

Here in Roanoke (Start film) - - - the Norfolk and Western Railway has some cheering news for some of its furloughed employes. (Show film)

President Stuart Saunders says that the N&W is calling back 840 more furloughed workers during January. In addition to the 620 shop employes already that the N&W had ~~XXXXXX~~ said are being recalled, a total of 1,460 men will be returned to work this month. Saunders gave out this happy news at a meeting of the Norfolk and Western's Better Service Club last night at Hotel Roanoke. More than 500 people were on hand. Whats more - Saunders told the crowd - a very substantial portion of the recalled workers will be in Roanoke. The industrialist termed the mass layoffs by the N&W last years as "distressing." But - he said - "we didn't have any choice."

Saunders also revealed that a concrete plan for merger the ~~XXXXXX~~ of the N&W and the Virginian will be presented to N&W stockholders soon. The certain- consolidation of the two lines is "progressing

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"satisfactorily" says Saunders.

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