

Battling Snowdrifts in the Yellowstone

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This picture presents a striking contrast to the scene greeting the summer traveler's arrival at the west entrance to Yellowstone park.



Cheers heralded the arrival of the huge rotary plow at West Yellowstone. Folk up in the Montana hills are practically isolated by snow and ice until the rail lines are reopened each spring.



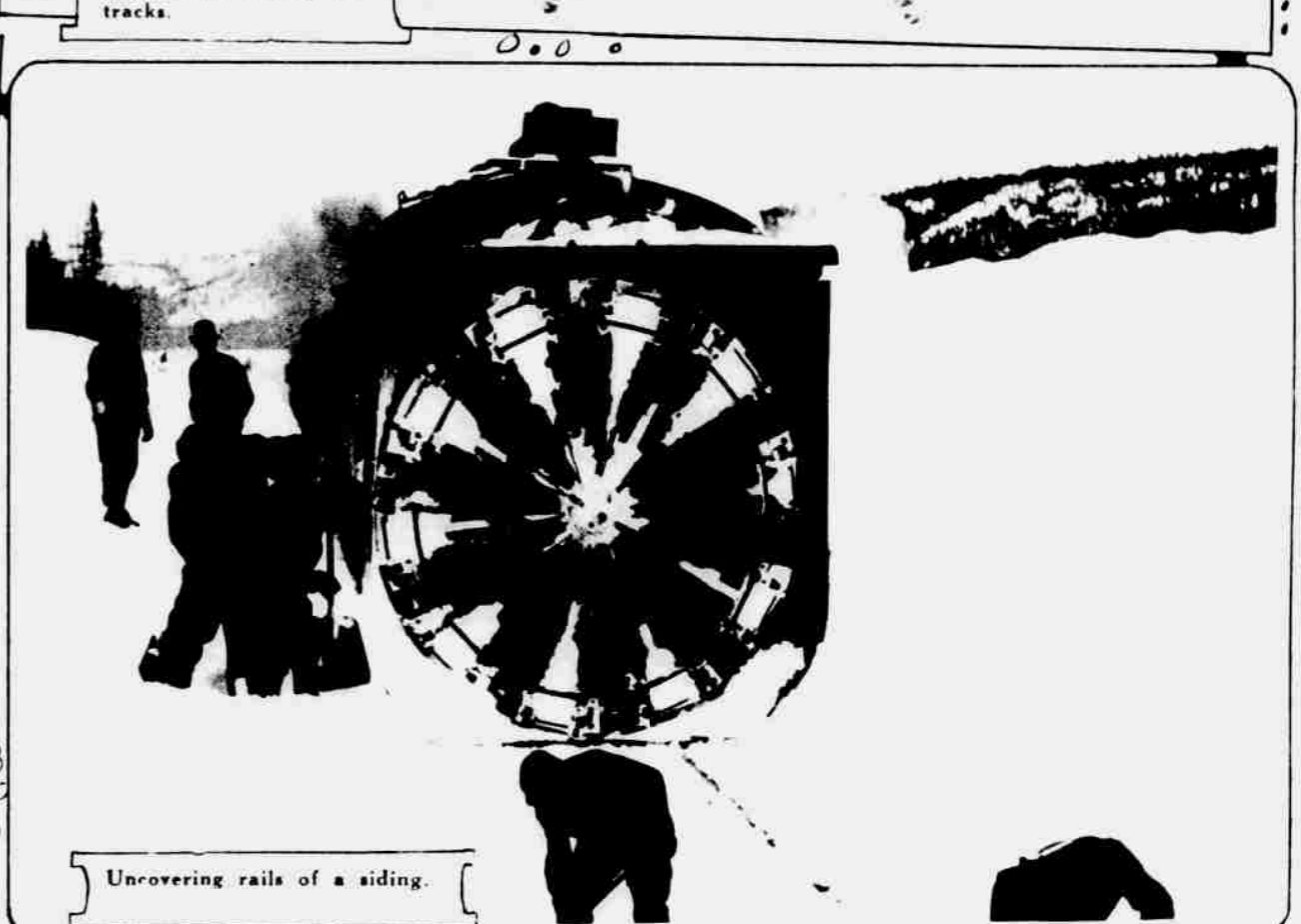
Crystal clear stream, teeming with trout, snapped from rotary plow train as it forged through drifts from five to 15 feet deep.



Smashing through a huge drift blocking the tracks.



Spectacular photo of an Oregon Short Line rotary plow in action. The exhaust from the big cutting fan was bending nearly double the rows of small pine trees far to each side of the tracks.



Uncovering rails of a siding.



One mile from Yellowstone, after three days of strenuous effort in opening line to west entrance of the park.



Sawtelle peak, with winter snows still far down its slopes, photographed from first train penetrating the park after six months of winter isolation.