

May 3, 1948

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Mr. W. R. Manion  
4016 Park Avenue  
Minneapolis, Minnesota

Dear Mr. Manion:

Here is a brief resume of some of the remarks  
I gave at the banquet. I hope this is satisfactory.

Sincerely yours,

Hubert H. Humphrey  
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Enc.

RESUME OF REMARKS BY MAYOR HUBERT H. HUMPHREY  
ANNUAL BANQUET OF BROTHERHOOD OF RAILROAD TRAINMEN, LODGE #625  
APRIL 25, 1948

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No single group of people in American life has done more to aid the development of our political and economic institutions than those persons who have manned our railroads.

Our United States of America would not have been possible without rail transportation. Our victories in two world wars could not have been achieved had our railroad system broken down. The loyalty of the men who operate our railroads made possible the performance of an almost impossible task of moving the men and goods which were necessary to achieve our victory in World War I and World War II.

This great economy of ours of mass production and the distribution of our goods and services to our millions of consumers is dependent upon the rail transportation facilities. The members of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, along with the other railroad workers, guarantee to the American people that the products of our industry, farms, mines, and forests will be brought to the consumer in a never ending flow.

It is particularly significant that in this post war era our struggle for a better world is often symbolized by the use of the term "train".

Only recently America demonstrated her generosity by the Friendship Train. Gifts from all over America were loaded on to a great caravan and were shipped to Europe. The railroads of America carried that expression of our generosity and of our humanitarian interest in the welfare of other people.

The symbols of our liberty and freedom are today being transported throughout this nation upon that great train known as "Freedom Train." Here again railroading carries the message of America and brings to our people a spirit of rededication to the principles upon which this nation was founded and has grown great and strong. All of this must bring great cheer to railroad workers because it is through organizations like the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen that these achievements are possible.

The Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen is a powerful labor organization. Not only has it given security to its own membership, but it has made great contributions to the security of our nation. America is proud of her railroad men. America knows that those persons who man her railroads are devoted loyal citizens. They have pride in their work. They realize their great responsibility to this nation. They have never been found wanting in our hours of distress.

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Mr. Manion (4216 Park Avenue - RE 0230) phoned George and asked for a resume of your talk last night. The BRT would like it for their national publication.

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March 31, 1948

*Sp 7  
April 25  
5:30 p.m.*

Mr. C. A. Benson, Secretary  
Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen  
Lodge 625  
3319 West 46th Street  
Minneapolis, Minnesota

Dear Mr. Benson:

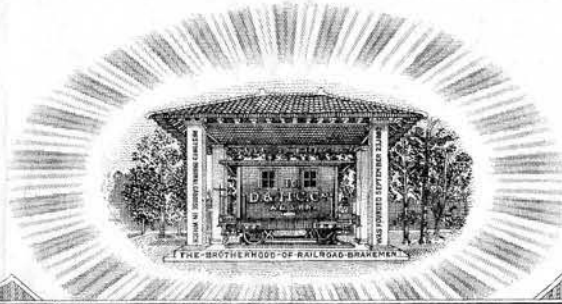
Mayor Humphrey has asked me to reply to your letter of March 9 inviting him to attend the dinner observing the 46th Anniversary of Lodge 625 of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen on April 25.

He will be happy to join with you on this occasion. He will plan to meet with you at the Knights of Columbus Hall at 5:30 that evening.

Sincerely yours,

William C. Simms  
Assistant to the Mayor

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# BROTHERHOOD of RAILROAD TRAINMEN

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MAYOR'S OFFICE

Lodge N<sup>o</sup>Minneapolis, Minn.  
March 9, 1948

Hon. Hubert H. Humphrey  
Mayor of the City of Minneapolis  
Minneapolis, Minnesota.

My dear Mayor Humphrey:

You are cordially invited to attend a dinner observing the 46th Anniversary of Lodge 625 of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, April 25, 1948.

Dinner will be served at 5:30 P.M., Knights of Columbus Hall, 602 Hennepin Avenue, Minneapolis, Minn.

April 25, Sunday

Open

Respectfully yours,

B. A. Benson

Secretary, Lodge 625  
3319 W 46 St.  
Minneapolis, Minn.

Two young dolls  
Mr. Kennedy &

Mr. Manion &

Mr. Bagnell &

Mr. Stafford.

Grade Separations  
Mr. Palmquist - Late

Notes - Had Schaffner  
& Mary.

46th anniversary -

Lodge 625 B.R.T

Friendship here.

Mr. A. F. Whitney - Birthday -

V Railroad in History of U.S.!!

\* Freedom Train -

\* Dedication Week - Starts Monday

\* Friendship Train -

organized Labor  
in America

War - & Peace  
Transportation

Labor on train

milk

Trucks

shops

work for America

not

what a heck of a way to Run a  
Railroad.

Train of tomorrow





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