

MP 11.8 20' Arch Concrete

Mile 10.7 Trail MP 9.7 Over Santiago Road

Under West Switch at North Star Wye No dates in concrete

Looking south on Santiago Road

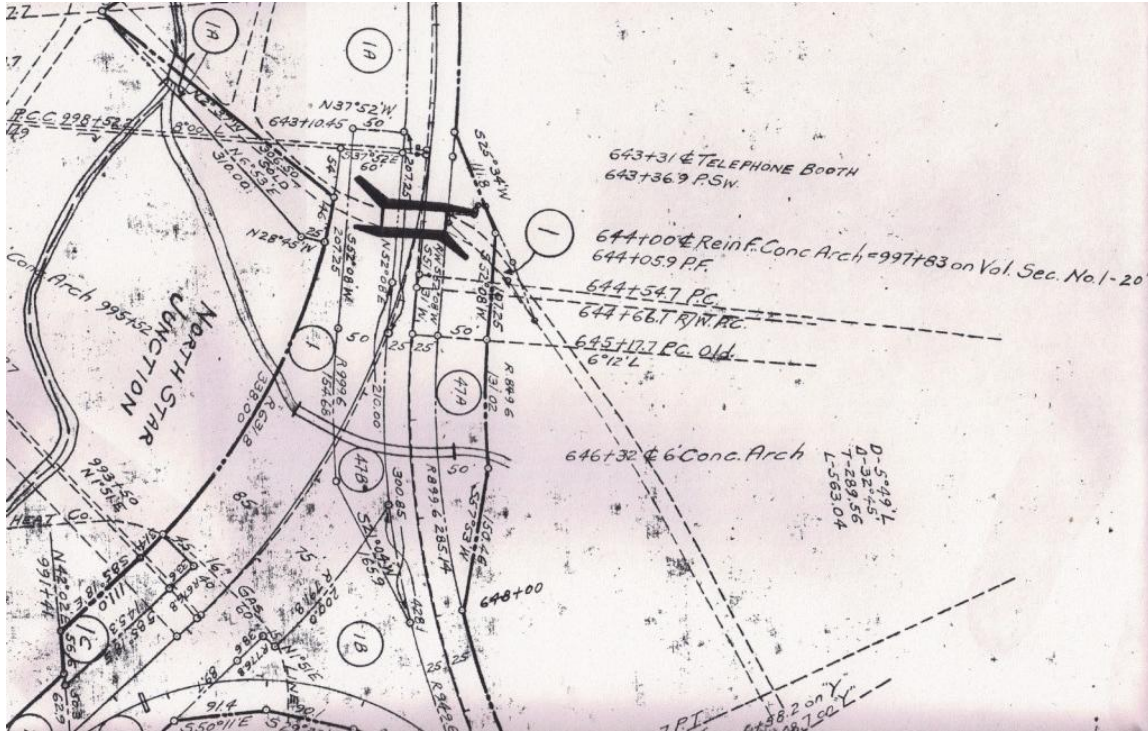


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Looking north on Santiago Road. North Star Junction wye is to the left of frame.



Valuation Plan shows bridge as a reinforced concrete arch, under west switch of North Star Junction wye. The original main line continued to the lower center and on to the town of Tyre. The leg to the lower left was the Mifflin Extension built in 1913-14. Note telephone booth just above bridge beside switch.



Courtesy Greg Corcoran

Empty hoppers head eastbound over bridge at North Star onto beginning of Mifflin Extension. West switch and bridge are about 5 or 6 cars behind engines.



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1967 aerial view shows North Star Junction wye with bridge over Santiago Road at upper center. Boggs Road is at top left. Main line from Imperial enters at top right. Original main line curving to bottom left along Santiago Road was then being used as a tail track to turn locomotives. Main line to Mifflin leaves frame at left center.

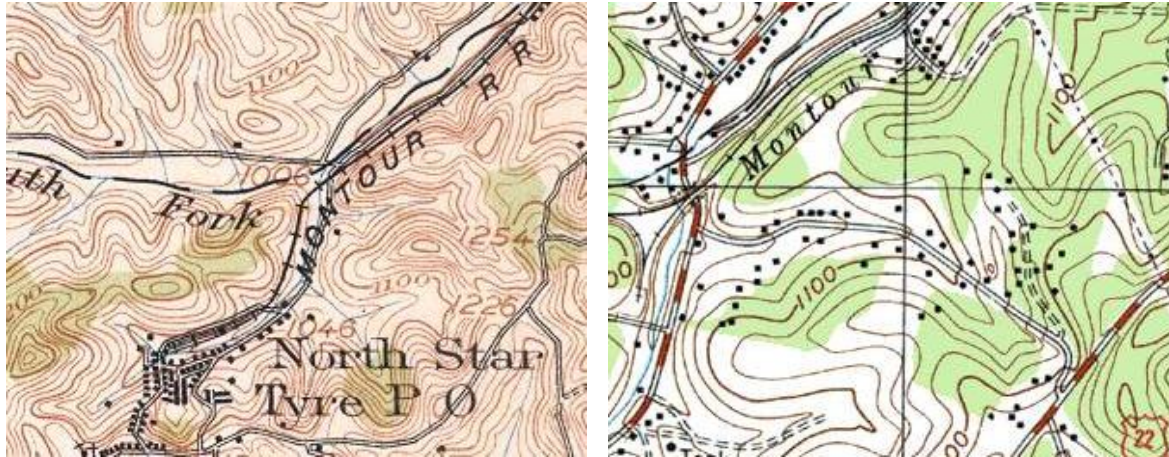


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Satellite view shows Trail following main line onto Mifflin Extension. Faint traces of wye are visible in trees below main line and to left of Santiago Road. The Wye and tail tracks still have old ties in the ground along the rights-of-way.



Topo maps compare original and later railroad main line. Left Map is from 1905, with railroad curving south to town of North Star, with Post Office named Tyre. Santiago Road parallels railroad, with Boggs Road to left along South Fork of Montour Run. Right Map shows North Star Junction wye track at left edge center. Original main line is now a truncated tail track, with Mifflin Extension curving to left center. Santiago Road is the red & white dashed road.



Courtesy Bob Ciminell

Westbound coal train in 1981 approaches the west wye switch, coming from the Mifflin Extension onto the original main line. The Santiago Road bridge is just beyond the phone booth and under the switch. Note that the switch stand signifies the Mifflin Extension as the normal setting for the switch, and the original railroad, now part of the wye track, as the diverging route.



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