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LIFE IN LOCAL YARDS SHOWS INCREASE IN BUSINESS

Great Vigilance Exercised in Keeping the Road Clear of Snow.

The local railroad yards and the condition of things in general in the roundhouse, rip tracks and shops supplies a very fair and accurate barometer of the recent revival of business over this section of the O. W. R. & N. In the blacksmith shop nearly all the forges are ablaze and the steam hammer is doing the old time two-step with fair regularity. In the shops practically all the every day machines are manned and kept running. It is the same way in all the railroad repairing departments. The shop and yard force is now nearly up to the maximum of the flush times and none of the mechanics or other employes need take a lay-off, unless on account of sickness or through voluntary choice.

One of the most noticeable differences between the present time and a year ago is that the shop and yard forces are kept on the job through six days in the week and with the exception of Saturdays, nine hours each day. The old whistle screams its rallying call every morning promptly at 7 o'clock and refuses to limber up for the release until 5 in the evening. This is different from a morning whistle at 7:30 and the chimes of dismissal along in the middle of the afternoon throughout half the week as was the case a year ago.

The condition of things in the yards and shops shows that railroad business has increased, if there was no other evidence to disclose the fact.

Fighting for Clear Track.

This is the first winter in several years when there has been demand for the closest vigilance to keep the main line open for traffic. The little surprise up the canyon above Union a few weeks ago was the last one. There is a new rotary in use in La Grande now. It is the No. 600. It is in no particular way different from the old rotary except that it was more recently constructed, and presumably better able to withstand the hard knocks. With these two rotaries and the weather department and track clearing force always on the job, it will be something more than usual that can force a tie-up. When the wind is from the west, a rotary climbs toward Kamela. If the breeze comes from the south or southeast, it hardly has time to get started when it is met on the way by a track-clearing crew. In this systematic and methodical way the wind and the snow scarcely gets a start toward a blockade in this district.

Railroad Personals.

Engineer Jack Thatcher, of the branch line run, is taking a lay-off and in a few days will take a look over California, pick oranges and get back about the time the grass begins to sprout along the banks of the Wallowa river.

"Jim" Miller, assistant passenger agent, has been looking after business on the branch lines this week, accompanying the O. A. C. Glee club in its itinerary in Wallowa county.

Engineer John Gardner is the city president of La Grande. The pres-

ence of railroad men in city affairs in La Grande has never been conspicuous in the past. Engineer Henry Henson, Robt. Finley and John Sheak, now deceased, were former members of the city council and Thos. Walsh, an old-time dispatcher, once occupied the mayor's chair. This about concludes the list of exceptions.

Wm. Hawkins, an employe of the shops who also has a small farm in Fruitdale where he makes his home, says he would not know what the territory where his home is would look like if he saw it in daylight. For three months he has traveled to and from work in the darkness of evening or the early morning.

Junction Homes Sought.

W. Bollons and A. Buckley in Pendleton to Arrange Matters.

Pendleton, Jan. 6.—The Tribune said last night:

According to T. F. O'Brien, local agent of the O. W. R. & N. Company, who spoke to the Commercial Association last night at their monthly meeting there will be at least 70 men living at Pilot Rock Junction by January 15 to be taken care of. A Buckley, assistant superintendent of the company, and W. Bollons were in the city yesterday taking up the proposition of caring for these people. It is probable that temporarily the company will put outfit cars there but as this is only temporary something must be done to take care of the men permanently.

A number of the men will have families and no doubt if there is any kind of cheap transportation for the men to and from Pendleton to the terminal yards they would rather have their homes in Pendleton.

The railroad company is very anxious according to Mr. O'Brien to get the terminal finished and in working order so that they can get the benefit of the Coyote and Echo cutoff. At present freight is very heavy and the shorter line will be placed in operation at the earliest possible date.

A motion was passed to the effect that the proposition of housing the men be referred to the board of managers who are to confer with Mr. O'Brien on the matter.

The company has made a purchase of the old Snyder place and are to hire a man to go to the place to run a boarding house where the men working at the Junction can be fed. Outside of this and the temporary outfit cars nothing has been done by the railroad people for providing homes although it was reported the company would build a number of houses to take care of their men if necessary at the terminal.

The terminal yards are at Pendleton's very door and it is up to her to make the best of the opportunities which are cast her way.

Pepys at a Feast.

Pepys' account of the lord mayor's banquet which he attended in 1693 illustrates the earliness of the proceedings at that time. He made his way to the Guildhall at noon, "went up and down to see the tables" and then had a drink, refusing wine in consequence of a vow, but persuading his conscience that he might indulge in hipposras, a compound of wine and spices. Soon after 1 o'clock came the lord mayor, "and so all to dinner." Afterward Pepys strolled about the ladies' room, but could not discern one handsome face there and, "being wearied with looking upon a company of ugly women," went off to Cheapside to see the pageants, "which were very silly." Thus the lord mayor's show in those days came after dinner.—London Standard.

No, He Wasn't Sick.

The ocean liner was rolling like a chip; but, as usual in such instances, one passenger was aggressively, disgustingly healthy. "Sick, eh?" he remarked to a pale green person who was leaning on the rail. The pale green person regarded the healthy one with all the scorn he could muster. "Sick nothing!" he snorted weakly. "I'm just hanging over the front of the boat to see how the captain cranks it!"—Argonaut.

Old Fashioned.

"No; she has never gone out much." "How do you know?" "Why, when she joined our sewing club she actually expected to do some sewing!"—Houston Post.

Good Reason.

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Unflattering.

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