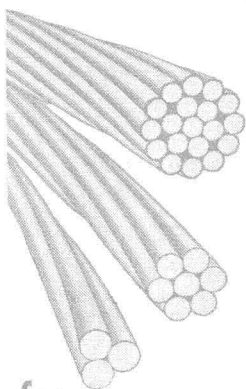




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C. O. Ellis, superintendent of communications, Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific, and R. A. Hendrie, general superintendent of communications, Missouri Pacific, have been elected chairman and vice-chairman, respectively, by the Committee of Direction of the Communications Section, A.A.R., for terms expiring Dec. 31, 1954.

H. G. Morgan, signal engineer for the Illinois Central, has retired from this position as of February 1. Born in Huntington, Ind., in 1883, Mr. Morgan was educated at Purdue University and received a degree in electrical engineering in 1904. He entered the service of the Illinois Central in 1907 as a draftsman in the signal



H. G. Morgan

department, remaining until 1909 when he joined the Chicago & North Western as chief draftsman in the signal department. In 1910 he became assistant engineer with the General Railway Signal Company. He returned to the Illinois Central in 1913 as office engineer in the signal department, and in 1914 was transferred to the valuation department as pilot signal engineer, later returning to the signal department as office engineer. Mr. Morgan was appointed signal engineer in 1920, the position he has held since that time. He was chairman of the Signal Section, A.A.R., in 1934.

T. B. Thompson, assistant signal engineer for the Illinois Central, has been appointed signal engineer, succeeding H. G. Morgan, who has retired. Mr. Thompson was graduated from the Southern Illinois University at Carbondale in 1931, and in 1938 secured a masters degree at the University of Illinois. In 1940 he completed an additional year of study in the school of electrical engineering at the University

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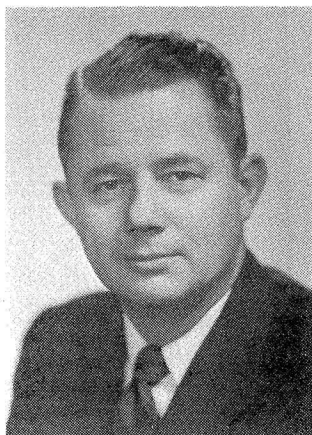


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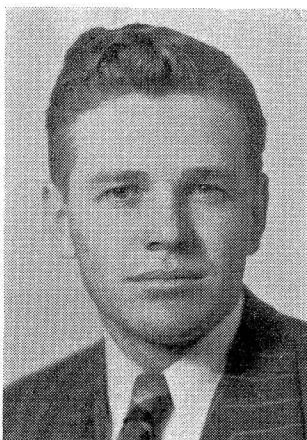
Illinois. Starting in 1928 he worked during summer months for the Illinois Central as a signal helper, and in 1939 became employed in the same capacity, being promoted to wireman in 1940 and to drafts-



T. B. Thompson

men in the signal engineer's office in 1941. In 1942 he was assigned as chief operator of the rail detector car, and in 1945 was promoted to supervisor of the system rail detector cars. Mr. Thompson was promoted to special engineer, signal department, in 1946 and in 1950 was named assistant signal engineer, the position he held at the time of his recent promotion.


George Pipas, field signal engineer for the Illinois Central at Memphis, Tenn., has been appointed special engineer in the signal department at the same point. After being graduated from the University of Illinois in 1946, he joined the IC in the



George Pipas

signal department. He was appointed assistant signal supervisor at Paducah, Ky., in 1947 and in 1947 was promoted to assistant engineer at Memphis. He became field signal engineer in 1951 and served in that capacity until the present appointment.

The Western Pacific has changed the name of its telegraph department to communications department. N. W. Menzies, superintendent of telegraph, has been given the title of superintendent of communications. J. C. Cotter, wire chief, has



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