

HERMAN SCHUPFER

Kendrick; b. 1892

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1.5 hours

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Side A		
01	32	Make-up of a thrashing crew: oiler, separator tender, bundle haulers, strawbuck, fireman, band cutters, jig, sack sewers, flunky, cooks, waterbuck, night watchman.
17	38	Tramway accidents. Tramway operation. Hiking up the hill to the upper warehouse at 6:00 a.m. Making a go-devil to ride down the tramway tracks; out of control and bailing out.
28	42	Train hauling rails from Troy derails near Kendrick; conductor cuts caboose loose and is fired, engineer and fireman killed. Going cross-country with a thrashing machine.
Side B		
00	44	Floods on high water frequently washed out the railroad tracks, leaving towns stranded. Work train trapped by washouts rolls in the creek, knocking out bridges as it washes down. Optical illusions in a stranded caboose. Rails just stick out of the water by Juliaetta. Runaway engine sidetracked. Child drowned in Kendrick during flood.
16	49	Italian work crews on handcars, singing and pumping. Hopping freights. Everybody used the trains. Playing tricks on the conductor.
25	52	Hoboes. Purley Chaney tricks a hobo. Riding the cowcatcher from Kendrick to Juliaetta.
Side C		
00	54	Didn't need account books when in garage business. No need for hunting licenses. Sign in the muddy streets: <u>No Duck Hunting Allowed</u> . Automobiles on blocks for the winter.
03	55	Motorcycles. Social life. Saturday night dances.
12	58	Hoboes and the IWW. Most people would go easy on collecting debts. Poor farm north of Moscow. Everybody was poor.

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Side C (continued)

18	60	Binding and shocking hay. Self-subsistence. Gas-powered corn sheller. Chores. Fruit-raising. Making vinegar, wine, and cider.
24	62	Running the capper at the Juliaetta cannery. To get a job in the cannery you were supposed to buy stock. Cannery operation. 10,000 cans is a record day. Other jobs.

with Rob Moore
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