

ARKANSAS TRAVELER RESPONDED.

Got Back In Rhyme at Missouri Pacific's General Passenger Agent.

H. C. Townsend, general passenger and ticket agent of the Missouri Pacific with headquarters at St. Louis, sent out a novel holiday greeting to patrons of the road and was surprised to receive a response in rhyme from a man in Arkansas. Here is the greeting followed by the answer:

**This is the train that runs so fast
Across the plains to mountains vast;
This is the train that never late,
And keeps its service up to date.
This is the train that runs out West,
And takes you there for work or rest;
This is the train that runs to the land
Of mountains high and canyons grand;
This is a true hotel on wheels,
It serves to you the best of meals;
This is the train with lowest rates—
St. Louis to the Golden Gate.
If you should wish to go that way,
See H. C. Townsend, G. P. A.**

This is what the Arkansas traveler wrote in response:

H. C. Townsend, G. P. A.—
I received your card to-day,
And I'm writing now to say
That your train is A-O-K.
I'm a regular passenger
And I'm here to tell you sir
It's a corker—sure enough;
(Please don't take this as a puff—
All your trains are up to snuff—
Strictly in it—just the stuff!)
Makes me restless when I read
Of the comfort and the speed—
Want to pack my clothes and skip
On that train—Gee! What a trip!
Feed you like a millionaire—
Gosh! Just read that bill-of-fare!
Tender steaks, well done or rare—
Game and things from everywhere!
Salads, desserts, coffee, cake—
Wow! It makes my stomach ache!
And the rates—I'll swear to you,
Same as cutting naught in two!
(Shame to take such service cheap—
Ought to make us pay a heap!)
Guess I've said about enough,
(Every word is straight—no guff.)
So I'll sign myself, with care:
Truly yours, A. PASSENJARE.

Of course, a wise man never makes the same mistake twice. If he marries a second time that's another mistake.

To Cure a Cold in One Day.
Take **Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets**. All druggists refund money if it fails to cure, 25c.

When an individual minds his own business he is one kind of monopolist.

Little white lies live long and prosper.

Defiance Starch is put up 16 ounces in a package, 10 cents. One-third more starch for the same money.

The world will forgive a man at most anything except failure.

Teosinte and Billion Dollar Grass.
The two greatest fodder plants on earth, one good for 14 tons hay and the other 80 tons green fodder per acre. Grows everywhere, so does Victoria Rape, yielding 60,000 lbs. sheep and swine food per acre.

JUST SEND 10c IN STAMPS TO THE
John A. Salzer Seed Co., La Crosse, Wis., and receive in return their big catalog and lots of farm seed samples. (W. N. U.)

A woman's idea of a compliment is to name her baby after a rich relation.

If you don't get the biggest and best it's your own fault. Defiance Starch is for sale everywhere and there is positively nothing to equal it in quality or quantity.

When looking for faults that need correction use a mirror, and not a telescope.

Equal to a State Fair.
The annual importation of the Lincoln, Neb., Importing Horse Co., arrived about sixty days ago, consisting of two car loads. They made the run from New York to Lincoln in forty-four hours landing their horses in most excellent condition. This importation consists of German Coach, Percheron, English Shire, French Draft and Belgians. They now have in their barns fifty head of imported stallions, all in excellent condition. They have been in the business for seventeen years at this location. Considering the large number of horses and beautiful barns it is almost equal to a State Fair entertainment to visit their barns. Read their ad in this paper.

Pride shows many men how to keep in the straight path.

50,000 AMERICANS WERE WELCOMED TO

Western Canada
DURING LAST YEAR.

They are settled and settling on the Grain and Grazing Lands and are prosperous and satisfied. Sir Wilfrid Laurier recently said: "A new star has risen on the horizon, and it is toward it that every immigrant who leaves the land of his ancestors to come and seek a home for himself turns his gaze"—Canada. There is

Room for Millions.
FREE Homesteads given away. Schools, Churches, Railways, Markets, Climate, everything to be desired.

For a descriptive Atlas and other information, apply to Superintendent Immigration, Ottawa, Canada, or authorized Canadian Government Agent—W. V. Bennett, 801 New York Life Building, Omaha, Neb.

Salzer's National Oats
Greatest oat of the century. Yielded 100 in Ohio 1917, 110 in Mich. 21 in Mo. 23, and in N. Dakota 210 bush. per acre. You can beat that record in 1918!

For 10c and this notice
we mail you free lots of farm seed samples and our big catalog, telling all about the oat wonder and thousands of other seeds.

JOHN A. SALZER SEED CO.
La Crosse, Wis.

A cold is one of the very few ailments the modern physician will undertake to cure without a surgical operation.

over the waters of Great Salt Lake. It presents a practically level track except for a short distance on the west end near Lucin, Nevada, where a slight grade is encountered.

The use of this cut-off will throw out the trans-continental traffic over the old line from Ogden to Lucin, Nevada, around the lake. This strip of track is one of the most expensive of the Harriman system, the maximum grade over the long Promontory hill is 104 feet to the mile and helper engines are always necessary. The climatic

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LASTING RELIEF.

J. W. Walls, Superintendent of Streets of Lebanon, Ky., says:

"My nightly rest was broken, owing to irregularities of the kidneys. I suffered intensely from severe pains in the small of my back and through the kidneys and was annoyed by painful passages of abnormal secretions. Doctors failed to relieve me. I began taking Doan's Kidney Pills and I experienced quick and lasting relief. Doan's Kidney Pills will prove a blessing to all sufferers from kidney disorders who will give them a fair trial."

Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y., proprietors. For sale by all druggists, price 50 cents per box.

Would Confiscate the Hats.
Enthusiastic members of London's Audubon society propose a law to authorize the confiscation of all hats decorated with the skins of song birds.

10,000 Plants for 10c.
This is a remarkable offer the John A. Salzer Seed Co., La Crosse, Wis., makes. They will send you their big plant and seed catalog, together with enough seed to grow:

- 1,000 fine, solid Cabbages.
- 2,000 delicious Carrots.
- 2,000 blanching, nutty Celery.
- 2,000 rich, buttery Lettuce.
- 1,000 splendid Onions.
- 1,000 rare, luscious Radishes.
- 1,000 gloriously brilliant Flowers.

This great offer is made in order to induce you to try their warranted seeds—for when you once plant them you will grow no others, and

ALL FOR BUT 10c POSTAGE, providing you will return this notice, and if you will send them 20c in postage, they will add to the above a package of the famous Berliner Cauliflower. (W. N. U.)

We sometimes open our mouths before we get our minds open.

Burned out, but was insured in the STATE FARMER'S MUTUAL INSURANCE CO. of South Omaha, Neb., which means that he got his money.

Has some agent tried to cancel your Mutual Policy? Telling you all sorts of things, almost crying for you. Why? Because he needs the money he would make out of you, wanted pay for the talk he gave. Don't be fooled. Keep your Mutual Insurance, and get more if you need it. Write to B. R. Stouffer, Secretary, South Omaha, Neb.

Life is a good deal like a meal in a cheap restaurant. The things you want fail to show up on the bills of fare.

Mother Gray's Sweet Powders for Children.
Successfully used by Mother Gray, nurse in the Children's Home in New York, cure Constipation, Feverishness, Bad Stomach, Teething Disorders, move and regulate the Bowels and Destroy Worms. Over 30,000 testimonials. At all Druggists, 25c. Sample FREE. Address A. S. Olmsted, LeRoy, N.Y.

Never strike a boy smaller than yourself; he may grow.

If you wish beautiful, clear, white clothes use Red Cross Ball Blue. Large 2 oz. package, 5 cents.

You cannot whitewash yourself by blackening others.

Left-Handed People.
Prof. Lombroso, as the result of his observations on left-handed and left-sided people finds that among 1,000 soldiers and operatives the proportion of left-handed people is 4 per cent among men and 5 to 8 per cent among women. Among criminals the quota of left-handed was found to be more than tripled in men and more than quintupled among women.

Camelback Riding.
Lord Kitchener of Khartoum is credited with the best description of camelback riding that is known. The soldier gave this description at a dinner party in London which some Americans attended. "When we asked Lord Kitchener, 'one of the Americans said, 'to tell us what it felt like to ride a camel, he twisted his mustache and said: 'You know the game of cup and ball? You have a ball and a cup, and you throw the ball in the air and try to catch it in the cup, then bounce it up and try to catch it again? Well, when you ride a camel, the brute plays cup and ball with you, missing you nearly every time.'"

A Dentist's Advice.
Toledo, Ohio, Jan. 25th.—Mr. Harry I. Lewis, Dentist, 607 Summit street, this city, says: "I certainly advise anyone, no matter how severe they may have Kidney Trouble to take Dodd's Kidney Pills.

"I was troubled with Kidney Disease for several years and Dodd's Kidney Pills cured me. I had used many so-called remedies without any benefit. Four months ago, I was flat on my back with this painful trouble and must say that I almost gave up hopes of ever getting any better. Through a friend's advice I purchased six boxes of Dodd's Kidney Pills.

"At first I could see but little benefit, but after two weeks, I could see an improvement. I had been getting up several times at night and pains in my back were very severe. When I had taken six boxes I felt better than I had for years. The pain had all gone and I didn't have to get up during the night at all. I continued the treatment until I had used several more boxes, and now I am glad to say that I am completely cured."

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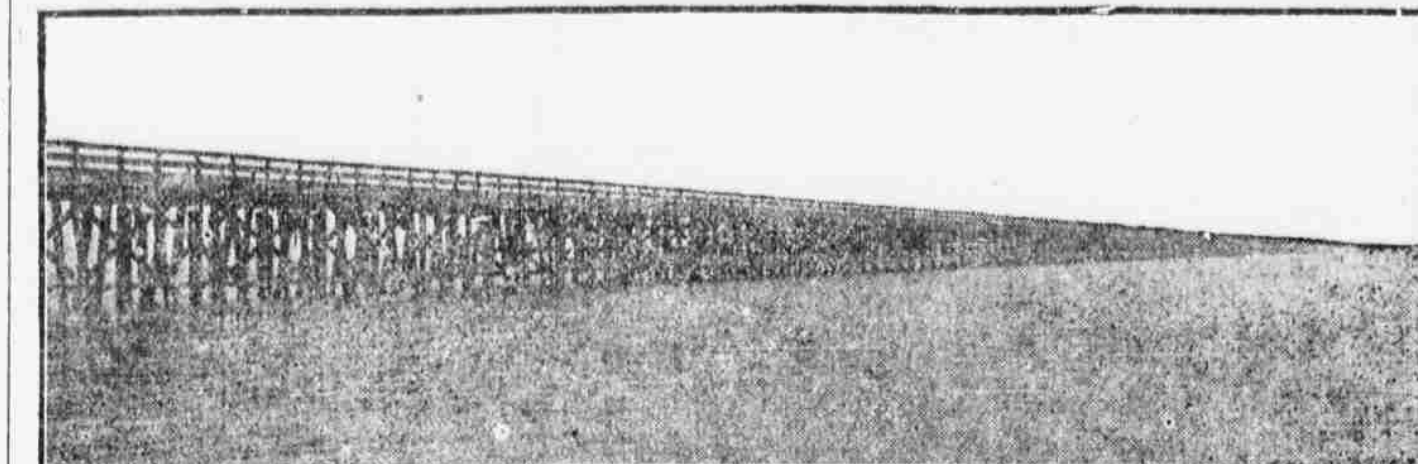
BRIDGING AN INLAND SEA.

One of the Most Stupendous and Difficult Feats of Railroad Engineering Successfully Accomplished.

We have in times past been told much of wonderful feats in railroad building, and much has been written of the engineering skill and daring that directed the course of the iron horse across the plains and mountains that lie between the Missouri river and the Pacific ocean. "In the grandeur and magnitude of the undertaking, the Union Pacific-Central Pacific has never been equaled. The energy and perseverance with which the work was urged forward and the rapidity with which it was executed, are without a parallel in history" were the state-

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The work involved in this plan has been supervised by Messrs. Harriman and Knuttschmidt of the Southern Pacific, and Messrs. Burt and Berry of the Union Pacific, and these two railroads have spent in the last three years somewhere near \$130,000,000 in repairs and improvements aside from the expenses of operation or maintenance.



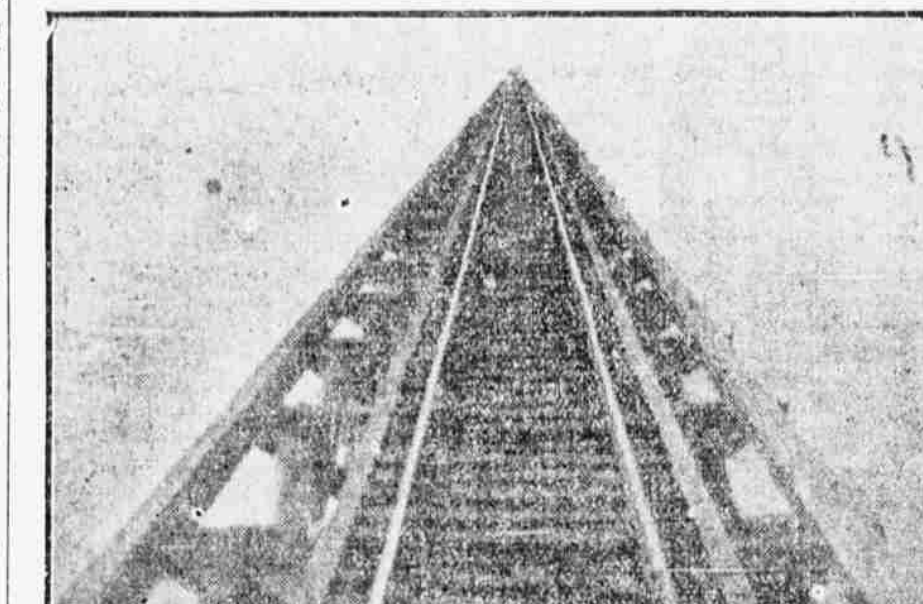
The Lucin "Cut-Off" Across the Great Salt Lake.

ments of the special government commissioners to the Secretary of the Interior.

Thirty-five years ago there was no time to spend on work similar to that which has just been completed. Then the world was watching while the builders of the Union Pacific and Central Pacific raced for supremacy. It was a magnificent contest, but nowadays the owners of the road have been brought to consider other problems. One of these necessitated the solution of the grade question and the straightening of the track.

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View of the Track Across the Great Salt Lake.

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Railroad Officials at Formal Opening of the Ogden-Lucin "Cut-Off."

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Miss Gannon, Sec'y Detroit Amateur Art Association, tells young women what to do to avoid pain and suffering caused by female troubles.

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—I can conscientiously recommend Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound to those of my sisters suffering with female weakness and the troubles which so often befall women. I suffered for months with general weakness, and felt so weary that I had hard work to keep up. I had shooting pains, and was utterly miserable. In my distress I was advised to use Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and it was a red letter day to me when I took the first dose, for at that time my restoration began. In six weeks I was a changed woman, perfectly well in every respect. I felt so elated and happy that I want all women who suffer to get well as I did." —Miss GUILA GANNON, 350 Jones St., Detroit, Mich., Secretary Amateur Art Association.—\$5000 for full if original of above letter proving genuineness cannot be produced.

When one considers that Miss Gannon's letter is only one of the countless hundreds which we are continually publishing in the newspapers of this country, the great virtue of Mrs. Pinkham's medicine must be admitted by all.

Few men are appreciated until they take up their residence in a cemetery.

If a man who falls in love at sight is wise he will take a second look before proposing.

Defiance Starch is guaranteed biggest and best or money refunded. 16 ounces, 10 cents. Try it now.

It is impossible to patch up a reputation so that the patches won't show.

Chaffee's Shoulder Straps.
The first shoulder straps with the three stars of the lieutenant general that General Chaffee will wear after the senate confirms him in his new grade will be a pair presented to him by Lieutenant General Young, who retired recently. With the straps General Young sent this note: "Private Young, Company K, Twelfth Pennsylvania volunteer infantry, presents his compliments to Private Chaffee, Troop K, Sixth United States Cavalry, and asks him to accept this pair of lieutenant general's shoulder straps."

Financier and Mirthmaker.
American financiers who, when in London, have had occasion to meet the urbane, yet extremely business-like secretary of the Bank of England, were surprised to learn the other day that in his leisure he wrote stories that fairly bubbled over with the spirit of childhood. Between Mr. K. Grahame, important factor in the management of "The Old Lady of Threadneedle Street," and Kenneth Grahame, author of "The Golden Age" and "Dream Days," there would seem to be the wide gulf existing between poet and banker—always excepting my old friend, Edmund Clarence Stedman. If the attempt of a lunatic to assassinate the bank secretary had not drawn wide attention to that financial factotum, with consequent publication of his biography, the fact that mirthmaker and money handler were one person would have been known only to a chosen few.

DR. FED HIMSELF.
Found the Food that Saved His Life.

A good old family physician with a lifetime experience in saving people finally found himself sick unto death. Medicines failed and — but let him tell his own story. "For the first time in my life of sixty-one years I am impelled to publicly testify to the value of a largely advertised article and I certainly would not pen these lines except that, what seems to me a direct act of Providence, saved my life and I am impressed that it is a bounden duty to make it known.

"For 3 years I kept falling with stomach and liver disorders until I was reduced 70 lbs. from my normal weight. When I got too low to treat myself, 3 of my associate physicians advised me to 'put my house in order' for I would be quickly going the way of all mankind. Just about that time I was put on a diet of Grape-Nuts predigested food. Curiously enough it quickly began to build me up, appetite returned and in 15 days I gained 6 lbs. That started my return to health and really saved my life.

"A physician is naturally prejudiced against writing such a letter, but in this case I am willing to declare it from the housetops that the multiplied thousands who are now suffering as I did can find relief and health as easily and promptly by Grape-Nuts. If they only knew what to do. Sincerely and Fraternally yours," Name of this prominent physician furnished by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

Look in each package for a copy of the famous little book, "The Road to Wellville."