

TRACK AND TRAIN

Agent Michaels of Pluma has been enjoying a short vacation.

Conductor Coats of Deadwood is spending a few days in Hot Springs.

The material is now on hand to remodel the dispatcher's at Deadwood.

Fireman Burns of the main line has been sent to Sterling. He will be gone about thirty days.

All train service in the Black Hills has been delayed the past week on account of heavy snow.

The Misses Ericson of Rochford spent the holidays at the home of Section Foreman Lind of Mystic.

The machinists in the Alliance shops are now working eight hours per day and five days in the week.

Special Agent Hoag went west on delayed No. 43 Tuesday. Mr. Hoag's work keeps him on the road most of the time.

Brakeman Thompson, who has been visiting relatives in Lincoln since January 1st, is expected home before pay day.

Mrs. F. Houser, daughter and son came home Tuesday from Deadwood, where they had been for the last week visiting friends.

Mr. Clark of McCook has been in Alliance the past ten days visiting relatives. Mr. Clark is a brother of Mrs. W. M. Weidenhamer.

Agent and Mrs. Kridlebaugh entertained Supt. and Mrs. Weidenhamer and Mr. and Mrs. Tulley at a dinner party, the first of the week.

Conductor Cummings has been stationed at Ardmore to unload water cars and have them ready for the train to tie to as soon as they arrive. By having a man there to handle these cars it saves each train about two hours' switching.

Santa Claus stopped at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tony Nelson and left a ten pound girl. Mr. Nelson is wire chief for the Burlington at Deadwood, S. D.

Messenger Stromberg has been assigned to the Edgemont-Deadwood run, relieving Messenger Powell, who will take charge of the company wagon in Deadwood.

Agent Hollenbeck and wife have returned from a vacation spent with relatives in Ohio and report a very pleasant time. Mr. Hollenbeck is stationed on the high line.

Fireman Griswold, who has been living in Edgemont, is moving back to Alliance. On account of slack business he has been bumped off of his high line passenger run.

Fireman Trenkle, who has been in Crawford since Christmas, is again in Alliance. He is now confined to his room with a severe cold that may develop into pneumonia.

Conductor Hoskins, who had both feet crippled in Edgemont on November 29th, is still laying off. He will not be able to work before February 1st. Tom Griffith now has his car and crew.

The bridge gang in charge of Bridge Foreman Dan Burch has been at Mystic the past two months repairing bridges No. 72 and 75. They have completed their work and moved to Hill City.

Mr. Delahoyd, formerly cashier of the Burlington at Hot Springs, has been made agent at Hill City, relieving Agent Livingston, who has accepted employment with the International Harvester Company.

Over fifty cars of steel are in sight to be distributed along the line of the Burlington in the vicinity of Broken Bow. About forty-three miles of new rails will be put down, the present seventy-five pound steel being replaced by that weigh-

ing ninety pounds. Broken Bow now being a division point for local freights has caused much activity in the yards. Among other things there will be four thousand feet of new siding and another turntable. It has also been stated that a new station is to be built some time this year.—Omaha World-Herald.

Conductors Randall and Griffith made a couple of trips out of Edgemont on the high line. The heavy snow and cold weather had blocked the lines in the Black Hills. Conductor Cramer was another main line conductor who made a trip through the Hills.

Tom Morris, formerly of Alliance but now engineer for the Rapid City, Black Hills and Western, spent the last week with friends and relatives here. Tom is a son of Wm. Morris and at the time he was promoted he was the youngest in years of any man ever promoted on this division.

Machinist George Magill has filed on a Kinkaid homestead near Angora. Mr. Magill's family will move to the ranch but he will hold his position in the shops. Because of Mr. Magill's services in the Spanish-American war, he will be required to live on his claim only fourteen months before he can prove up.

Brakeman Judson was taken to the hospital Saturday, where he underwent a slight operation. Dr. Slagle and Dr. Hershman had charge of the case. He is now improving rapidly and will be out in a few days.

The agent of the Burlington at Mystic celebrated New Year's Day by giving his office a thorough scrubbing. This is probably the only station on the high line that received such a treatment.—Custer Chronicle.

Brakeman Short, who came here about two months ago from Chadron, has resigned. Mr. Short will go to Hebron, where he has secured employment. Mrs. Short and the children went to Hebron before Christmas.

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