

Basic Detail Report



Title Railroad Clerk Sigurd J. Ekwall

Date mid 20th-late 20th century

Primary Maker Ted Kosinski

Medium Photography; gelatin silver prints on paper, color photographs on paper

Description Railroad clerk Sigurd Ekwall, an elderly man wearing eyeglasses, and a lab coat over a white shirt and necktie, is shown at work at the railroad information booth in Union Station, Hartford. An overhead sign indicates the schedule for trains to and from New York, Springfield, and Boston. One sign

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shows "ALL TRAINS DELAYED" "THREATENED STRIKE POSTPONED FIVE DAYS -

ALL TRAINS DELAYED"; others show trains running "ON TIME" or with short

delays. Additional signs indicate "Eastern / Standard Time" or "DAYLIGHT

SAVINGS". In some photographs, men women, and children crowd around the

information booth. In others, Ekwall is shown with the actress Una Merkel and

with two young women with name tags that read "GIRLS NATION." Some

passengers carry suitcases. In one photograph, baggage handlers load trunks

and suitcases into a freight car. Other photographs show Ekwall with his sister

and with his wife Florida, whom he married late in life. They are shown dancing

and embarking on a cruise beneath a sign that reads "Welcome Aboard."

Dimensions Primary Dimensions (image height x width): 9 x 8in. (22.9 x 20.3cm)

or smaller Sheet (height x width): 9 1/8 x 8 3/16in. (23.2 x 20.8cm) or smaller