



Workers and Coal-Fired Steam Pumping

Some of the workers at the Chestnut Hill pumping station worked outside of the building. The station's fire

Maintaining the boilers was not mindless work. A thoughtless mistake--firing an empty boiler, letting the

When the steam engine pump was working properly, there weren't many tasks, so the shift crew was sm

The men would constantly "walk the engines down" to polish brass, replenish oil, and listen. They were s

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