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Over 500 men are rushing the work of ballasting the new track of the DSS&A from Nestoria to Iron River, the junction with the NP. The men are working in four directions-west from Nestoria and east and west, from Dogwood and east from Iron River junction. Three steam shovels are being worked night and day and unless the mosquitoes kill the men the South Shore will be ready for through traffic by August 1.