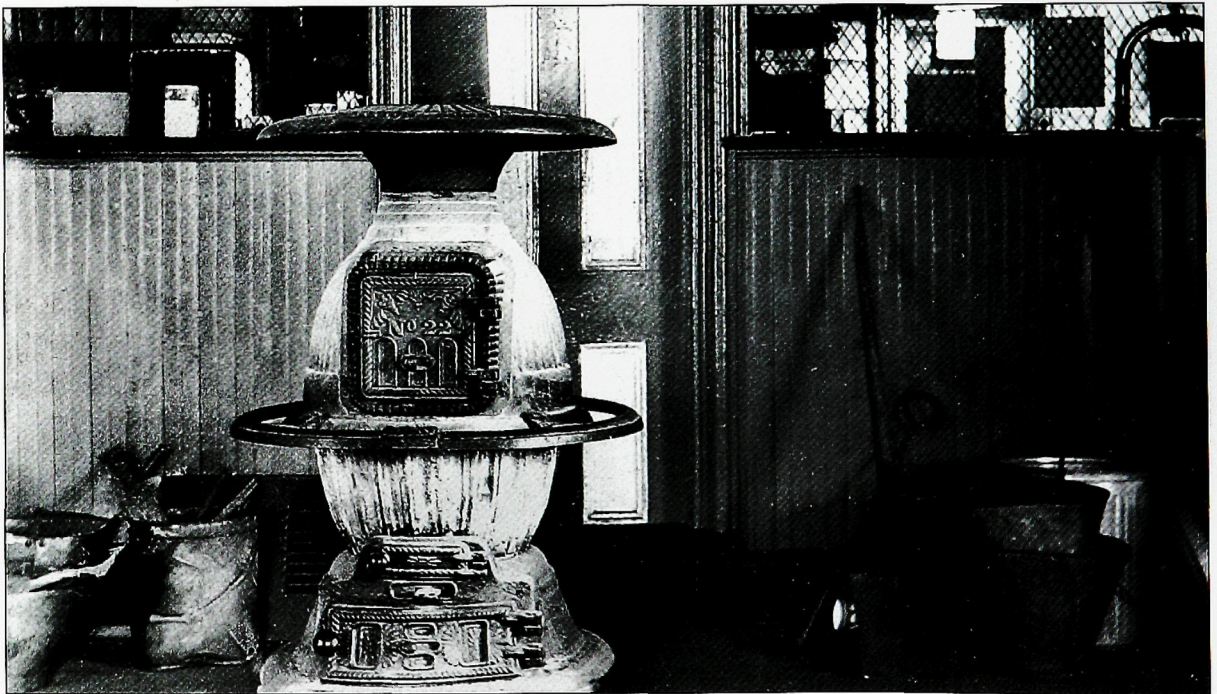




**THE TICKET AGENT.** Mike Ruschetta is at work in the ticket office in the early 1950s. By that time, the telephone had long since replaced the telegraph as the Central Railroad's principle means of communication.



**STAYING WARM.** The potbelly stove provided heat for passengers in the main station waiting room. The metal scuttle for the coal supply, buckets for the coal ashes, and a poker are nearby. The two original potbelly stoves are preserved and housed in the historic railroad station, which now serves Fanwood as a community meeting room and a studio for municipal TV Channel 35.