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Jansen Iron & Steel Company-- Oxford Furnace, NJ

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THE DELAWARE, LACKAWANNA & WESTERN RAILROAD CO.



Office of Principal Assistant Engineer.

A. J. NEAFIE,
Principal Assistant Engineer.

Hoboken, N. J., May 19, 1906.



Mr. T. E. Clarke,
General Supt.,

Dear sir;-

I have your letter to Mr. Bush dated May 5th, covering the Jansen Iron & Steel Co's plant at Oxford Furnace. Mr. Bush is desirous of having me write you covering this matter. I wish to state that the track conditions at Oxford Furnace are as follows;

That the mill property at that point was sold to the Empire Steel & Iron Co. and that the Empire Steel & Iron Co. sold it to Jansen Bros. and reserved the right to the use of tracks to their plant. Track No. 1, which parallels our main track, I think is owned by our Company. However, there is a question as to this. However, we are claiming ownership of this track. I think with this track, that we will require no other tracks at this point. I will advise you later in this matter, as I am arranging to get the deeds and transfers of said property to Jansen Bros. by the Empire Steel & Iron Co. I have also taken up with Jansen Bros. relative to securing a copy of their deed, or any agreement they have covering the use of tracks at that point. I will advise you in detail covering this matter, as soon as the matter has been thrashed out.

Yours truly,

P. A. E.

AJN

17998

May 5, 1906,

Subject: Siding for Jansen Iron & Steam Co. Oxford Furnace.

Mr. L. Bush,
Chief Engineer,

Dear Sir:-

Referring to enclosures:

Since receipt of your letter of December 8, we have received new print from division engineer Cantine (which I hand you herewith) showing tracks as now existing.

It is a question whether it is necessary to purchase track 1, shown in red, and track 2, shown in green, and I will leave it for you to decide. Their use is indispensable, however, and if any complication likely to arise as to our right to use a portion or all of either track, it may be advisable to purchase.

Track 1 appears to be on our land, and also the connecting ends of track 2. Our agent at Oxford Furnace says he is informed by local authorities of the Empire Steel & Iron Company that under the agreement by which it transferred to Jansen Brothers the property which they occupied, a joint right of way was reserved by the E. S. & I. Co., so that, apparently, the Jansen Brothers could give you title only subject thereto.

The agent also states that we have no right to handle the business of or materials for the Pequest Company on these tracks. We use the tracks variously daily and it would seem

that we should control them either by contract or ownership.

I should like to have both the old and new prints for my file when you are through with them.

Yours truly,

General Superintendent.

C-B

Enc.

THE DELAWARE, LACKAWANNA & WESTERN RAILROAD CO.



OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT,
SCRANTON, PA.

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E. M. RINE,
Superintendent.

February 28th, 1906.

Mr. T. E. Clarke,

General Superintendent, Building.

Dear Sir:-

Your letter of December 14th. Division Engineer Cantine has prepared a new blueprint showing location of tracks at Oxford Furnace as they are at present. The former blueprint was one made some years ago, since which time certain tracks have been removed. The tracks that I would recommend be purchased, if necessary, from the Jansen Brothers are shown on blueprint as tracks 1 and 2. Track 1 (colored in red) is located according to the new print on the property of this Company; track 2 (colored in green) is located upon the property of the Jansen Brothers. To dispense with the use of these tracks would mean that the Company would have to provide additional tracks, and I presume it would be cheaper to purchase them as they lay than to construct new tracks. Please note Agent Oxford's letter dated December 19th attached.

Yours respectfully,

THE DELAWARE, LACKAWANNA & WESTERN RAILROAD CO.



E. I. CANTINE,
Division Engineer.

Morris & Essex Division
Bangor & Portland Railway

OFFICE OF DIVISION ENGINEER.

C/FK

Hoboken, N. J., Feb. 24, 1906.

Mr. E. M. Rine,
Superintendent.

Dear Sir:

Yours of December 29th.

I enclose you herewith blue print which show the tracks which serve the property known as the Jansen Iron & Steam Co. at Oxford Furnace, N. J. This print does not show the tracks layout used by the Empire Steel Co. except the lead there to ~~them~~.

I return you all correspondence.

Yours truly,

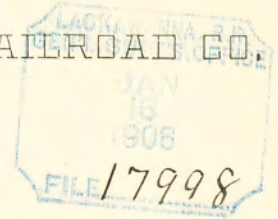
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Division Engineer.

THE DELAWARE, LACKAWANNA & WESTERN RAILROAD CO.



OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT,
SCRANTON, PA.



E. M. RINE,
Superintendent.

January 15th, 1906.

File 16693.

Mr. T. E. Clarke,
General Superintendent, Building.

Dear Sir:-

Your favor of December 14th relative to industrial track at plant of the Jansen Iron & steel Co., Oxford Furnace. I am waiting for a blueprint from Hoboken in connection with this matter, and as soon as same is received will let you have my reply.

Yours respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "E. M. Rine".



The Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad Co.

OXFORD FURNACE, N. J.

Station, Dec 19 1905

Mr E. M. Rine,
Superintendent,
Dear Sir:

Subject
Janson Steel & Iron Co. tra

Referring to papers in above subject, I do not see how we can possibly get along without the tracks referred to in these papers now that the Empire Steel & Iron Co's blast furnace is going in operation again. The blue print attached hereto is out of date. The round track on west end of rolling mill and the stub track on east end of rolling mill have both been removed. The tracks remaining are no 1, parallel to our main line, no 2 running between the mill factory & store house and the furnace track which must be kept clear for switching engine to work. There is practically no storage room for cars at the furnace. The only storage track we have is either no 1 or no 2 as shown on blue print. Both of these



The Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad Co.

OXFORD FURNACE, N. J. Station, Dec. 19 1905

tracks are on the Janson property. I understand from the Empire Steel Iron Co. local authorities that the Janson people cannot remove these tracks under their agreement with the Empire Co who hold a joint right of way reserved in the transfer of the property to the Jansons.

This right of way, however, gives us no right to handle Piquet Co. furnace material, coke, coal, limestone + c as well as switching of pick up trains daily on these tracks.

Our new tail track connects to one of the Janson tracks, no. 1, and new cross over into west end of yard connects to this track also.

If we are not to acquire these tracks or the right to use them I do not see how we are to handle the cars here as the only ^{side} track owned by this Company here is the new tail track leading to the station. Louisbourg W. Dutton aqu

THE DELAWARE, LACKAWANNA & WESTERN RAILROAD CO.



OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT,
SCRANTON, PA.

E. M. RINE,
Superintendent

December 15th, 1905.

Oxford Furnace, industrial track at plant of the Jansen Iron &
Steam Co.

PERSONAL.

Mr. W. J. Axford,
Agent, Oxford Furnace.

Dear Sir:-

Please note attached correspondence relative to
above subject, and let me have your recommendations.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in brown ink, appearing to read "E. M. Rine". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "E" and "M".

THE DELAWARE, LACKAWANNA & WESTERN RAILROAD COMPANY,

OFFICE OF GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT,

SCRANTON, PA.

T. E. CLARKE,
General Superintendent.

December 14, 1905

Subject - Oxford Furnace, industrial track at plant of the
Jansen Iron & Steam Co.

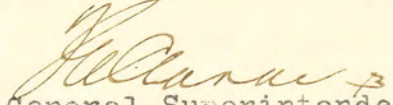
Mr. E. M. Rine,
Superintendent

Dear Sir:

I enclose correspondence from the chief engineer
relative to industrial track to the plant on property of the
Jansen Iron and Steam Company at Oxford Furnace.

What are your recommendations, please?

Yours truly,


General Superintendent

W-M

THE DELAWARE, LACKAWANNA & WESTERN RAILROAD COMPANY,

OFFICE OF GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT,

T. E. CLARKE,
General Superintendent.

SCRANTON, PA.

December 12, 1905

Subject - Oxford Furnace, industrial track at plant of the
Jansen Iron & SteamCo.

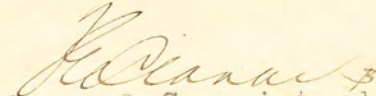
Mr. C. H. Ketcham,
Superintendent

Dear Sir:

I enclose correspondence from the chief engineer
relative to industrial track to the plant on property of the
Jansen Iron and Steam Company at Oxford Furnace.

What are your recommendations, please?

Yours truly,


General Superintendent

W-M

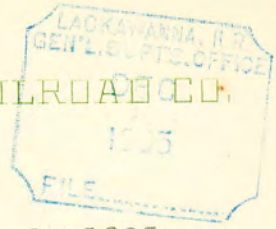
THE DELAWARE, LACKAWANNA & WESTERN RAILROAD

Office of CHIEF ENGINEER.

Hoboken, N. J.

L. BUSH,
Chief Engineer.

Dec. 8, 1905.



SUBJECT: Oxford Furnace, industrial track in the plant
of the Jansen Iron & Steam Company

Mr. T. E. Clarke,
General Superintendent.

Dear Sir:

I inclose you herewith letter from Mr. Neafie on above subject, which is explanatory of the demolition of the Iron Company's plant at that point and their desire to transfer the title of track ownership to the Lackawanna Company. I have had Division Engineer Cantine furnish a blue print showing the track lay out at that point and would like to have you give me your recommendations in regard to the advisability of our company taking over the ownership of tracks in question.

Yours truly,

L. Bush
Chief Engineer.

HLH-L