted in cloth by Lakeside Press, Chicago, for Hughitt family.

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Illinois is an Economic Giant, in Illinois Journal of Commerce.

Co-author with Dr. Francis Bacon of booklet, Presidents of the United States, published by Roscoe Parkinson, Twentieth Century Press, Chicago; distributed by Union Pacific, Chicago & North Western and New York Central systems.

Seventy Years of Progress, Article on Illinois Central Suburban Service, first published in Illinois Central Magazine, and reprinted in booklet form by Illinois Central Railroad.

Iowa and the Illinois Central, Article first published in Illinois Central Magazine, reprinted in booklet form by Illinois Central Railroad.

The Human Side of Railroadng, Booklet printed and distributed by Association of American Railroads. Several editions.

The Day of Two Noons, Lecture on History of Standard Time, first printed by Ball Railroad Time Service; later editions by Association of American Railroads. Reprinted in many railway magazines.

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And numerous other articles on railroad subjects, including articles in World Book Encyclopedia, World Scope Encyclopedia, Book of Knowledge, American People's Encyclopedia Yearbooks, Americana Encyclopedia Yearbooks, American Educator Encyclopedia, and Book of Popular Science.

Consultant on Railroads, American College Dictionary, Random House, N. Y.

Editor of A.A.R. Speakers' Manual, Public Relations Manual, What's New? and earliest editions of Railway Digest; A.A.R.'s Monthly Service to Railway Magazine Editors; and Quiz on Railroads and Railroadng.

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Thank you very kindly for
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If you have not received
Mrs. Frank Sawyer's History of
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a copy can be obtained from her.

Sincerely

Carlton J. Corliss