

On a cold blustery morning of January 12th, 2012 a Canadian National maintenance crew complete the removal process of the former C&NW/IC diamond, near 2nd Avenue and 13th Street in Council Bluffs, Iowa. Straight rail has been installed while an ex-DM&IR tamper works the line. Nearly one year ago this Union Pacific (ex-C&NW) line was taken out of service as it no longer served two Bunge grain elevators, which were the last remaining customers on the line. This line was once the key line to Omaha and connected with the Douglas Street line across the Missouri River in Omaha.

Another piece of history comes to a close. Long live the memories of the Chicago and North Western Railway.

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