ship in the benedicts. Full details in the July issue.

An additional track and platform at our freight house, now in the course of construction, will give this city much needed relief from congestion. The extension of our east yard will also aid materially in yard facilities.

Mrs. D. C. Kreigh, stenographer to W. E. Greene, has resigned to take up new duties of making home sweet home for D. C. Kreigh of the division engineer's office. Miss Thelma Weagley, formerly agent's stenographer, has been transferred to the division offices, filling the vacancy, while Miss Inez Wormington will brighten the agent's office with her presence as stenographer.

EMPORIA

(W. J. Turner, care superintendent)

Bert H. Smith, division lineman, is sporting a new Dodge Brothers sedan.

S. Patterson, for a number of years trainmaster on the Eastern Division, has been transferred to Marceline, Mo. B. R. Swords succeeds him here.

F. W. Hanson has resigned from division accountant's office and has gone into the tire and battery business. We wish him much success in his business venture.

Mrs. E. C. Hubble, wife of our B. and B. foreman, died suddenly while visiting in Houston, Tex. Besides Mr. Hubble, she is survived by two sons and three daughters, who have the heartfelt sympathy of a host of friends.

GAINESVILLE (W. B. Cullen, P. 0. Box 27)

Crop conditions in Cooke County are very prpmising, and the prospects are very good for laite yields. Wheat and oats are making excellent progress.

Mrs. L. F. Gray, wife of Conductor Gray, sustained a fractured right arm as a result of an automobile accident that occurred at the entrance of Fairview cemetery while she was attending the funeral of Mrs. Mary E. Crimm. Mrs. Gray is reported to be improving.

Mrs. Gray is reported to be improving. Mrs. R. S. Brazelton, wife of our chief clerk. attended the Southern Baptist convention in Kansas City, Mo., as a delegate from Gainesville. She was joined at Ardmore, Okla., by her sister, Mrs. M. W. Wallis, who was a delegate from Ardmore.

The regular bi-monthly meeting of the safety committee was held on May 11, Chairman D. W. Nettleton and Secretary R. S. Brazelton presiding. Topics of interest were discussed, after which A. E. Hutchinson, safety inspector, addressed the meeting, taking for his subject the closer cooperation of all employes in the safety work.

It is with sincere regret we report the death of Mrs. Mary E. Crimm, which occurred recently at the home of her daughter in Sulphur, Okla. Mrs. Grimm was the mother-inlaw of Engineer Laughlin, and was for many years a resident of Gainesville. She recently moved to Sulphur, where Mr. Laughlin had been transferred. We extend our sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Laughlin in their sorrow.

Rumors are current that at an early date our present stock pen will be razed in order to rebuild and enlarge the facilities for the use of live stock shippers. The capacity of the present pen is twenty-seven cars. The new pen will be strictly modern and will be sufficient to feed and care **for sixty** cars of stock. This is in line with the general building boom now in **progress here**, and **again** proves that the Santa **Fe is ever ready** to meet the demands for improvements.

KANSAS CITY (C. W. Magee, care agent)

Will someone please tell our fisherman where and how to catch real fish?

The docks or runway between the tracks at the out-bound freight house have been **covered** with sheets of all steel, which **make** a good smooth floor and it sure ought to wear a long time.

The bunch in the 0. S. & D. office in the freight house is learning to pitch **horseshoes**, and you "auto" hear little Albert **boast of** his great work. Yes, sir, he almost made a ringer — almost.

Ralph J. Lowry is now on the last lap of his course at the Kansas City-Western Dental College. Ralph was one of the boys who "went over" with Company F, the Santa Fe's unit in the Thirteenth Engineers.

There is not another place like Kansas City, for railroads, street cars (Yes, we have a few), graft, hills, conventions and picnics. We have the honor of being the Gateway to **the** West, and being in the heart of America, that is something to be proud of.

The Kansas City Division is sure busy these days, and our freight house is humming. The local office is still on the map; we are going to have a new 'phone system of the automatic type. We are putting up the awnings and screens—that is, what few screens we have.

The bill desk had lots of fun this month, and the way some of them can figure the time of trains between Los Angeles and Kansas City is a marvel. They all agreed, **though**, that he would arrive the morning of **May** 17. and sure enough Lloyd Sharp, bill clerk, did arrive right out of the sunny south, straw hat and everything.

LAWRENCE

(J. E. Frye, care agent)

Ike Venerable, station porter and baggage helper, has resigned and gone with the Cloud Baggage Company.

Mr. Newton, former agent at Lowemont, Kan.. bid in the night clerkship in the freight office. and has taken up his new duties.

office. and has taken up his new duties. "Bob" and "Jack" Evans, young sons of K. C. (Casey) Evans, are going in for theatricals rather young, both appearing in the Rotary minstrels. Keep it up "Jack," that's how Coogan got his start.

Mrs. Guy Ratliff (Jessie Gauck) has given up the management of the Harvey stand and gone to the farm. The boys are looking for an invitation to a real country chicken fry one of these days. Mrs. Emil Gauck is now manager of the newsstand.

John Crow, who has been connected with the Santa Fe electrical department for twenty-two years, has gone into the cab and baggage business. Mr. Crow has installed a fleet of yellow cabs that give promise of cornering the taxi business. When in Lawrence, remember John and climb into one of his cabs.

W. H. (Doc) McConnell, who has been in charge of the Lawrence ticket office as **head** ticket clerk for the past five years, has **been** transferred to the city ticket office in Tulsa, **Okla**. Mr. McConnell is a Lawrence **product**, **and is a**