

WESTERN PACIFIC IS GETTING BUSY.

More Details as to Material Yards
And Track Now
Building.

D. S. L. MEN ARE INTERESTED.

Representative of Opposites Road
Was Out Early Today Taking
In the Sights.

The joyous news that construction had actually commenced in Salt Lake on the Western Pacific was the topic of conversation all over the city last night. The first thing the Harriman interests knew that anything was transpiring was when the "News" was delivered last evening. Bright and early this morning, however, a representative of the Short Line engineering department was on the ground quietly taking in the operations of the gang of Greeks who are working under Foreman Cronin.

As previously stated the track that is to connect the Western Pacific with the Rio Grande Western yards leaves the main line at Ninth South and Sixth West and practically parallels the main line. It is now asserted that the permanent alignment of the big tract of vacant land which extends from opposite the cement works north to the Rio Grande shops, some 50 acres in all, will be used as a temporary material yard for the Western Pacific until another location in the vicinity of Great Salt Lake is definitely selected.

The effects of last night's news and what is confidently expected to be released next week from headquarters in New York, are to have the road to be fed in Salt Lake. Real estate men especially are jubilant and all classes of business men and citizens generally are predicted good times ahead. Already are there several inquiries for real estate on the west side with the prospect that there will be some options given within the next few days.

BURLEY OPENING.

All in Readiness for Townsite Monday—Bridge is Finished.

In addition to the regular work train on the Minidoka branch now being built by the Oregon Short Line, there will be two special trains on Monday from the junction with the main line on the occasion of the opening of the townsite of Burley. The trains will meet both eastbound and westbound to accommodate the crowds that are expected to be on hand. Already a number of people have gone in so as to be in on the ground floor.

The inquiring the Bell Telephone construction gang connected up with Bailey and the first conversation to be held over the wire was between Asst. Gen. Pass Agent Spencer of the Short Line here and the agent of the company at the Idaho end. Among other things the news came over the wire of the completion of the bridge across the Snake River. The entire structure work is concerned and the steel gang is now at work laying tracks across.

Every indication points to a speedy completion of the branch line which is destined to become one of the best feeders of the Harriman road in Idaho.

P. L. BEEMER NAMED.

Will be Appointed Assistant Passenger
And Ticket Agent.

Effective May 1 P. L. Beemer, the ticket agent at the Oregon Short Line depot, has been promoted to the position of assistant passenger and ticket agent in the downtown office, 201 south East Temple street, in the place made vacant by the untimely death of W. H. Nasen. Mr. Beemer has made a splendid record at the depot ticket office both for efficiency and courtesy to the traveling public and the appointment comes in the nature of a well merited promotion.

U. P. ENGINE EXPLODES.

Cool Passer Killed and Three Trainmen
Injured Near Evanston.

Ogden, Utah, April 28.—Union Pacific engine No. 669 pulling a west-bound three-car freight train from Antelope, seven miles west of Carter, between Granger and Evanston, Wyo., killing a coal passer, name unknown and badly scalding the engine crew and the front brakeman, about 11 o'clock last night. The injured men are Engineer Hunter Terry, Fireman M. F. Hughes and Brakeman W. H. Pettis.

Burlington Has First Car.

The first eastbound tourist car over the Salt Lake route from Los Angeles will leave the California end of the line on Monday night. It is a Burlington car through to Chicago without change.

SPIKE AND RAIL

Chief Clerk Rufus Cobb of the Oregon Short Line general agency here has gone to Butte on a business trip.

James P. Hayes, agent for the Traders Despatch at Kansas City, is numbered among the visiting railroad men in this city today.

E. B. Crandall has been appointed general baggage agent for the Salt Lake Route. He was formerly connected with the Union Pacific at Cheyenne.

A. C. Bird, traffic director of the Gould Lines, passed through Ogden yesterday over the Union Pacific on his way to attend the traffic meeting in St. Louis.

Assistant General Superintendent George Dierger of the Rio Grande Western will in all probability leave for Chechnan tomorrow where he goes as division superintendent on the C. H. & B.

Henry Allen of the Salt Lake Route commissionership arrived in Salt Lake this morning from Los Angeles to superintend matters for the opening day Monday.

The Ro Grande will run a special leaving Bingham Junction at midnight and returning from Salt Lake at 5 a.m. to take the men employed at the smelters to attend special Easter services here at 2 a.m.

Among the organizations that will go to Ogden on the Rio Grande excursion tomorrow are the Oak Leaf Athletic association, Knights of Columbus, Vincent-Not baseball nine and a party of Salt Palace bicycle riders with their wheels and motors.

G. W. Fitzgerald came down from Butte this morning on his way through to Little Rock, Ark., to take charge of livestock affairs in that section for the Missouri Pacific. Before leaving the Rio Grande at Butte he was tendered a banquet by friends and mechanics.

The big new brick roundhouse at

Caliente will be ready for occupancy within the next 30 days and the company will then put up a dozen more of their handsome cottages for the use of employees. The large coal chute is now in commission and a giant coal shovel fills its bins from the cars—Caliente Express.

The Ogden lodge of the order of Railroad Conductors met yesterday afternoon to consider arrangements for entertaining visiting conductors on their way through to the Portland convention. The visitors will be given a trout and chicken dinner in Ogden canyon, after which they will be taken across the Lucia cut-off in a special train.

W. A. White and Peter Dierham, both formerly pioneer engineers on the O. S. L. railroad, have been given the fast run on passenger trains from Caliente to Las Vegas. The engines used for this service are the 77-inch wheelers, something new in the west. They will make the 120-mile stretch of 75 miles an hour. The run to Las Vegas is made in about four hours, at intervals en route obtaining a speed of 60 miles and better per hour.

ELDERS' REUNION.

Enjoyable Time by Third Quorum in First Ward Last Night.

A reunion of the Third Quorum of Elders of Liberty stake was held in the First ward assembly rooms last night. The program consisted of toasts, responded to by members of the quorum, visiting guests and the stake presidency; excellent musical numbers; refreshments served by a bevy of handsome young ladies, and other features contributing to a general good time. Among the toasts was one by Prof. J. McClellan on ward choirs, and one by Prof. Evan Stephens on musical program. The program of a ten-year-old boy, Ashworth; contralto solo, Miss Mabel Cooper; duet, Prof. Kent and Miss Edna Morris; soprano solo, Mrs. Edwards; violin solo, Prof. Willard Weibel; violoncello quartet, Mrs. Edwards, Miss Cooper, T. S. Ashworth, and Prof. Evan Stephens. Prof. J. McClellan and Miss Lizzie Thomas were accompanists. The hall was beautifully decorated, being draped with Stars and Stripes and nicely set off with ferns and potted plants. There were about 250 people present, and John Duncan was master of ceremonies.

LIBELLING OF UTAH.

Time to Stop the Defamation of Character in the Beehive State.

From the current number of the Utah Commercial advertiser we clip the following:

"The gravest misfortune that has fallen on this most unfortunate of cities is the recent very much misguided actions of the Gentle Information Bureau in distributing leaflets and tracts among tourists and travelers passing through.

"This association, officered, as we are informed, by prominent ministers, has certainly, whether consciously or unconsciously, struck a sore blow at the heart of commercial Salt Lake. We are glad to learn that Superintendent Welby of the Rio Grande Western put a stop to this nefarious practice.

"We are neither gentle nor Morris in this senseless, fruitless, unfeeling effort to speak out only for Greater Salt Lake which is now in the three of birth, and is ill prepared to withstand this fatal disturbance.

"We can conceive of nothing calculated to work such irreparable harm to Salt Lake as the dissemination of the kind of literature scattered broadcast among tourists and possible homosexuals by the Gentle Information Bureau, a high time to call a halt on a vindictive action which reaches a stage where the innocent stranger is impeded in such a manner.

"These strangers can have neither a voice nor a vote in the settlement of our internal affairs, and to go after them to get their sympathy or to arouse their prejudice is certainly worse than displaying an infantile spite.

"But to do this without regard to the injury it would do to commercial Salt Lake is display of foresight and loyalty which would be commendable only among those types of an exceedingly sloping forehead.

"It is most regrettable that in this great period of Salt Lake's history just as Greater Salt Lake is struggling to be born, Lesser Salt Lake, with all its old animosities and troubles comes back to devour the infant."

EXPERIMENT FARM APPROPRIATION.

County Attorney Christensen Renders an Opinion for the Commissioners.

HE SAYS THAT IT IS LEGAL.

Board Can Set Aside Funds for the Purchase of the Requisite Acreage.

In answer to a request from the county commissioners, County Attorney Christensen has rendered an opinion in which he advises the commissioners that they can legally appropriate money with which to purchase land for an experimental farm, as provided by an act of the recent Legislature. The opinion follows in full:

Salt Lake City, Utah, April 29, 1905.
To the Hon. Board of County Commissioners, Salt Lake County, Utah:

Gentlemen—On the 26th of the present month I received from Commissioner Miller a request to advise the board as to its authority in relation to the purchase of an experimental farm in the country. The powers of the board of county commissioners are such, and such as are conferred upon it by legislative enactment. The board of commissioners can exercise only such powers as the Legislature may confer. The Legislature has the power, of course, to confer upon the board of county commissioners any additional responsibility or additional power that it may see fit, notwithstanding the fact that the session laws of 1905, Part 5 of this act provides as follows:

"The county or counties in which the station mentioned in par. 4 is located shall furnish to the state a clear title to 60 acres or more, good land, with sufficient water right free, which shall be the site of the said experimental station. The state Legis. shall have the power to confer upon the board of county commissioners to an amount not exceeding \$10,000 of the session laws of 1905, Part 5 of this act provides as follows:

"The ward social given under the auspices of the Relief Society for the benefit of the Relief stake capital, shall be a permanent success. Nearly 100 persons paid admissions and for summer, and a substantial sum of money was made.

The decorations, refreshments and program were thoroughly enjoyed by the large crowd, and the affair was one of the most successful and pleasant given during the season.

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