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HERE'S TO THE CONDUCTORS!

If ever a set of men has visited St. Louis whose enjoyment of their stay with us was fervently desired by every citizen, it is the railway conductors, whose national order is now in session here. And this for the very good reason that there is not one of us who has not often found himself, a stranger in a strange land, debtor to the patience, courtesy and kindly human interest of the railway con-

ductor. They are the real missionaries of humanity, the real "friends of all the world."

Many a boy remembers how, on his first trip from home alone, his father put him into the conductor's charge and that official came back after he had gone through the train and sat beside him and talked to him about the new bridge that was going over the creek and the big grease spot in the cut where the milk train was wrecked on Tuesday before last. The conductor's was the last familiar face the boy saw as he left the train, and during his visit he occasionally stole down to the station, just to catch the glint of the gray eyes beneath the uniform cap and the wave of the masterful hand. He always felt less homesick after it. When he went to college the real homecoming began when he stepped aboard the train of the conductor who ran through the home town. And when he had attained to man's estate and death had come into the family circle and he made an unforgettable journey in a strange and fearful companionship, it was the same conductor, with frost in his hair now but none in his heart, whose few offhand words and quiet helpfulness counted for so much.

Let the citizen who is getting weak and wabby on the brotherhood of man just look at the railroad conductor. He looks after the children, jokes the downhearted schoolgirl, courteously answers the same question, asked by the same fussy old lady, three times between the water tank and the junction, rallies the lovers, decides the bet for the traveling-

down in the books with the baby. Should he "quit the road" he might qualify as a Chief of Police, a Foreign Ambassador, an expert accountant or a Master of Ceremonies.

Nor should the freight conductor be forgotten. There wasn't anybody there to see, on that day after the big blizzard, when he attacked the problem of clearing the yards at the junction with the coal branch under the eyes of the Superintendent himself. The "wye" was all snowed in, so that there was no place to turn a yard engine, and when the plows came by on the main line the cars on the passing track were covered above their roofs—but he and the Old Man cleared the yard, and the only reason why he did not become famous just on the strength of that one day's work was that Rudyard Kipling and Frank Spearman weren't there to see that the thing was reported properly.

Here's to the conductors! Their calling is one of the best and most human things that the peculiar quality of American civilization has brought into this busy world. We hope they will feel as much at home with us as we have with them.—St. Louis Republic.

The reciprocal feeling of one Eastern Oregon community for another should cause W. H. Brooke of Ontario to receive a good vote for delegate to the Republican National convention at the primaries Friday. While Mr. Brooke is not well known in this part of the district the friendly feeling for his home town, Ontario, will doubtless turn quite a vote to him from Union and Wallowa counties.

NOT THE END

(Portland Journal) This is not the end of the world. Presumably there will be other wars. In the next one, Germany may be a neutral, and as she is the greatest manufacturer of munitions in the world, she will then be supplying guns and equipment to the belligerents, just as she has always done in the past. Indeed, it was the German representatives in the International Peace congress at The Hague who led the opposition to a proposal that neutrals should not supply munitions to belligerents in time of war.

There will always be differences of opinion as to what constitutes neutrality in the present conflict, or in any conflict in which we are a neutral. There were such bitter differences in the time of Washington that his administration was rocked to its foundations by the controversy. There were American sympathizers with France, American sympathizers with Germany and American sympathizers with Great Britain in the Napoleonic wars.

Washington was harassed and embittered by the censure and criticism that he expressed regret that he ever accepted the presidency. He was finally driven to the extreme of giving passports to the French minister at Washington and sending him out of the country. Washington was charged with unneutrality, and was assailed by French-Americans, by British-Americans and by all others of foreign sympathies on account of his foreign policy.

The attacks on President Wilson by Sunday's Portland convention of those who sympathize with Germany is the reappearance, in far less aggravated form, of the conditions which President of Washington faced. It is unavoidable in a land of free speech and free action.

Meanwhile, there is the fact in the controversy: If Germany were in control of the seas and Great Britain shut off from America, how many of those in the Portland convention would have joined in the action taken.

International law cannot be made from day to day to fit occasions. It is the product of centuries and the authorized ordinance of civilized nations. It is established for the guidance of presidents and kings and kaisers and czars and it is their duty to observe it.

Washington conceived it, and he was bitterly condemned by men in his time. President Wilson cannot share the course of America by the play and unmistakable rules of international law without drawing upon himself the same kind of criticism that fell upon Washington. It is one of the penalties of being president in a war period.

Happily, in this republic, there is a vast body of Americans, among them many of foreign descent, who realize the tremendousness of the war complications, who believe above all in the justice of the American purpose and who are first of all unalterably bound by faith to the doctrine of one people, one country, one flag. They know that this war is not the end of things.

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