



The Union Pacific reached Laramie, Wyoming, in 1868, after crossing Evans Pass, the highest point on the UP's part of the transcontinental line. This westward view of the 1868 grade is about 10 miles south of Laramie and the same distance north of Evans Pass, with the snowcapped Medicine Bow Mountains in the distance.



Northward view at same location as previous. The double-track 1918 UP grade is about 3 miles east of this location.



In UP's Laramie yard, a train of quarter-mile-long welded tracks awaits duty.



In 1911, the Laramie, Hahn's Peak & Pacific Railroad started construction around 1905 from this connection with the UP mainline to coal deposits in north-central Colorado., which it reached in 1911. The line has since been abandoned, except for part of the wye, shown here. Note the two cars stored on the wye.



The cars just beyond the gravel pile and stop sign are the two cars seen stored in the previous photo on the only rails that remains on the LHP&P grade. Note LHP&P ties left in place in the foreground.



The rails are completely gone on the other branch of the Laramie wye, but nobody bothered to remove the ties.



Another view of the wye for the LHP&P, with the rail train on a siding of the UP mainline.