# TERMINAL RAILROAD ASSOCIATION OF SAINT LOUIS PURINA MILLS JOB

## CHECKERBOARD SQUARE, LASALLE PARK, CITY OF ST. LOUIS



## **HISTORY**

Since 1889, the Terminal Railroad Association of St. Louis has played a vital role in the railroad operations and growth of the St. Louis metropolitan area. Today, the Company's rail switching yard in Madison, Illinois, is the largest such facility in the region and is the heart of the Company's operations. Approximately 30,000 cars pass through the Company's switching facility on a monthly basis and are redirected to other destinations. The switching yard consists of eighty in-bound, out-bound, and holding tracks with a capacity of 2,200 cars at any one time. The Company operates 30 locomotives to move cars around the yard, deliver cars to local industries, and ready trains for departure.

In the nineteen-seventies, the TRRA switched the St. Louis Purina Mills plant. The Frisco made an average of eight deliveries per 24 hour period to the TRRA at Ewing Avenue for delivery by them to other railroads and industries.

#### **RESPONSIBILITIES**

Pilot train (TRPM) from Madison Yard (north staging) to the LaSalle Park neighborhood to work the Purina Mills plant. You may exchange a few cars at Lindenwood Yard on your way to LaSalle. At LaSalle, a crew of 2 operators is needed to work Purina. The second crew member will join you at Purina, and serve as conductor for your train. Once work at Purina is finished, the second crew member returns to other duties in the LaSalle area, while you pilot the train back to Madison Yard.

#### TYPICAL WORK

- Exchanging cars and making interplant moves at the Purina Mills plant.
- Exchanging cars at Lindenwood Yard.

