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SHEEP CREEK TUNNEL WILL BE FINISHED TODAY

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Each shift consisted of one shift boss, eight machine men, six muckers, one carman, one motorman and one brakeman. Also three men were employed on the air and ventilating pipes and on the ditch and floor.

P. H. O'Neil was in entire charge of the Sheep Creek crew from the start to the finish, and this great record was due to his untiring energy and skill in handling this work.

Guarding Against Accidents. Among the remarkable features connected with the great undertaking is the care that has been exercised throughout to guard against accidents, and the resulting comparative freedom from casualties of any nature.

Plans For Today. Last evening the following schedule was arranged for the closing hours of the work: The Perseverance crew was to drill five feet and both fire and Sheep Creek crew 4 1/2 feet and both fire at 9 p. m. Sheep Creek was to drill 4 1/2 feet and fire at 2 a. m. this morning and another 4 1/2 feet at 8 a. m. this morning, while Perseverance was to drill 6 feet and fire at 10 a. m. this morning and then leave. This would leave about 10 feet, which it was expected would be drilled and fired in the last shot from the Sheep Creek face early this afternoon. It was arranged that each crew would leave the opposite face while the other crew was firing.

Character of Ground. This tunnel, which is practically all a drift, has been driven along the general strike of the formation, and a short distance on the foot wall side of the contact and the ore zone of the country rock. Excepting a few hundred feet the rock encountered was a greenstone and a hard meta gabbro.

No timber was required beyond the surface gravel encountered at the Portal and the whole tunnel is considered very hard rock.

A one-inch water line has been kept well up to the face in order to wash down the muck pile immediately after the round has been fired. This is done to kill the gas as soon as possible.

Driving Speed. For the entire time an average speed of approximately 550 feet per month was maintained and the longest distance driven for any single month was in November, 1913,—661 feet. The best single week was 198 feet, and during March, 1914, a distance of 231 feet was driven in eight consecutive days.

During March 1914, the distance driven from both ends, which includes part of the crosscut at the Perseverance side, will be approximately 950 feet. About 9,500 feet was driven from the Sheep Creek side, all from one face—compared to any other similar tunnel it is in all probability the best record for speed ever made under like conditions.

Drilling. Four machines were used at the breast, two at the top bar and two on the bottom bar. The bottom bar is set up in about thirty minutes after the top bar, which is the time required to clear away muck enough to give room to work these two machines. The drilling crew consists of eight men, four on the top bar and four on the bottom bar.

Equipment. Four "E 44-inch 3 1/2 piston drills were used on two nine-foot horizontal bars 4 1/4 inches in diameter. Four extra machines were always kept in repair and on hand to replace any that might break.

Ventilation is furnished by four high speed exhaust fans, driven by a General Electric 20-h.p. motor, running at a full speed of 1740 revolutions per minute. These fans are placed at an approximate distance of 3,000 feet apart, and all are used as exhausters. A 15-inch diameter galvanized iron pipe was used for ventilating.

Compressed air is furnished to the machines by an Ingersoll Rand 22 x 13 x 16-inch Imperial type compressor, driven by a General Electric 20-h.p. motor.

For one-half the distance a 7-inch casing pipe was used and the other half a 6-inch standard gauge pipe was used. The pressure at the face was approximately 105 pounds.

The cars used were 1 1/2-ton side dump, roller-bearing, and are handled by a Jeffrey storage battery locomotive. Fifty pound rails were used throughout the tunnel, and the gauge of the track was 54 inches. No switches were used in the main tunnel, but stations at definite intervals were made by laying iron slick sheets side of the track and empty cars were transferred to these by the carman who simply used a crowbar. A short track, 25 feet long, was placed over the end of the rails as needed, so that the car to be loaded could be kept at the muck pile at all times.

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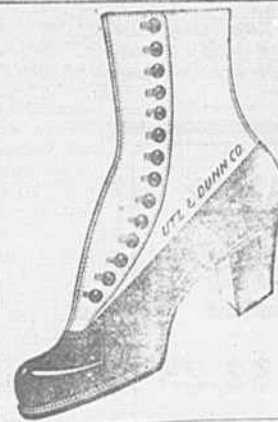
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