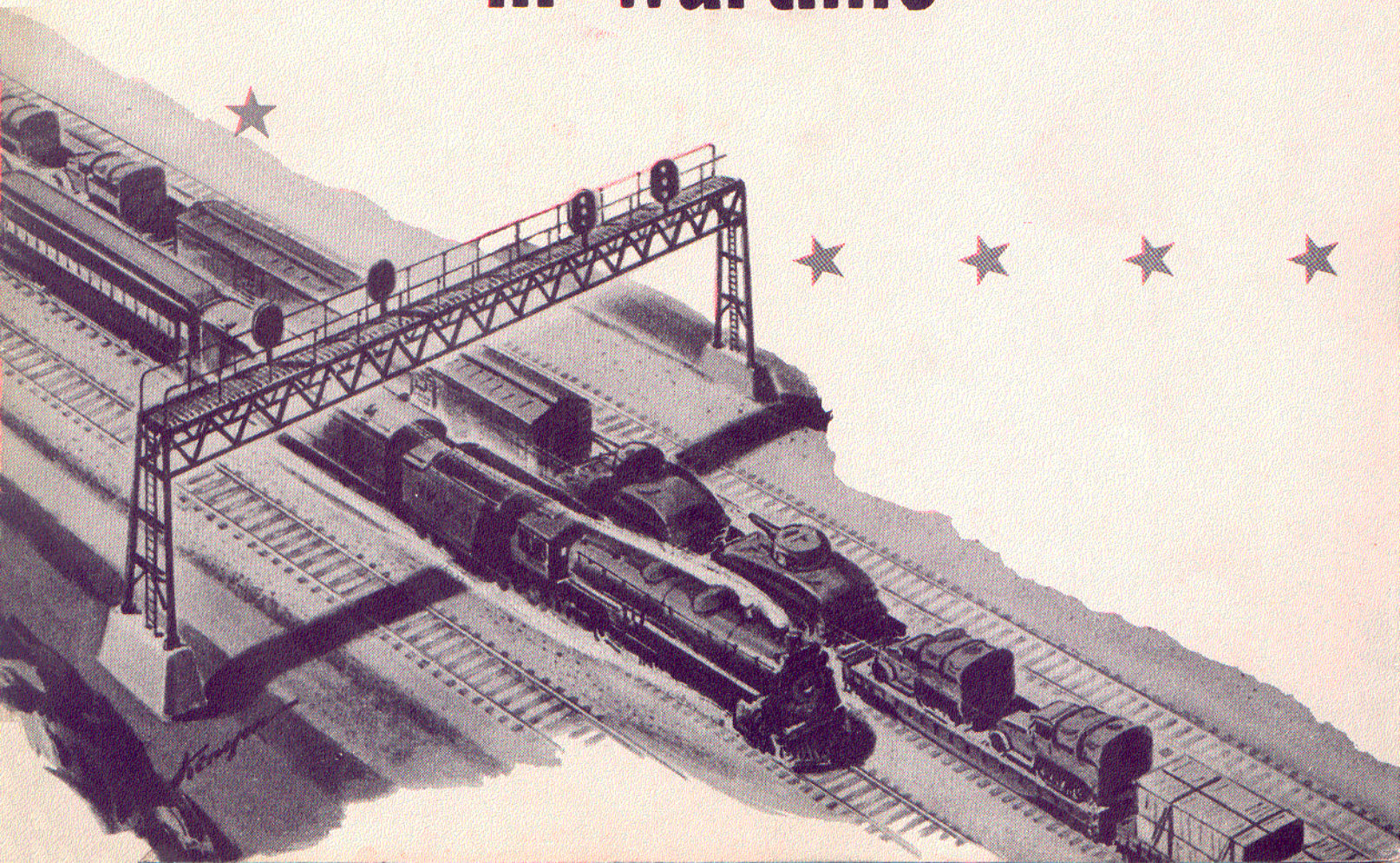


**The
Lackawanna
Railroad
in wartime**



The Road of Anthracite

The Route of Phoebe Snow

To Our Friends and Patrons:

Reproduced on the following pages is a series of messages in which the Lackawanna tells the public how the railroads are moving a nation at war. Taken singly, these messages speak for themselves quite eloquently. Taken together, they form the dramatic record of a history-making transportation triumph.

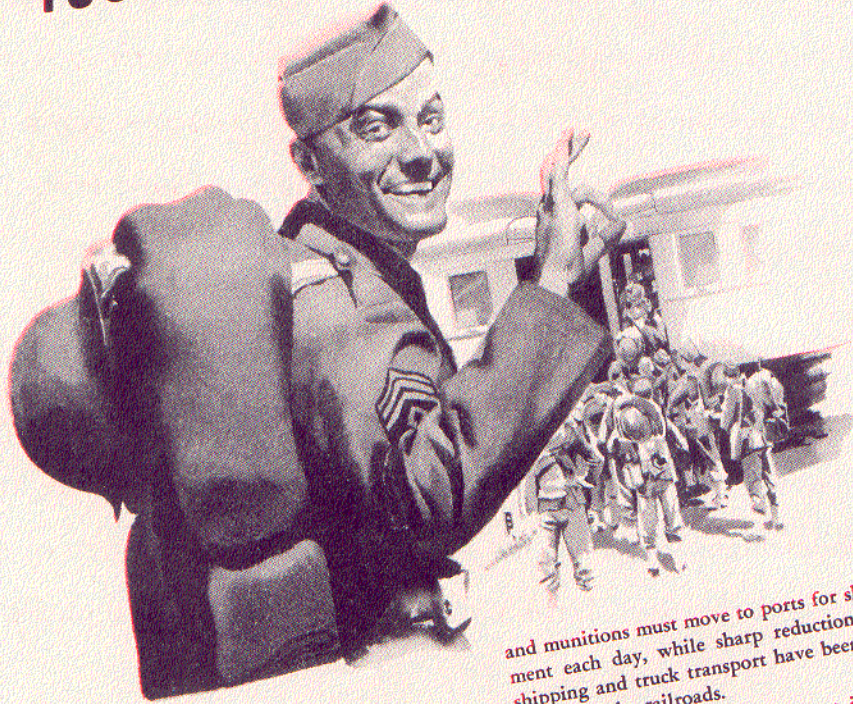
They tell how the unbelievable job of military movement is being done . . . how the added burdens of transportation for the home front have been absorbed . . . and how efficient equipment, men and operation, aided by the whole-hearted cooperation of the public and shippers, have made these achievements possible.

The Lackawanna is proud to give voice to these accomplishments, because it is so much a part of them . . . because it is devoting its every resource to the welfare of America—at war and at home. It is proud to be One of America's Railroads—*All United for Victory.*

WM. WHITE

President

How far is 700 MILLION soldier-miles?



... about **28,000 times the distance** around the world . . . that's approximately what our soldiers cover by rail *every month* . . . not counting the additional millions of miles they ride on furlough.

It is more than three times the rate of troop travel in the last war.

Our fast-growing army is only one reason for all this movement.

Another is the fact that soldiers today move by train an average of *six times* between induction and embarkation as against only *three times* in the last war.

Troop movements are being handled by America's railroads without congestion or delay, even though other transportation burdens have increased at a staggering rate. Many thousand cars of foodstuffs, ordnance

and munitions must move to ports for shipment each day, while sharp reductions in shipping and truck transport have been absorbed by the railroads.

Such an incredible accomplishment is due not only to more efficient equipment and operation . . . but also to the close cooperation among railroads, the armed forces, shippers and the public. The railroads, today, are getting *everything they can out of every piece of equipment they own.*

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The Lackawanna Railroad is proud of the part it is playing in the great drive of America's railroads for Victory.

Marching right behind the armed forces are the thousands of Lackawanna employees . . . loyal Americans all . . . who are putting their best into the Nation's biggest job of moving men, materials and supplies speedily and punctually.

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A series of inspirational messages published as newspaper advertisements to inform the public of a railroad's significance to our Nation at war.



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As vital to Victory as the fighters they serve...



This, more than any other war in history, is a war of movement . . . and America's railroads are the basic measure of our capacity for the swift, efficient movement of men and materials so necessary to win battles . . . and final victory.

We have well over twice as much track and twice as many freight cars as all the Axis powers combined. Our freight cars carry two to three times as much as theirs. Our locomotives, with far more power, pull longer trains at higher speeds.

Yes, we've got *more* and *better* equipment . . . thanks to over 11 billions spent by the railroads since 1920. And we're getting maximum service out of every piece of that equipment . . . thanks to twenty years of careful planning and organization *plus* all-out cooperation among railroads, government, shippers, receivers and the public.

That's why the railroads are meeting the tremendous demands of the nation's total war effort without confusion or delay. *Every five seconds* a freight train starts its run and a passenger train leaves its terminal. *Every minute*, a million and a quarter tons of freight are hauled one mile. On fighting front, production front, training front and home front, America's railroads are as vital to victory as the fighters they serve.

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Every Lackawanna man is doing his full share, and then some, in this "Vital to Victory" effort. The load will get tougher . . . the way may be long...but these are railroad men doing the job and the job will be done.

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**"Ach-those Americans...
lies... lies... nothing but lies!"**

It must seem utterly fantastic to our enemies... the job our American railroads are doing. And small wonder... for details of this history-making transportation triumph cause even Americans to gasp a little and say, "the story is incredible!"

Today, the railroads are handling about one and one-half times *more* freight transportation than they did in the last war... and they're doing it with 500,000 *fewer* freight cars and 20,000 *fewer* locomotives.

Lines behind the lines!

Military freight shipments average five to six times those made in the first World War. *Every day*, the railroads are delivering some 12,500 *carloads* of supplies to meet the needs of our armed forces and our Allies, here and abroad. Troops are moving at the rate of 700 million passenger-miles per month... two-thirds of them in Pullmans.

At the same time the railroads have taken on the terrific *extra burdens* brought on by drastic reductions in transport by ocean ves-

sels and trucks... for example, they're hauling 60 to 70 times as much oil to the East as they did before we entered the war.

Teamwork does the job!

Much of the credit for these achievements must go to the American public. Shippers and receivers are cooperating splendidly with the railroads to expedite the movement of freight.

Travelers, too, are doing their part by eliminating non-essential trips, making reservations well in advance, and accepting with patience and good nature every sacrifice in service, convenience and comfort they are asked to make. They are doing a great job in helping the railroads to "keep 'em moving."


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The vast army of Lackawanna employees, like all patriotic Americans, take pride in giving their best to their jobs... proving their loyalty with all-out service in the nation's total war effort.

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Come hell or high water...
Convoys Can't Wait!

On battle fronts all over the world America's fighting men and their allies are at death grips with the enemy. They must be supplied. They *must* be reinforced. They *can't* wait. That's why *convoys* can't wait . . . why every ship must be full-laden and in its proper place in line when the convoy gets under way.

There can be no "bottlenecks" at the ports. To join their convoys on schedule, merchant ships must be loaded with speed and precision. That means the railroads must move, *every day*, some 3,000 cars of freight and 1,000 or more cars of foodstuffs into the ports for shipment.

But remember, freight shipments to the ports are *finished products*. Millions of tons of *raw materials* must also be moved on schedule to the places where they are to be converted into finished products of war. At the same time troops are being moved on

a scale three to four times greater than during the last war . . . and the railroads must deliver *every day* over 8,500 carloads of materials, supplies and ordnance for our armed forces at home.

Indispensable to the nation's all-out war effort, America's railroads are handling all the enormous *extra* demands of war production and war shipments . . . absorbing the *added* burdens created by greatly reduced coastal shipping and truck transport . . . meeting *all* the needs of the Fighting Fronts and the Home Front and *meeting them on time*.

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The Lackawanna with its major rail and marine terminals serving the greatest Atlantic port is an important factor in our wartime transportation system. Lackawanna workers realize their responsibilities in these critical times. They're doing their utmost to keep men and materials moving and on time. They know the convoys can't wait.

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Food and fuel... and freedom from fear!



WE AMERICANS call it our birthright. The right of our children to have everything they need to grow strong in body and mind. The right of our families to live in healthy, heated homes. The right of mothers and fathers to smile, confident of the future, free from the fear of want and oppression. These are the rights we *NOW* have . . . the rights we will *continue* to hold no matter what other sacrifices must be made to win the war.

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To maintain these rights and keep our Home Front strong, America's railroads will continue to devote their efforts and resources. In spite of the tremendous added burdens of wartime, the Home Front will be supplied as completely as possible, while the millions of men in camps throughout the land are fed, clothed, equipped and moved.

All-out cooperation among railroads, shippers and the government, has enabled the railroads to do vastly more work than in the last war and do it without confusion or delay . . . to take care of military freight shipments five to six times larger . . . troop movements that have more than tripled . . . absorb the added burdens brought on by greatly reduced coastal shipping and truck transport . . . and still supply the Home Front with food and fuel so vital to freedom from fear.

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The Lackawanna is playing a loyal and efficient part in this service rendered by the American railroads. In addition to all other traffic, thousands of coal cars are being loaded and dispatched to vital centers direct from the great anthracite coal fields that lie along its lines, thus helping to "keep the home fires burning" in this almost incredible speed-up of essential wartime transportation.

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**"and tell him what were doing,
too... to help..."**



Good advice from Dad . . . that boy of theirs will fight better knowing the folks back home are doing all they can to help. Of course, Dad doesn't expect any special credit for the fact that *he's* working harder than ever. He'd say he was just doing his job . . . *railroad men are like that.*

But he's *on that job* in fair weather or foul . . . one of the hard-muscled, capable army that keeps the trains moving all over the country . . . maintaining the vital traffic without which we could not win on fighting front, production front, or home front.

They're moving troops, tanks, guns and planes in ever-increasing numbers . . . in spite of the fact that their ranks are thinned by enlistments and by the draft.

Yes, America's railroad workers are doing their jobs . . . and a lot more besides.

They were among the first to adopt regular payroll deductions to buy War Bonds. They're giving generously of their time and energy to Civilian Defense work. They're consistent collectors of scrap and rubber. They and their families are cheerfully doing without many things . . . making the things they've got last longer.

And no matter how bitter or how long the war, America's railroad men and women are grimly determined to keep right on giving their best until Victory is won.

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On or off the job, the Lackawanna Railroad's patriotic workers are doing their share in America's drive for Victory. They're proud of the way the Lackawanna is meeting its wartime responsibilities.

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This, too, is America's Strength...

It's bitter cold on the station platform. The stinging snow drives hard as the morning express comes steaming down the line. She's thirty minutes late today, delayed because troop trains had to be moved over the same line . . . and moved quickly.

In *peacetime*, snow or no snow, you folks who ride the trains would complain loudly and bitterly over such an "outrage." You'd cuss, fuss, splutter and threaten . . . you're like that. You'd expect the kind of dependable service the railroads are famous for . . . the kind you've always been used to . . . the kind we so gladly give you.

But, *today*, you're different. You're not complaining over delays and other travel incon-

veniences. You know *you're in a war* . . . and you've got what it takes to win.

Yes, you're taking the hardships and sacrifices with patience and understanding . . . proving in a hundred ways your right to the human independence and freedom for which we are all fighting.

This, too, is our American strength . . . the stuff victory is made of!

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You are the people we are so proud to serve, and serve you we will to the limit of our abilities. We know you'll go on being patient and cooperative because that's the way you are. That's the way of America!

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What's **YOUR** Score . . .

on these simple questions of good travel manners

Always important, good train manners are especially helpful today when all-out war tests our facilities to the utmost. So, for better railroad service, for your own sake and that of your fellow-travelers, how do you rate on these points of etiquette?



ARE YOU A SEAT-HOG? Seat "hogging" is bad anytime but it's especially undesirable, today, when *all* train room is so precious. Don't "spread out". Don't travel with more luggage than you actually need. Be considerate of others.



ARE YOU A "DINER DAWDLER"? These days diners are crowded. Once your meal is finished—don't linger over coffee and a smoke—leave your seat promptly. Remember, boys in our armed services may be among those waiting for your seat.



ARE YOU A "PHONE-ONLY"? It may not always be convenient . . . or even possible . . . to get the railroad line you want by telephone. Please try to keep the timetables you need in your home or office—and use them instead of the 'phone.

Thanks for your fine
COOPERATION
You can help yourself and Uncle Sam if you :

- ★ Make Pullman reservations well in advance and cancel them promptly should you change your plans.
- ★ Plan your trips early and buy tickets as soon as you can.
- ★ Travel light. Don't carry more baggage than necessary.
- ★ Schedule your trips for the middle of the week instead of week-ends—mid-week travel is less crowded, more comfortable.

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THROUGH TICKET for your boy...

Maybe your boy is one of the more than two million who travel by rail every month under official orders... maybe he's one of the additional millions who travel on furlough.

Maybe, too, he's one of those who makes a "long haul"... two, three, four or even more days on the train... moving from camp to camp or from camp to embarkation point.

If he's like most soldiers... and most other people, too... he'll get a real kick out of such a trip. He'll eat well... sleep well... relax... have fun.

One of the most pleasant features of such a journey is the simple fact that he may travel over *many different railroad lines*

getting to his final destination but never leave the car in which he entrained.

He moves along with steady speed, comfort and safety from one railroad line to another. There's no confusion or delay. That's the way America's railroads work together in peace as well as in war.

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Yes, your soldier boy's "through ticket," like that of the paying passenger, affords him all the advantages of the *complete co-operation* among the railroads and the government... gives him everything the railroads have learned in their long experience of *servicing the public*.

And considering the job he's tackling for us... even that, our very best, is little enough.

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What's behind Bill's grin?

BEING an American mostly. Ask him what that stands for and Bill wouldn't give you any Fourth of July oration. But he'd tell you, proudly, "I got a fine job, with good wages and a chance to get ahead. My home is my own . . . and nobody comes busting in unless I ask him. My kids can get an education without being filled full of bunk. I can listen to what I want to on the radio . . . and I can go to church when the spirit moves me, which happens pretty often. I'm an American, see . . . a free man."

No, not very eloquent. Just homely and simple . . . and terribly profound.

Bill's happy, too . . . doing the kind of

work he wants most to do . . . using all his strength and skill and experience to serve his country and the railroads in the repair of *virtually irreplaceable equipment*.

There are thousands of Bills . . . in locomotive shops, repairing giant Pocono engines . . . in car shops, keeping the rolling stock as good as new . . . in freight terminals and yards, making up and inspecting trains loaded with foodstuffs, oil, tanks, engines and other vital war materials . . . in a thousand different jobs, accepting responsibility for the lives, the safety, the welfare of millions.

Thanks to the American way of *building and cooperating*, the railroads are meeting the transportation demand in this war of gigantic movement. And with the continued all-out efforts of over a million loyal, patriotic American workers, the railroads will *keep right on—keeping 'em rolling*.

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