

Succeeds Husband As Plymouth Station Agent

PLYMOUTH Mrs. Edith White literally stepped into her husband Robert's shoes recently when she came to Plymouth as the C & O Railroad's station agent. The Whites hail from St. Joseph, Mich., but Robert White has been in Plymouth for one year in the position his wife now holds.

"I would see him only on weekends," she said, "and that was hard."

Now that her husband has

moved to the Wiscom station as agent, and she has applied for and received his old job, the Whites are preparing to move to the area.

The move from St. Joseph was admittedly a hard one for Mrs. White, who was an active club woman, had many friends there, and "knew every nook, cranny and stick of furniture in the St. Joseph station."

"It is a big, beautiful station," she said and her eyes sparkled as she told of its size,

"a third larger than Plymouth's," and the canopy went from depot to tracks.

MRS. WHITE graduated from Howard City High School in Connersville but thinks of St. Joseph as home. She attended college in Grand Rapids and worked there as a stenographer for a tile company, the only non-railroad job she's ever had.

She started in the railroad business when it was rare to find a woman anywhere in the noisy world of cinders, switches and freight trains.

"The railroad business is something you have to learn and during the first few years, it's sink or swim. You really get tossed around," she said.

Even though more women are now working in this field, Mrs. White's new position is still one that is held by few women.

"I don't think there are more than four or five women station agents in the state," she said.

She has enjoyed 21 years of railroad work. The award she received as chairman of the Better Service Conference for more than doubling attendance at its meetings is a high point in her career.

Another is the president's pin she wears as immediate past president of the Altrusa Club, a service organization that she compares to Rotary and one that is for executive-level women.

She will miss this club and another called the "Y's Lensers."

It's a camera club and the name is sort of a take-off on the YWCA where we held our meetings," she said.

Mrs. White is a charter member of the Lensers and thinks it would be fun to start one here.

"We met twice a month and were given picture assign-

ments. The slides would be judged by three people from other camera clubs and first, second and third prizes were given."

One of Mrs. White's slides of a northern Michigan scene has been printed in the national YWCA magazine.

MRS. WHITE HAD been in Plymouth three days when she toured the area with another C&O employee and visited the local industries that she will be working with in the future. She found the area "interesting."

"Plymouth is busier and more hectic than St. Joe," she said and admits that the city is not alone in its problem of long freight trains that block traffic and fray the tempers of waiting motorists.

"We had the same problem in St. Joe and Benton Harbor," she said.

The Whites have two children. Their daughter, Lynn, married a man with the same last name—Jerry White.

Mrs. White smiles as she tells of the resulting confusion for her grandchildren.

"They can't say Grandpa White or Grandma White, because we're all named White," she said.

The White's son, Robert, lives in Fullerton, Calif.

MRS. WHITE admits that she enjoys riding the trains and has traveled west on one and took the train quite regularly to Chicago, where she could shop for dress goods at Marshall Field & Co.

"I suppose I'll take the train to Detroit, now that I'm here," she said.

She didn't mention southbound trains to St. Joseph, but she'll undoubtedly find time for those too.



TRAIN LADY -- Mrs. Edith White, Plymouth's new station agent looks over freight trains (server photo)

Summertime Care Urged On Highways

Secretary of State James M. Hare today directed an appeal at both motorists and parents to remember that the summer vacation for Michigan school children is under way.

Calling on motorists to be watchful for youngsters at play during this summer, Hare outlined where a driver must be especially alert:

- at playgrounds;
- in residential areas;
- near parked cars along the street;
- where a loose ball may sud-

denly bounce into the street. HARE ADDED that the entire safety responsibility does not rest with the driver.

"Parents must impress upon their children the cardinal rule of safety -- don't go into the street without first looking both ways," said Hare, chairman of the Michigan State Safety Commission.

"Children should be instructed never to dash into the street to recover a lost ball; never to run from between parked cars, and to cross streets only at intersections."

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Courts Hold X Way Arbitration Legal, Frank Kelley Says

By ATTY. GEN. FRANK J. KELLEY

(This is a public service article explaining in general terms a provision of Michigan law. Individuals who wish to determine the effect of any law upon their private legal affairs should consult a private attorney.)

The various condemnation laws in Michigan provide that before any property can be appropriated for the opening of a new highway or freeway through any city or village, the city or village council must consent to the location of the highway and agree to have it designated as a state trunk line highway.

In a few instances where a proposed freeway passed through several small cities and villages, particularly in south Oakland County, the cities and villages were unable to agree among themselves or with the State Highway Commission as to the location of the route. When this occurred, the state was unable to proceed with construction of the freeway.

The problem became so severe that the legislature passed a new law in the 1967 Extra Session, designated as Public Act No. 12, which provides for compulsory arbitration of freeway routes.

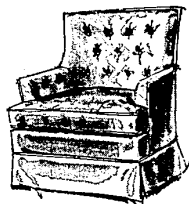
UNDER THIS procedure, the governor, in conjunction with the affected municipalities, selects a three-man arbitration board. This board, in turn, holds a series of public hearings at which any interested municipality or individual citizen may appear and give evidence concerning the desirability of the various routes under consideration.

The arbitration board must complete its hearings and make its selection of a route within 60 days. The decision of the board as to a route and its designation as a state trunk line highway is final and binding on all parties.

The constitutionality of this new statute has been questioned by several municipalities and citizens groups in three separate lawsuits.

The Oakland County Circuit Court and the Michigan Supreme Court have ruled, however, that this law does not violate either the United States Constitution or the Michigan Constitution, and is a valid exercise of the legislative power.

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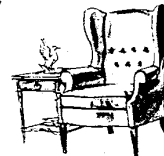


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