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No.

ROCK SPRINGS,
Wyoming,
March 10, 1916.

Mr. F. A. Manley,
V. P. & G. M.,
Omaha, Nebraska.

Dear Sir:-

I am sending you under separate cover a photograph of the Union Pacific Coal Company Instruction Car, taken at Superior, Wyoming.

The photo shows a class of Japs and also a class of other men, who were quite efficient in their work.

Trusting you receive same all right, I am,

Yours truly,

Thos. Gibson
Chairman, Bureau of Safety.

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Union Pacific's Mine-Rescue and Instruction Car

BY THOMAS GIBSON*

The instruction car of the Union Pacific Coal Co. is a combination passenger and express coach, freshly painted, remodeled and especially equipped for mine-rescue purposes and for the training of men in first-aid work. It can be heated by steam or with a Baker heater. It is neatly and safely wired for electric lights and is arranged to use electricity having a voltage from 500 down. It is also fitted with oil lamps. In one end of the car is a modern kitchen, having water tanks overhead, and a sink, steel range, cupboards and other facilities handy. The living quarters and apparatus room are combined.

There are six berths, three on each side of the car. Under them are two comfortable coach seats. There are lockers for blankets, bedding, apparatus, first-aid material, flashlights, batteries, railway and marine fire extinguishers, potash cartridges, electric carbide, safety lamps, army field stretchers, lungmotor, mouth-breathing apparatus, half-hour self-rescuer breathing apparatus, and other necessary equipment for use in case of fire or accident. There is also a work bench for making repairs.

FEW FIELDS WHERE TRAINING IS SO GENERAL

The illustration of the instruction car—which is produced from a photograph by Steve Traher, the assistant mine foreman of E mine, Superior, Wyo.—shows on the extreme right the First-Aid Club building at Superior.

G. W. Riggs, who is in charge of mine rescue car No. 5 of the United States Bureau of Mines, has been in the southern coal fields of Wyoming for the last six months training miners in first-aid methods and mine-rescue work. He is much pleased with his trip and has stated that he had trained more men in the southern fields

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of Wyoming, in proportion to the number of men employed, than he had ever coached in any other coal field in the United States. Mr. Riggs has been employed by the Government at this work for the last seven years, and his statement therefore is made more forcible by the length of his experience.

The meetings held at the different mine villages were well attended and much interest and enthusiasm were shown. Every Friday evening was "Ladies' Night," so that all the women around the mines are now fairly well versed in mine-rescue and first-aid work. Business and professional men were present and a spirit of coöperation was established.

F. L. Davis, superintendent of the Superior Coal Company mines, at Superior, Wyo., carried off the first honors

for first-aid training, having 71 men so trained. He had also 44 men trained in mine-rescue work with the breathing apparatus. D. G. Thomas, superintendent of the Rock Springs, Wyo., mines, had the largest number trained in mine-rescue work—49 men. He also had 43 who were competent first-aid men.

ONLY JAPANESE RESCUE SQUAD IN UNITED STATES

In the whole field there were 170 men who were trained by Mr. Riggs in mine-rescue work and 250 who received training in first aid. The Japanese first-aid and mine-rescue team at Superior, Wyo., is probably the only squad, composed solely of men of that nationality, to be found anywhere in the United States. They are all members of the United Mine Workers of America, District No. 22 of Wyoming.

The number of men trained in the first-aid and mine-rescue work in this field makes it certain that this noble work is here to stay. If the men working in and around the mines will only coöperate with the companies in doing their duty and will obey the rules and regulations and comply with the orders given by the mine foreman or his assistant, accidents can be reduced to a minimum, and there will be fewer women and children thus bereaved.

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INSTRUCTION AND RESCUE CAR OF UNION PACIFIC COAL CO. WITH RESCUEMEN

Bottom row from left to right—Joe Adamik, M. McPhee, R. E. Vanlette, J. Moscow, M. L. Moscow, G. W. Riggs with the U. S. Bureau of Mines, Joseph Traher, mascot, and Thomas Gibson, Chairman Bureau of Safety. In the middle row from left to right—the Japanese Team: C. N. Sunada, Y. Ogasawara, T. Furushiro, I. Tashima, M. Sunada. In the top row from left to right—Andrew Brown, Harry Stokes, Allen Stokes, Egido Rizzonelli, John Barwick. First-Aid Clubhouse on right.

SUPERINTENDENT F. L. DAVIS

At whose mines the largest number of Union Pacific men received first-aid training. He also had a remarkable number of men practiced in the use of the oxygen-breathing apparatus.

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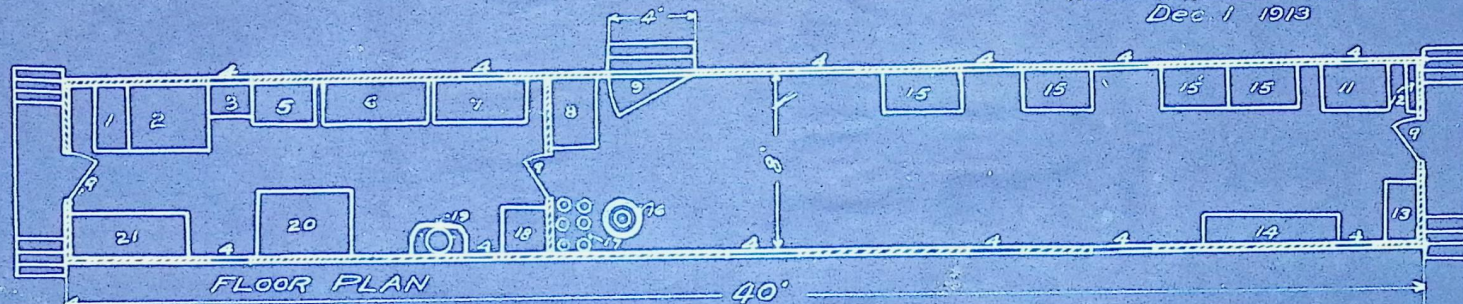
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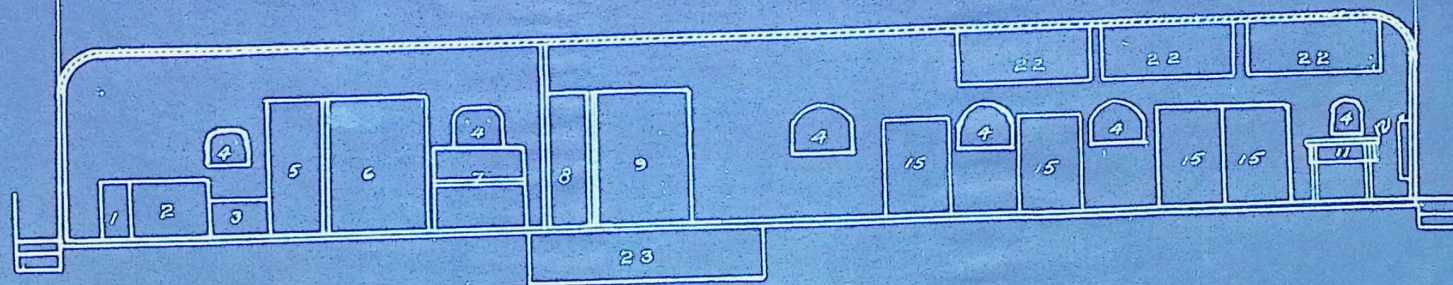
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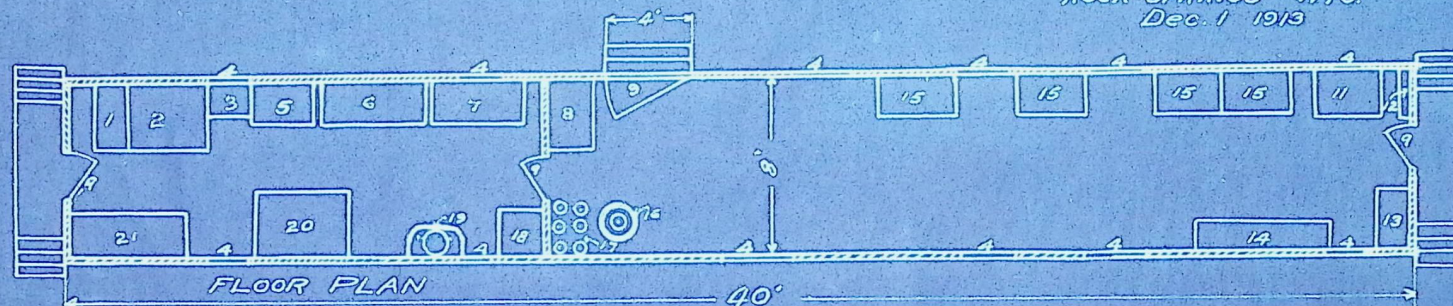


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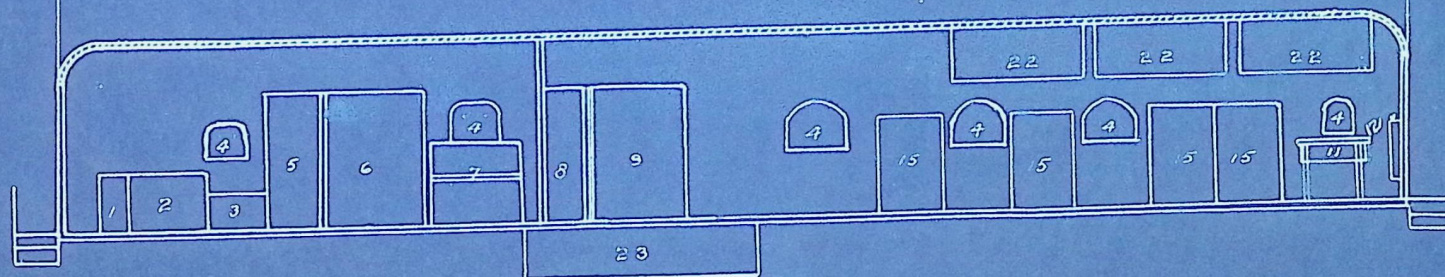
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LONGITUDINAL SECTION



Photo by
S. Trakew



Photo by
S. Granger

THE UNION PACIFIC COAL COMPANY.

Omaha, Nebraska.
July.
Twenty-sixth,
Nineteen Sixteen.

Mr. Thomas Gibson, Chairman,
Bureau of Safety,
Rock Springs, Wyoming.

Dear Sir:

I am today sending to each of our Camps, namely, Rock Springs, Reliance, Hanna and Superior, circulars announcing the itinerary of the United States Government Safety First Special, which you will note will be in Hanna Aug. 12th and Rock Springs Aug. 15th, for the inspection of the public.

I think it would be well to have these posters put in conspicuous places; also have the matter brought up at the First Aid meetings so that the residents of Hanna and Rock Springs and vicinity may have an opportunity of inspecting the Government Special, which will undoubtedly be very interesting and especially more so to those interested in first aid work.

I think perhaps it would be a good idea for you to arrange to be in Hanna on Aug. 12th and Rock Springs on Aug. 15th.

I trust you will do your utmost to bring out a goodly crowd at each Hanna and Rock Springs, in order to show the officials in charge of the train, our appreciation of the courtesy for stopping at Hanna and Rock Springs, which are among the few favored points on the Union Pacific.

Yours truly,

RMB-J.

CC-Mr. W. D. Brennan
Mr. C. B. Pryde,
Mr. D. J. Thomas
Mr. F. L. McCarty
Mr. F. S. Davis,
Mr. W. M. Hartman

F. J. [Signature]
Vice-Pres. & Gen'l Mgr.

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