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A LETTER OF APPRECIATION

It is our conviction that all of you folks who are responsible for planning and carrying out our snow removal program are doing a very superior job.

Your efforts usually go without special note of recognition. However, every now and then someone takes time out of a busy day to write a letter extending a "thank you" for a job well done. One of the nicest of these letters was recently received by Chairman Stevens. We thought you would be interested in reading it.

Pratt Diagnostic Clinic—New England Center Hospital
Boston 11, Massachusetts

Mr. David H. Stevens, Chairman
State Highway Department
State House
Augusta, Maine

Dear Sir:

I am taking this liberty of congratulating you on one of the finest departments I have ever observed.

If you recall, on Monday, 9 December 1957, the weather was most undesirable for driving since the roads seemed quite hazardous due to freezing rain and snow. It was necessary for me to drive from Augusta to Calais and I did so reluctantly. However, never during my trip did I encounter a road which had not been made safe for driving by your Highway Patrol. I was so very favorably impressed with the fast action, efficiency, and effectiveness of their work.

I also appreciated the fact that all of your road signs seem to be abundant, well placed, and well marked. This surely makes driving a pleasure.

I am very grateful for your well organized department.

Very truly yours,

Maria G. Carey
Dietary Consultant
Bingham Associates

COVER

Scenic Route 17 in Rockport passes close to 1300 foot Ragged Mountain and Mirror Lake, the water supply of Rockland, Rockport, Thomaston and Camden.

The highway was recently constructed for the State Highway Commission by Earle Ludwig for a final construction cost of \$207,678.94. The road was paved with bituminous concrete at a cost of \$61,772.38 by the Lane Construction Corporation. Robert Martin was the Resident Engineer for the Commission.

8TH ANNUAL HIGHWAY

The 8th Annual Highway Conference sponsored by the Maine Section of the American Society of Civil Engineers, the State Highway Commission and the University of Maine Student Chapter was held at the University on December 13th and 14th. Over 200 engineers, guests and students attended the conference which used "Interstate Highway Program" as its theme.

The Friday morning session got under way about 10:30 with Vaughan M. Daggett, Chief Engineer, M.S.H.C., presiding. Following a welcome by Weston S. Evans, Acting Dean, College of Technology, students presented papers in competition. Winner was Albert L. Godfrey of Winthrop a senior who is majoring in Civil Engineering. This paper was on Applications of Photogrammetry To The Location and Design of Highways. He received a \$25 check from the NERBA.

The student competition was followed by a distinguished group of speakers. First of these were Lester J. Ellis, Right of Way Engineer, Massachusetts Department of Public Works — "The Aspects of Right of Way" and R. W. Manzer, Chief Highway Engineer, Department of Public Works, Province of New Brunswick — "The Trans-Canada Highway Through New Brunswick."



ENGINEERS LISTEN to a distinguished roster of speakers at the 8th Annual Highway Conference held at the University of Maine.

The afternoon session was presided over by Charles F. Parker, Chief Engineer, W. H. Hinman Co. The speakers were John Clarkeson, President, Clarkeson Engineering Co., Inc., Boston, Massachusetts—"Engineering"; Philip V. Corey, President, W. H. Hinman, Inc., North Anson, Maine,— "Contractors"; Stanley H. MacArthur, Vice President, Glens Falls Portland Cement Co., Glens Falls, New York—"Portland Cement"; L. Abbett Post, Executive Vice President, American Institute of Steel Construction—"Fabricated Structural Steel"; A. R. Curtis, Acting Manager, Asphalt Sales Division, Esso Standard Oil Co., New York,— "Asphalt Products" and Maj. Gen. Louis W. Prentiss (U.S.A. Ret.), Executive Vice President, A.R.B.A., — "National Conditions as A.R.B.A. Sees Them".

Lucius D. Barrows, retired Chief Engineer, M.S.H.C., presided over the evening meeting.

The speakers were E. Beach Bly, Engineer Assistant to Commissioner, Vermont Department of Highways; Bernard H. Langley, Office Engineer, New Hampshire

CONFERENCE HELD BY MAINE SECTION OF A.S.C.E.

Department of Public Works and Highways; David H. Stevens, Chairman, Maine State Highway Commission; and George M. Williams, Assistant Commissioner, Bureau of Public Roads, Washington, D. C. They gave a progress report on the Interstate Highway program in their respective states.

PERSONALITIES AT THE ANNUAL HIGHWAY CONFERENCE



Left to right (seated): A. R. Curtis, L. Abbett Post, Maj. Gen. Louis W. Prentiss (U.S.A. Ret.), (standing) John Clarkeson, Philip V. Corey, Stanley H. MacArthur and Charles F. Parker.



George M. Williams, E. Beach Bly, David H. Stevens, Lucius D. Barrows and Bernard H. Langley.



Page Johnson, Vaughn B. Everett, Weston S. Evans, Vaughan M. Daggett and Lawrence K. Murphy.

The Saturday morning session got under way at 9:30 with Lawrence K. Murphy, Construction Engineer, M.S.H.C., presiding.

A. E. Johnson, Executive Secretary, A.A.S.H.O. said, "We must maintain high standards if we are to get ahead of the traffic needs of the country. The Interstate Highway program has given us our first opportunity to get ahead of the nation's motoring needs."

The other Friday morning speaker was W. B. McKendrick, Jr., Project Director, A.A.S.H.O., Road Test, Highway Research Board.

It was the concensus of opinion expressed by the speakers that the entire program of the Federal Interstate highway system appears destined for a long, close look by Congress when it convenes in January and this conceivably could result in some changes in the Federal Highway Act of 1956, but the giant building program should shift into high gear in the coming year.

Virtually all agreed that there would be no shortage of materials to complete the highway system, although there appeared to be a shortage of funds and skilled manpower.

David H. Stevens, Chairman, M.S.H.C., gave a progress report on the Interstate Highway Program in Maine. He said that construction of the system in Maine has been somewhat delayed, but he pointed out that the commission had attempted to avoid delays by being forehanded to the extent of employing consulting engineers to start field surveys before the final passage of the 1956 Federal Aid Highway Act.

He said that many man-hours were spent in developing information after opposition had developed to field surveys of routes in the Cousins River and East Deering sections near Portland, and also near the Colby College Campus area of Waterville.

Stevens told the group that the Commission is somewhat optimistic that if clearances can be obtained from the Federal Bureau of Public Roads for Tukey Bridge and the East Deering to Cousins River section a considerable amount of work can be placed under contract in the near future, and Maine's standing in the amount of contract work authorized on the Interstate System can be improved.

He said that this would be desirable in view of the fact that Maine is very low in the amount of work placed under contract on the system in comparison with other states.

RETIREMENTS

ARTHUR WILEY of Fryeburg, a Patrolman's Helper in Division 7, retired October 18, 1957 at the age of 65.

DARRELL HARRIS of Costigan, a Patrolman in Division 3, retired November 1, 1957 at the age of 61.

ROBIE R. ROBINSON of Bingham, a Patrolman in Division 4, retired November 30, 1957 at the age of 70.

Bridge Engineers Hear Discussion on Prestressed Concrete



by Martin C. Rissel

Tuesday, December 10th, a talk about prestressed concrete bridges was given in the Highway Commission Hearing Room by representatives of the Portland Cement Concrete Association. The principal speaker, Mr. John J. Hogan, of the New York City Office, was introduced by Mr. Daniel Webster the District Engineer for the Association. Mr. Hogan has held the position of Regional Structural Consultant for the Portland Cement Concrete Association for the past fifteen years with much of that time devoted to the study of prestressed concrete and its application to bridges. In the audience were all the members of the bridge division design staff as well as two representatives from the local office of the Bureau of Public Roads.

Mr. Hogan divided his discussion into two parts. In the first part he graphically demonstrated, with the use of the blackboard and slides, that prestressed concrete is merely an adaptation of well known theories to relatively new concepts. In order to do this, the derivation of all the essential prestressed concrete formulas was given

BRIDGE ENGINEERS listen to Mr. John J. Hogan, Consulting Structural Engineer for the Portland Cement Association, discussing a formula used in relation to the design of a prestressed beam.

with great care, beginning with facts that every design engineer knows and uses almost daily. In the second part of his discussion, Mr. Hogan went more fully into the specialized problems that occur with prestressed concrete. With both discussion of theory and practice, and slides of bridges under construction and already built, Mr. Hogan showed the solution to these problems, and demonstrated that the prestressed concrete bridge is an economical competitive structural method.

The Association gave all those present mimeographed notes and design guides for the future use of the designers. While no prestressed bridges as yet have been constructed by the Highway Commission, the Bridge Division has contemplated their use in the future and for this reason Mr. Hogan's talk was not only informative but useful.

YOU NAME IT AND YOU CAN HAVE IT!



Do you know where this photo was snapped? If you do and are the first to send us a postcard giving the correct answer, we will send you an 8 x 10 original print of the above reproduction. Send your answer to Maine Highway News, Division of Special Services, State House, Augusta, Maine.

TRANSLATIONS

It is in process—So wrapped up in red tape that the situation is almost hopeless.

We will look into it—By the time the wheel makes a full turn, we will assume you have forgotten about it too.

A program—Any assignment that can't be completed by one phone call.

Channels—The trail left by inter-office memos.

Consultant or expert—Any ordinary guy more than 50 miles from home.

To activate—To make carbons and add more names to the memo.

To implement a program—Hire more people and expand the office.

Under consideration—Never heard of it.

Under active consideration—We're looking in the files for it.

A meeting—A mass milling by master minds.

A conference—A place where conversation is substituted for the dreariness of labor and the loneliness of thought.

To negotiate—To seek a meeting of minds without knocking together heads.

THE MEN OF DIVISION 4



DIVISION 4 SUPERVISORS are talking things over with Robert Vickery, Division Engineer at one of their weekly meetings. They are left to right: Merle Lancaster who supervises the work on roads in the Augusta-Litchfield area; Roland Godfrey, Division Supervisor; Charles Pooler, Madison to Jackman; Robert Vickery; Frank Thomas, Belgrade to Norridgewock; Edward Butler, Augusta to Burnham and Scribner Cayford, Skowhegan to Athens. Division 4 is comprised of Kennebec and Somerset Counties.

WATERVILLE OFFICE CREW



PAPER WORK is kept moving through the Waterville Office by this fine threesome. They are Daniel Foley, Mrs. Gertrude Powers and Theresa Lacombe.

NEW AUGUSTA RADIO OPERATOR



MARJORIE COLBY, the new voice on the Augusta Office radio, is pictured here for the benefit of the boys in the field who have been trying to visualize the gal on the other end of the line. Marjorie took over for Carmen Cyr after she transferred to the Federal Aid Secondary Office.

MOTOR TRANSPORT SAFETY MESSAGE

by ROY HUMPHREY

Safety is a very dry subject to try and put across. It remains very impersonal until you or your family are involved in an accident, where serious injury or damage results, then it becomes very personal indeed. With today's heavy traffic, which is increasing year by year with an accompanying increase in accidents, your chances of being involved in a serious accident are great indeed. You can help your chances of escaping an accident if you remember a few simple rules of the road.

1. When following another vehicle, keep at least one car length behind for each 10 miles of speed you are traveling.

2. In passing a car ahead of you, when in line of traffic, signal your intentions of pulling out to the traffic behind, as well as sounding your horn to warn the vehicle ahead, your intentions to pass.

3. At today's higher speed, do not pass until you are sure you have room enough to clear passed car in front of oncoming traffic.

4. Be a courteous driver. What good does it do you to die to prove you had the right of way.

5. Obey all traffic signs and proceed with caution. Perhaps the other fellow can't read either—or is color blind.

6. When driving at night, dim your lights to oncoming traffic. Modern headlights on high beam are brutal.

7. Signal your intentions before coming to a stop.

8. Be alert while driving. Perhaps the other driver isn't.

9. Drive your car with the same thoughtfulness and attention you would expect other drivers to do for you.

If you practice these few rules, your chances of escaping serious accidents are increased tremendously. You will get more enjoyment out of your driving and the physical and mental strain will be lessened. A good driver is a safe driver. Have you checked your own driving habits lately? Surprised?—I was.

- Stop trying to beat the other driver.
- Always give the other fellow a *brake*.
- Follow traffic laws explicitly.
- Employ common sense while driving.
- Take inventory of your car's mechanical condition.
- You have at *least* half of the driving responsibility.

OBITUARIES

LEON E. ENMAN, Patrolman Helper in Division 7, died on October 29, 1957, at the age of 56. Mr. Enman made his home in North Newry.

AROUND THE AUGUSTA OFFICE

MAIN OFFICE

Gertrude Lunt

Vaughan M. Daggett, Chief Engineer, attended the New England Road Builders Association at its Thirty-fifth Annual Dinner at the Hotel Statler in Boston on the evening of December 2, 1957.

David H. Stevens, Chairman, and Vaughan M. Daggett, Chief Engineer, attended the Friday, December 6th, session of the Aroostook Regional Meeting of the Maine Municipal Association at the Northeastland Hotel in Presque Isle. In the evening of the same day they attended a combined meeting of the Rotary Club and Chamber of Commerce of Van Buren, at which Mr. Stevens was one of the speakers.

On Wednesday, December 4th, Commissioners Stevens and Crosby and Mr. Daggett, met with the Selectmen and members of the Planning Board of Livermore Falls and Livermore at Livermore Falls and discussed the details of the bridge to be constructed between the two towns next year.

Messrs. Stevens, Crosby and Daggett attended a meeting of the Lewiston-Auburn Chamber of Commerce at the DeWitt Hotel in Lewiston on the evening of December 11, 1957.

RIGHT OF WAY

Charlotte Blumenthal

Right of Way Engineer William H. Bradford attended, with others, the 43rd Annual Meeting of the American Association of State Highway Officials in Chicago on November 15-22, 1957. He later attended the New England Road Builders Association dinner at the Statler Hotel, Boston, on December 2nd.

Frank Bell, Field Inspector, Outdoor Advertising, has transferred to the Portland Division Office as a Night Radio Operator for the winter months.

Mr. and Mrs. John Appleton have moved into their new home at 95 Fairview Avenue, Augusta.

The following personnel attended the 8th Annual Maine Highway Conference sponsored by the Maine Section, American Society of Civil Engineers, held at the University of Maine, Orono, on December 13th and 14th: William H. Bradford, R/W Engineer, Clarence E. Hart, Engineer, Right of Way Agents Leo F. Trainor, F. Merlon Cole, John A. Appleton, John H. Maasen, Jr., Philip E. Hedges and Robert H. Doe.

Kenneth Keup, Field Inspector, has been separated for the winter months. He will return to Outdoor Advertising in the Spring.

This Correspondent attended a retirement party for husband Morris Saturday evening, December 7th, held at the Graymore Hotel in Portland.

Our sympathy goes out to John and Gail Appleton in the loss of their twin sons, James and John.

MAINTENANCE

Georgianna Patten

Much activity in the way of Christmas shopping was apparent in the Maintenance Division with frequent trips to Lewiston and Portland and frequent requests to John B. to ride down town at noon, returning with mysterious packages.

Mrs. Lucille Cloutier is now settled in her new home at 43 Washington Street, Augusta.

Mr. Everard Lessard, a former employee of the State Highway Commission, came calling on old friends in the Maintenance Division before leaving for Virginia.

Mr. Louis Litchfield, former Division Engineer in Ellsworth, was a recent visitor in our office.

We recently celebrated John B. Church's birthday. A nice birthday cake was prepared for him by one of the good cooks in the division. He also received many good wishes and cards. Chester Worthylake and Ivy Pinette also had birthdays recently and received good wishes and cards.

TRAFFIC SERVICES

Eleanor King

L. Smith Dunnack, Assistant Attorney General, recently returned from a trip to Boston where he attended a conference of the New England Members of the Commissioners on Uniform Laws and the Banking Association regarding the enactment of the Commercial Code.

Act II, Scene I—Ralph Sawyer's sign crew left early Monday morning (December 9th) to continue the erection and correction of speed signs in accordance with zones amended or adopted by the Highway Speed Regulation Board.

BRIDGE

Burleigh Boyd

Charles Whitten, Pat Partridge and Tubby Everett attended the annual dinner of the New England Road Builders in Boston.

Vint Smith has returned from Aroostook for the winter. The Dick Dresellys have returned from their honeymoon in Texas. They went to Dallas by Northeast and American, and flew back in their own Cessna.

Larry Morton has taken over for Andy Adams at Old Winthrop Road in Augusta. Andy is busy preparing a paper for the Highway Research Board of Washington, D. C.

Charles Whitten's house was somewhat damaged by an explosion in the house next door. Mrs. Whitten had a miraculous escape from injury as she was bombarded with shattered glass from two kitchen windows and two storm windows but wasn't even scratched.

Harold Young is back from a month long bout with the flu.

Lew White's Court Street domicile was somewhat damaged when a neighbor's tree toppled into it.

Tubby Everett reports that Niblick Manor is closed in and is now being plastered.

F. A. PRIMARY

Nellie Chase

Freeman Withee and John Hodgkins who used to work for this Department are back with us again.

The following new fellows have come to work: Douglas A. Brown, Robert R. Gaboury and Edward H. Small, Jr.

Peter Cohen has been in a Boston Hospital for an operation. Edgar Cyr's mother recently passed away.

Congratulations are being extended to "Grandpappy" Furber. His daughter has just recently given birth to a son.

Henry Campbell is starting a sheep ranch on his farm on the Sidney Road.

Yours truly has just returned from a shopping spree in Boston.

PLANNING

Frances Lishness

Carl Kirkpatrick and Clyde Morgan were among the lucky hunters this year, each getting a deer.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Kenney have recently moved into their new home in Litchfield.

Frances Lishness recently visited in Lexington, Massachusetts, and shopped in Boston before returning home.

Fred Eaton, Arthur Edgerly, Oscar Crockett, George Locke and Ned Metcalf all of the division are among the employees of the State Highway Commission attending the highway conference of the Maine Chapter of the American Society of Civil Engineers, which was held at the University of Maine, December 13th and 14th.

Mrs. Dorothy Beel spent the holiday week with her family in Holyoke and Amherst, Massachusetts.

ACCOUNTING

Irene Marsden

With the hunting season over and Christmas closing in on us, the only news seems to be the various illnesses occurring and re-occurring among our people. And that is the worst kind (of news), as George Gobel says.

A more cheerful topic . . . Anyone pondering the lure of Miami Shores (and who isn't) for a winter vacation? If so, contact any one of the following, each having succumbed to Florida's charms, for pertinent information leading you to no place else on earth: Alice Anne Currier, Ed Albling, Bob Nelson. Two recent candidates expected to sign on momentarily, are Russ Carter and Morris Allen. Watch this column for more about these people as some of them will definitely be headed South before spring.

Winter vacations are becoming more popular each year, and seem particularly well adapted to Highway activity.

IN APPRECIATION: To my co-workers in the Highway Department who remembered me with cards and gifts during my recent illness . . . H. Dorothea Johnson.

STATE AID

Josephine Whalen

Ansel L. Hill and Genie Hamel were married November 27th. Congratulations "Pete."

Jay L. Robbins entered the Augusta General Hospital December 2nd for a checkup. Still there at the present writing. (December 9th).

Ima Bradford spent the week-end of December 7th at Wilmington, Massachusetts, visiting her son and family. Ima has also received word that her daughter in Miami, Florida, has a new baby boy, born December 8th—the first Bradford grandson weighed in at 4 lbs. 5 oz.—**heavyweight!**

Lois Hinckley will be leaving us in a few weeks. She is going to Jacksonville, Florida, to work. Maine winters are too severe for Lois.

FEDERAL AID SECONDARY

Bob Croswell

The last job of the season was let on December 11th. The project was a bituminous gravel road on Route 220 in Wal-doboro.

Our sympathy goes out to Mrs. Caldwell in the loss of her father-in-law.

Lee Warren has been traveling back and forth to the old SHC building. The secret behind it all is that they are re-vising the files and making microfilm records.

Our office was quite empty Friday, December 13th, as most of our boys attended the Highway Conference at the University of Maine.

Carmen Cyr recently came back to work after a two weeks' bout with Asian Flu. Welcome back Carmen!



NEWS FROM THE DIVISIONS



DIVISION 1—Presque Isle

Janice Beals

Division I recently had the pleasure of having Mr. Stevens, Mr. Daggett, Mr. Wilder and Mr. Albling visit them. Mr. Albling spent Friday afternoon in the office reviewing office and payroll procedures with Mrs. Evans and Mrs. Beals.



Victor Peterson, District Supervisor in the Caribou-Presque Isle area is the lucky hunter this year. He ventured out hunting for the first time this season on November 19th; came back twenty minutes later with an 8 point buck. The deer dressed 201 lbs. qualifying Vic for membership in the "Biggest Bucks in Maine" club. To prove his claim, the photograph was taken of Vic with his prize shortly after having it tagged.

DIVISION 2—Ellsworth

Rosa West

George Brown has been on a week's vacation at his home in South China.

Stanley Spencer, Ralph Dunbar, Roger Sargent, Keith Dunbar and Robert Cottle were in Boston recently attending

the New England Road Builders Association Meeting at the Statler Hotel.

Mrs. Frank Miller spent a week recently with her daughter Roberta at the University of Connecticut.

Jay Hubbard spent the Thanksgiving Holidays in Massachusetts and New York.

Patrolman Harold Leach and his helpers Aubrey Ayer and Philip Gross were digging out a culvert at North Orland—Harold could hardly believe his eyes when a yellow bellied trout flapped before his eyes. Harold and his helpers reached under the overhanging slabs and in a matter of minutes had four beautiful trout. The trout are now swimming around in the clear water of a nearby spring.

Mr. Hovey Kilton and wife have been on a vacation trip to Prince Edward Island. Since returning Hovey has been a patient at the Bangor Osteopathic Hospital, but has returned to work.

DIVISION 2—Machias

Eleanor Garnett

James E. Ackley of East Machias has been appointed patrolman to fill the vacancy caused by the retirement of Carl Marshall.

Supervisor Minden Perkins has moved to Pembroke for the winter months.

Donald Lund has returned to work after spending a two weeks' vacation cutting Christmas trees.

Oscar Mawhinney has resumed his duties on night patrol. Charles Noyes and Wayne Bean have been appointed new patrolmen in the Topsfield and Waite areas.

Elmer McGlaulin, patrolman, of Pembroke retired as of December 6, 1957.

Arthur P. Look, foreman, enjoyed a week's vacation. Part of the week was spent in Portland visiting.

DIVISION 3—Bangor

Reita Townsend

Know all the men appreciated getting their checks before the Thanksgiving Holiday.

We would certainly have appreciated some deer meat, but Mel Roberts just wasn't in the right place at the right time. Better luck next year Mel.

We have our radio operators on duty for the winter months. Warren Boston, Harold Barnes and Cecil Miller are the men who take down all reports and answer the questions during the night.

Have had some unfortunate accidents in this division. Fred Quinn fell while getting some supplies at M. L. Coffin's and fractured his pelvis. He is at Eastern Maine General Hospital, under the care of Dr. Allen Woodcock.

Harold Russell had an accident Saturday, December 7th. Car was badly damaged. At this writing, Harold was just shaken up.

I think someone should ask George Kirk about that book he is reading. He might lend it to you.

Dan Foley is still on his diet. Poor Dan, this cold weather does make people so hungry and lettuce isn't very filling.

Bob Elston is using car 311 while Fred Quinn is laid up.

Reita Townsend's son Johnny was married recently at the Grace Methodist Church to the former Sandra Lowe. Very pretty, nervous bride.

Had a card from someone in Aloha, Oregon asking for information on the State of Maine. Didn't know there was an Aloha other than in Hawaii.

Rosemond McIntosh got her driver's license this week, so if anyone sees her driving just give her room.

William Edgecomb, University of Maine Soils Laboratory employee, became permanent in November.

Lake Moores, who was employed in the Springfield area, died of a heart attack while at work on a sand truck.

DIVISION 5—Rockland

Ruth Davenport

District Supervisor Hubert Hubbard recently returned from a hunting trip in Northern Maine.

Engineering Aid III Richard Schofield reported for Uncle Sam on December 10th.

Tar Foreman George Overlock and his wife recently drove to New York to meet their daughter who had just returned from Europe.

Engineer Clarence Ellis has been assigned to the Rockport job on Route 1 and is now working out of this office.

DIVISION 6—Portland

Beverly Reinhard Cox

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Shufflegurb are proud parents of a daughter, Karen Ann, born October 7th.

Mr. and Mrs. Ellsworth Bridges, Jr., announced the birth of a son, Casper Lewis, born October 12th.

Mr. Walter Chute, District Supervisor, became a grandfather for the ninth time December 8th when his daughter-in-law in West Virginia gave birth to a son.

Had there been a pair of roller skates in the office on Friday, December 6th, we're sure Dorothy DeLany would have made use of them. Why? Yours Truly was on her honeymoon, Dorothy Howe had an attack of the flu (American or Asian we're not sure) and Eleanor Campbell had laryngitis.

If things don't arrive in Augusta in the order they should it could be because the office was recently turned up side down hunting for Eleanor Campbell's glasses which were found in her purse several days later. Oh what a red face!

DIVISION 7—Rumford

Kathryn Dickson

Frank M. Landers, Division Engineer, is back to work after a long absence due to illness.

Mrs. Grace Clifford after a summer of assisting the office girls is now one of the night radio operators.

A new member has been added to the Frank Landers' household, an English bull pup.

The office girls enjoyed a Christmas supper at one of the local hotels and then took in a show.

John Robbins' son and family are visiting from Norfolk, Virginia.

Conrad Bellegarde, Motor Transport, has purchased a trailer and moved to Mexico where he has winter work in Clifford's crew.

Arthur Gogan, Engineering Aid, is taking the First Aid Course in Augusta.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Schofield, former Supervisor, recently celebrated their 56th Wedding Anniversary.

Ernest Austin, grade operator in Pendexter's district has transferred to the Portland division.

Ervin (Bud) Maynard, Engineer on the Brownfield project, got his deer the hard way the other night. The pickup was badly damaged.

Maurice and Grace Clifford recently bought a new Spartan trailer; Harold Fortier sub-foreman, bought the Clifford's old trailer; Jimmie Lynn, shovel operator, bought Harold's; and Conrad Bellegarde, Motor Transport man, purchased Jimmie's. Do you follow me?

RECENT CONTRACT AWARDS

NOVEMBER 13, 1957

ROUTE U. S. ALT. 1 — McSHEA CROSSING — FORT FAIRFIELD

F. A. Project No. FG-051-1(6)
J. R. Partridge, Augusta, Maine—\$52,605.00

U. S. ROUTE 1 — ROCKPORT

2,385 Bituminous Concrete Road
F. A. Project No. F-026-2(6)
Thomas DiCenzo, Calais, Maine—\$387,946.00
Clarence Ellis, Resident Engineer

INTERSTATE — BANGOR

2,478 Miles Bituminous Concrete Road and Three Bridges
F. A. Project Nos. I-080-8(2) & I-083-1(1)
J. R. Cianchette, Pittsfield, Maine—\$2,743,282.00
Robert Foster, Resident Engineer, Clarkson Eng. Co.

NOVEMBER 27, 1957

ROUTE 15 — GREENVILLE, HARFORDS POINT, LITTLE SQUAW MOUNTAIN

1,825 Miles Bituminous Gravel Road
F. A. S. Project No. S-0268(1)
Farrin Brothers & Smith, Brighton, Maine—\$184,153.00
Floyd Case, Resident Engineer

ROUTE 157 — MEDWAY

2.90 Miles Bituminous Concrete Road
F. A. S. Project No. S-0315(6)
Forest Frederick, Pittsfield, Maine—\$274,523.00
Stanley Trimm, Resident Engineer

DECEMBER 11, 1957

ROUTE 220 — WALDOBORO

0.966 Mile of Bituminous Gravel Road
F. A. S. Project S-0198(1)
The Bridge Construction Corporation, Augusta, Maine—\$69,203.50
Ralph Stevens, Resident Engineer