

Lane County Train Passenger Traffic Shows Increase

Railroad Shops Keep Men Busy Repairing S. P. Rolling Stock

DIPPING into the Southern Pacific repair shops west of Eugene, a freight locomotive, ailing with a broken axle, is being repaired. Locomotives all of at times, are rolled under an unimposing piece of machinery which is on tracks built high in the metal shop.

Down from this machinery come hooks, chains and cables; scurrying workmen quickly attach the cables to the sick locomotive, the foreman gives a signal and with a clatter of machinery the gargantuan mass of steel and iron is hoisted skyward as easily as a hay derrick picks up a shock of hay.

Any job from hoisting these great metal plants down to treating a four-mile post with creosote can be performed in the railway shops maintained by the Southern Pacific at Eugene to keep the eleven main-line passenger trains running smoothly over perfectly conditioned roadbeds every day. In addition to the eleven main-line passenger trains serving Eugene, there are four main freight trains, two each way, which haul many tons of merchandise to and from Lane county.

Traffic Better

With the recent inauguration of re-conditioned passenger cars, passenger traffic originating in Lane county has increased more than 20 per cent during the first six months

of 1935. Southern Pacific officials here declare.

At the railway shops, crews are working 24 hours a day keeping the rolling stock in perfect condition and turning out thousands of creosote-treated ties, piling and timbers used in railroad construction.

In the main repair shops 65 men are employed while in the treating plant 50 men are working seven days a week. For the first part of this year, the plant operated only four or five days a week, but recent pick-ups in business have forced the continual operation now in effect.

Output of the treating plant depends on the condition of the timber since it takes longer to treat wet timber than dry material. With the wood dry, the plant turns out 900 railroad ties in ten hours and under normal conditions, a total of 40,000 feet of lumber can be handled in one 24-hour shift.

Ties, telephone and telegraph poles, piling, tunnel timbers, bridge timbers and lumber for buildings all go through this plant for weather-proof treatment and when the plant is operating at full capacity, as at present, 125,000 gallons of creosote is used each month.

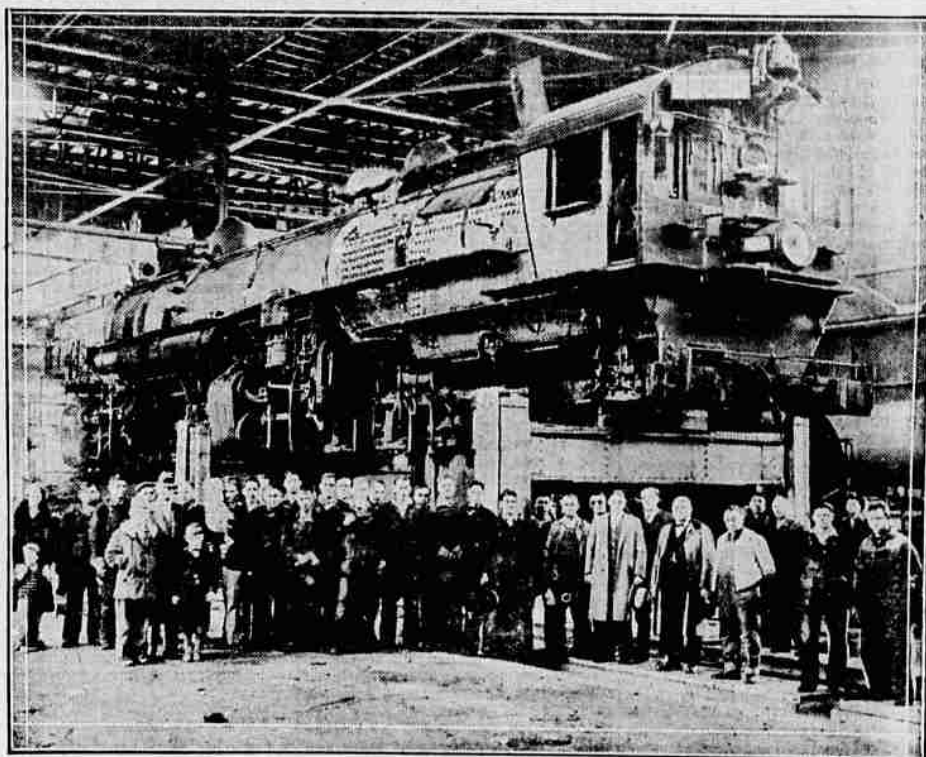
Holeman

A. R. HOLEMAN, Nu-Way Cleaners—There is a much better "mood" to business in Eugene and especially in the cleaning business.

This spring's business is way ahead of the past three years, and there is a decided improvement over last year.

The reason seems to be that there is more money in circulation both in Eugene and over the country. As the

NRA code for cleaners fell through at the start, our business has been little affected by the NRA ruling.



HANDLING STEEL MONSTERS

Huge cranes, hoisting great locomotives at the Southern Pacific shops at Eugene, make repairs on these great machines an easy matter.

Lane County's Largest Industry

Annual Pay Rolls Average \$1,000,000.00

Annual Purchases In Lane County
Average \$250,000.00

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Continuous operation for 37 years and our own timber supply sufficient for another 50 years.

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