

Burlington Route		McCook, Neb.		Burlington Route	
Time Card					
MAIN LINE EAST-DEPART:					
No. 6	(Central Time)	10:27 P. M.			
12	"	5:30 A. M.			
14	"	7:15 A. M.			
16	"	9:42 P. M.			
18	"	4:30 A. M.			
MAIN LINE WEST-DEPART:					
No. 1	(Mountain Time)	9:50 A. M.			
3	"	11:42 P. M.			
5	"	8:35 P. M.			
13	"	10:25 A. M.			
15	"	12:17 A. M.			
IMPERIAL LINE					
No. 176	arrives (Mountain Time)	5:35 P. M.			
No. 175	departs	7:10 A. M.			

Conductor V. H. Sollday went down to Lincoln, Monday morning on No. 2, to undergo treatment for rheumatism.

Frank Arnold, a former McCook boy, now employed on a railroad out of Kansas City, is visiting his former home.

Engines 2003, McFarland driving, and engine 1755, Boettger on right side, were in collision at Fort Morgan, Monday night, both engines being badly damaged.

O. R. Amick of this county and Miss Ganson of Buffalo county, Nebraska, were quietly married by Judge Loomis on Saturday, the nineteenth instant. We unite with their many friends in wishing them a prosperous and happy union.—Hayes Center Times Republican.

Mr. Brown, an Orleans furniture dealer, was in the city, Tuesday, to secure some household goods of A. J. Fritter, who recently left here, upon whose goods Mr. Brown held a chattel mortgage. Fritter formerly was in the Burlington employ, but lost out for some cause or other.

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The absorption of the Colorado & Southern road by the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy, gives to the Hill system a total of 21,144 miles. The net amount of stock in round numbers is 617 million dollars, with bonds of 515 million dollars. The gross earnings in 1907-8 amounted to 215 million dollars, with gross income approximately 225 million dollars. The net income of the system last year was 74 million dollars, with charges of 22 million dollars, the fixed charges thus amounting to less than 30 percent of the total net income.—Lincoln Star.

Express office will be open, New Year, until 11 o'clock in the morning.

Ray Shriner spent Friday and Saturday in Norton, Kansas, visiting.

Mrs. S. W. McCleary of Galesburg is visiting her husband and other relatives in the city during the holidays.

Omaha railroad talk is to the effect that President Harris of the Burlington is to be president of the Colorado & Southern next year.

Sheridan expects the Burlington to build from that point to connect with the Colorado & Southern on the south, thus giving them another outlet for their coal. The proposed line will be 180 miles, some of it through difficult country.

C. B. Sawyer, who is the owner of one of the finest four-year-old winter apple orchards at Greenacres, has picked and sold a large crop from his tract this year. His Jonathans, Wagners and Rome Beauties are considered as fine as any in the state and are selling at from \$1 to \$2 per box. He has sold some of his Winter Banana apples at the rate of \$8 per box on account of their attractiveness in coloring. Mr. Sawyer is building a fine home on his tract.—Greenacres cor. Spokane, (Wash.) Evening Chronicle.

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A Happy New Year is what we wish to everyone. We thank our patrons for having come to us during the past year, and we thank them now in advance for coming to us this year to follow.

We know that our customers will come back to us, and we know that the number of our customers will grow, because those who have dealt with us will tell their friends the way in which we deal.

We believe in making prices good all the year 'round, and of putting only good goods on our counters.

We are happy because we feel that we have treated our customers right.

Cordially,
C. L. DeGROFF & CO.

SOMETHING
DOING
IN
THIS
SPACE,
NEXT
WEEK.

Clint Hamilton Lumber Co.
J. R. STANSBERRY, Manager and Owner

WANTED

Horses, Mares
...and Mules...

I will be at Steve Wilson's upper barn, McCook, Neb., on Saturday, January 9th, 1909.

R. F. REYNOLDS.

Must be broke and fat; from four to ten years old. Parties desiring to take the market price bring in your animals and get it. No thin or skittish horses wanted

Clear Track with Fire.
Beaver City, Neb., Dec. 27. — On the St. Francis branch of the Burlington, extending from Orleans, Neb., to St. Francis, Kas., a distance of 110 miles, there are many deep cuts after the road crosses into Kansas. These have occasioned much annoyance and delay of trains in winter by filling up with snow. But this fall a new difficulty arose. The Russian thistle has grown to great proportions in that region this year, and the rolling weeds, as large as a bushel basket, have been whirled across the prairies by the wind. When one of the deep cuts was in their path it was quickly filled. Trains have been stopped frequently and as effectually as though the blockade was made by tightly drifted snow. When this occurred the section hands and trainmen have cleared the track with forks and shovels, a long and tedious task. One of these blockades occurred on Christmas day. Conductor Enright, was impatient to get to the end of the run where dinner was awaiting him. Instead of waiting for the section men, he stepped ahead of the train and touched a match to the rosinous weeds, which burned like tinder. In three minutes the track was clear and the train sped on its way. Railroad men are wondering why they did not think of it before.

More Railroad Rumors.
Chicago, Dec. 29.—It was announced here yesterday that James J. Hill, in connection with his purchase of the Colorado & Southern railroad, has determined to construct a new grade route from Denver to Billings and also a low grade road from Kearney, Neb., to the same place. The latter route will be built probably northwest to a connection with the Denver-Billings line at Orin Junction, Wyo., or north of that point.

Had a Pretty Close Call.
Monday night, Switchman C. W. Lutes, working in the local yard, had a close call for his life. While engaged in making a coupling, he was struck by some cars backing up. Fortunately a scalp wound not of a serious nature and slight injuries to his back total his injuries. He will be about as usual in a short time.

W. M. Gardner, clerk for Emerson, returned to work, first of the week.

Scoops on engines now bear the number of the engine,—an old custom revived.

The 1905 is over drop-pit No. 2, this week. She has been given new tires, repainted etc.

If Jim Hill builds any considerable part of the railroad mileage blocked out for him by the newspaper for 1909 he will be a pretty busy man.

Engineer and Mrs. Barney Lewis returned home on 3, Tuesday night, from spending part of the holidays with relatives and friends in Eastern Nebraska.

An enjoyable family reunion and Christmas tree was held last night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Garrard at their home on J street. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Frank R. Dobson and son Leonard of Winslow, Arizona; Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Scott and son Warren of McCook, Nebraska; Miss Margaret Garrard, Mrs. Catherine Garrard and Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Garrard.—Fresno Morning Republican, Dec. 25th.

A new pilot beam was given the 1091, this week.

Engine 2829 has been over drop-pit No. 1, this week.

Storekeeper E. C. Hill was a Denver visitor, first of the week.

Thomas Gettings spent some of the Christmas time in Denver.

Lloyd Jennings was with the football bunch in Arapahoe, Christmas.

J. W. Chase returned to work, Monday morning, after a short illness.

John Brening returned, Tuesday, from visiting in Hastings, part of the holidays.

Apprentice Arthur Scott has returned from his visit to Goodland and is at work again.

James Holland, once backshop foreman here, now with the Moffat road, visited between trains here, Wednesday.

Engines Nos. 1339 and 318 are in the backshop for an overhauling, and Nos. 118 (from Denver) and 322 will go in for a few days.

Engines Nos. 1904 and 1932 were both damaged somewhat in a slight wreck in the yard at Akron, Monday night. They will be repaired in the Denver shop.

Engines 2003 and 1755 which were involved in the wreck at Fort Morgan, Monday night, were brought to McCook, Wednesday night, for repairs, which will be of an extensive nature.

ADVERTISED LIST.
The following letters, cards and packages remain uncalled for at the McCook postoffice, December 18, 1908.

LETTERS.

Baker, Katherine	Baker, Mrs. Minnie
Dickson, Mr. H. A.	Dorsey, Jas. W.
Doherty, Sam	Frey, Mrs. Geo. R.
Grant, C. T.	Hathett, Mr. G. L.
Harkey, Mr. W. B.	Haley, Mr. J. B.
Loomis, Mrs. Ellie	Mardock, Mr. B. A.
Rouse, C. O.	Sheldon, Mr. Burton
Shepherd, Mr. Robert	Stout, Frank H.
Sovern, Mr. E. W. (2)	Thompson, Mrs. G. Q.

CARDS.

Bruce, Mr. C. O.	Beaver, Mr. W. H.
Baily, Mrs. Edith	Dada, Mr. Heinrich
Rodgers, George	Roberts, E. W.

When calling for these, please say they were advertised.

S. B. McLEAN, Postmaster.

Santa Claus at District 83.
District 83, more commonly known as the Anderson school, was visited by jolly St. Nicholas in approved style, Christmas eve. He there presided over a tree bearing all sorts of gifts for each of the 19 pupils, besides useful articles for the fond parents. The program was enjoyable. The teacher Miss Sadie Everist was presented with a beautiful toilet case by the pupils. Here's hoping that Santa will make many more merry visits to district 83.

COLEMAN.
Oliver Strawder was down east, part of this week, on a visit.

Mrs. W. M. Rozell, Ethel, Gladys and Clarence were guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Clark, Saturday and Sunday, Miss remaining this week.

John Clark and family were Christmas guests of Chas. Nelson and family.

BOX ELDER.
Rev. Rubottom and wife are spending the holidays at Trenton.

Evert Rutledge has moved to Maywood, where he will take charge of a livery barn.

Mrs. Tom Chamberlain came down from Maywood and assisted her sister Mrs. Rutledge in packing for the moving to Maywood.

T. S. Draper shelled corn for J. K. Gordon, Monday.

FOR SALE, FOR RENT, ETC.

FOR SALE—160 acres of improved land seven miles south of McCook, Neb. Price, \$2,200.

Mrs. M. E. BATTERSHALL, OWNER,
12 22 4th St. Okarcho, Okla.

FOR SALE—A few fresh milk cows, M. C. Cratty, 5 miles southwest of McCook.—12-15 3t.

FOR SALE—Dwelling near high school, corner 2nd west and G street. Phone black 312.—12-25-4*

FOR SALE—A \$25 piano—cheap. Inquire at this office.

FOR RENT—A 7-room dwelling with large barn. Inquire of Diamond at the Stein clothing store.

FOR RENT—Four room cottage. Mrs. J. I. Lee. Phone 43.

FOR RENT—Furnished room, light and bath. Phone red 255, or call at 309 2nd street W.

FOR RENT—Three furnished rooms for light housekeeping. Inquire of Mrs. James I. Lee, phone 43.

FOR RENT—Suite of four steam-heated room with private stairs and hall. Inquire of McCook Hardware Co.

FOUND—In H. C. Clapp's dry goods store, a lady's hand-bag. Owner can have same by calling at above store, proving property and paying for notice.

FOR RENT—5 room house at 910 West 2nd st. Phone red 329. 12-25-2*.

ESTRAYED—Bay pony mare, about three weeks ago. Notify this office.—2t

ESTRAYED—Came to my place Christmas day, two steers, one 3 and one 2 years old; both have white faces. Owner can have same by paying advertising and other charges. Otto Pate, ash 981.

We have a few of the genuine

Schaeffer Pianos

which we are going to offer at extremely low prices during the next two weeks, and if you have been contemplating the purchase of an instrument for your home in the next year, we will make it an object for you to buy now. Come in and let us show you the instruments and hear the price and terms we will make to you.

D. W. COLSON
223 Main Avenue, McCook, Nebraska