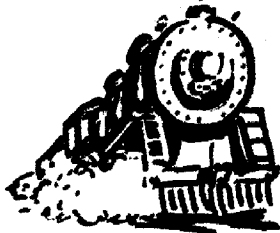


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PACIFIC NORTHWEST REGION
NATIONAL MODEL RAILROAD ASSOCIATION

MARCH 1976

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ARE HERE AGIN
THE SEASON FOR TO SING
SO LET'S ALL GO
TO THE CLINIC AND SHOW
AT OAKRIDGE IN THE SPRING!

SUNDAY MARCH 21st

1:00 P.M. Oakridge Auditorium

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Styles' (C.P.Rly - Steam (G.N.Rly
SLIDES (C.N.Rly - Steam PLUS &
(B.C.E.Rly. - Electric - (Milw.

ADDED FEATURE!

Participation Clinic
Hand Car and Tool Shed kit - 60¢ ea.
(Bring white glue, Contact cement and a knife.)

ADMISSION:

By donation or paid up Dues Card. Coffee included.

WANTED:

Your Models, dioramas, Literature, etc to fill Display Tables.

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COMING!! Our next clinic (probably May 2nd, 1976) will detail the
method of tuning-up a brass locomotive. Watch for next issue.



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APRIL 24 - 25

REGISTRATION : Rails \$10.00 each; Couples \$15.00

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N O M I N A T I O N S

It is THAT time of our 7th Division once again.

NOMINATIONS are open for any members desirous of submitting their names to 'run' for the election of a 7th Division vice-president (or superintendent). You have until April 15th, 1976 to submit your's or a friend's name, along with a few lines expressing your opinion why this person would be a suitable candidate for the vice-presidents position.

Please mail your submissions to our Election Committee Chairman;-

Ross Heriot
3905 West 21st Avenue
Vancouver, B.C. V6S 1H7

(Ross Heriot is in the Vancouver General Hospital, Heather Pavillion awaiting another operation. Nothing would suit him better than to be swamped with Nominations. Good luck, Ross, we are all thinking of you!)

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The VANCOUVER HO MODEL RAILWAY CLUB is still keeping up good public relations. The last Friday of the months of January and February open house drew about 200 spectators each night, plus the extra evenings when cubs or scouts and even Job's Daughters have attended in groups.

At the last Annual General Meeting the following slate was elected;-

President - Rick Ruegg
Vice-President - Greg Madsen
Sec-Treasurer - Gordon Richardson
Member-at-Large - Roy Morris

Many thanks to John Green who has done a good job for the Club, also Gordon Richardson, who didn't even get a Nomination to contest the position he has been handling for the Club in a first class manner. Congratulations, Gordon, Rick, Greg and Roy!!

PLACE - 1027 Duchess Avenue, West Vancouver BC

1. LOCOMOTIVES - Toby Models - C.P.R. 4-6-2 G2
 " " " 4-6-2 G3
 " " " 2-8-2 P2
 " " " 2-8-0 Consol. open cab
 United Ma & Pa 2-8-0
 Tenshodo U.S.R.A. 0-8-0
2. MAINTENANCE OF WAY EQUIPMENT - Wrecking cranes, etc.
3. FREIGHT CARS - Various Road Names and some Model Railroad names,
Hooker tank cars.
4. BUILDINGS - Misc. buildings, stations, water towers, stores, etc.
5. BOOKS - Vancouver Island Railroads, Twilight of Steam, Railroads in the
Woods, Logging Railroads of the West, Narrow Gauge in the Rockies,
and others.
6. LAYOUT - Some parts of the layout are for sale. You look after the
cutting and removing of the same.

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BURLINGTON NORTHERN, CANADIAN NATIONAL & B.C. HYDRO in Mission. B.C.?? BN is operating one train per day each way between Sumas and New Westminster, I saw it headed for New West. about 10 AM one morning and I understand it returns in the evening. CNR is coming and going at all times of the day between New Westminster via Mission to Port Mann and return. BC Hydro has a train out of New Westminster about noon each day via Mission to Huntingdon and returning in the evening. Its a good thing the CPRail mainline is double tracked between Coquitlam and Mission. All this re-routing is the result of the Railway Bridge across the Fraser River at New Westminster being knocked out by a run away barge during a wind storm, last December. It is expected that the bridge will not be reopened for rail traffic until sometime in May at the earliest. In the meantime CN is busing passengers to Port Mann and return, while Amtrak is using AMBUS from Vancouver to Seattle and return.

BC Hydro has 3 new MPL5's from EMD. They are operating out of Huntingdon down to the south side of the Fraser River bridge, switching and returning to Huntingdon the same day.

BC Rly has purchased 4 RDC3's from Amtrak. They arrived in BC with 3 of them in original Northern Pacific colours and one in GN sky blue.

Extra No. 7 West March 5th 1976

Our last Clinic on February 1st at the Oakridge Auditorium was a repeat of a previous Slide and Movie presentation (during the post office strike), depicting the structures, equipment and scenes along the Nimpkish Valley Railway division of Canfor Ltd. on northern Vancouver Island. The slides by Tom Beaton and the movies by Brian Pate were truly tremendous and were enjoyed by an appreciative audience of about sixty persons.

Our last issue of the Bulletin Board was printed on a reconditioned "Roneo" machine, which has since been purchased by your standing committee. Our old Gestetner was getting that it was costing too much to keep working and the cost of an overhaul would have been prohibitive. However, it has served the 7th Division well and we hope our newer machine will be as serviceable and keep Bill Galovich, our printer, happy at his duties. Also of note, your last issue of the Bulletin Board was forwarded in envelopes by first class mail. They were deposited at the Post Office on the Sunday and most of the Lower Mainland members received them the next morning. Even though the cost is about double, we are at least getting satisfactory results, whereas the former method was always in doubt, especially the last year while there was so much unrest in the Postal Department. Even at that, we are not alone, as the Oregon and Washington States of the USA are experiencing much the same inconveniences with their postal services.

The combined 4th and 7th Division's Bi-Centennial Mini-Meet at Bellingham proved to be a real winner! In my estimation, and from various comments I heard, it was as good as a Convention. Commendations are in order for Alex Coleman, Doug Doolittle and their Whatcom Railroad Association members for a first class event. The 7th Division can be proud to be a part of this Meet.

The Fan Trip on the Lake Whatcom Railway started off very cool, but once they got the steam line hooked up to O-6-O ex NP #1070 and the "clicks" announced the arrival of steam heat, things began to warm up. A fresh fall of snow covered the rails all the way up the hill, but at Wickersham, Lo and behold we were treated to the only sunshine of that morning, just to please the camera fans.

The Commercial Exhibits represented the Retail/Wholesalers between Seattle, Washington and Vancouver, B.C.. The 7th Division made a good showing with their displays and layouts with Hank Menkfeld's "N" Scale Module, Carl Sparks' "N" Scale layout, Tom Beaton's Shay Logging Circle and tree making clinic, Vancouver HO Club's diorama, Nor-West Club's Car Kits, Frank McKinney's perpetual motion, Al Smaltz's display of Motive Power, Dave Simpson's handiwork in all scales, and Fraser Wilson's and Ted Clarke's B.C. Electric Railway models.

Movies, slides and/or clinics were shown on the hour each day. The Public attendance at the displays on Saturday was very good, but as a result of the snow storm Sunday morning, attendance dropped to a mere trickle for the rest of the day.

Four layouts were open to members, but it was necessary to make one own transportation arrangements. I wasn't able to get to any of the layouts, so cannot report on them.

The Railettes were given a double-decker bus tour to Fairhaven, the old townsite. We didn't get back from the train ride in time for my wife to take this tour, so, once again, no report. A Luncheon and Terarium demonstration was attended by about twenty railettes on Sunday at noon.

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Extra No. 7 West March 5th 1976 (Continued)

The Contest Models in Rolling Stock, Structures, Dioramas and Motive Power: Steam or Diesel attracted a steady audience both days.

The Banquet on Saturday proved to be a good Buffet type dinner with Salmon, Ham and Baron of Beef as the main entrees (and they were delicious!) After dinner we were shown lantern slides of the early days of what was to become the Bellingham of to-day. The slides were very well presented by Mr. Galen Byrie with good shots of steam engines, trains, street cars and interurbans....and a few wrecks and also a marathon race. Later, 4th Division Awards were presented and the door prizes distributed.

The meet was very well attended with members from all parts of Washington, Oregon and B.C..

Coming up on March 21st (Sunday) at the Oakridge Auditorium will be a slide presentation by Stan Styles and a participation clinic by Frank McKinney. You will be able to see part of Stan Styles' collection of slides depicting C.P. and C.N. steam plus B.C.E.R., Milwaukee and G.N. electrification. Frank McKinney's clinic will be the construction of a Hand Car and Tool Shed, from a Bordertown Kit which will cost the participants 60¢ each. Please bring the tools of the craft, making sure you include white glue, contact cement and a knife. Also a paid-up DUES card. If you aren't paid up, bring your remittance with you. And how about something for the display tables, they sure looked bare at our last clinic. Coffee will be served between clinics.

4th Division and P.N.R. lost another good model railroader in the person of Nathan Oxhandler who has had to move to the east coast. In the meantime Duane Damgaard has been appointed to take over as 4th Division vice-president for the balance of Nate's term. Duane was also awarded the first "Rubber Duck" plaque for his efforts in tracking down trains with radio frequency receivers - 10 - 4, over and out!, at the Bellingham Banquet.

LOOKING AHEAD — Lake Whatcom Railway is to operate a 5th Anniversary Special on Saturday, June 5th, 1976 at 11 am, 1 and 3 pm.. Reserved seats are available in the Private Car "Madison River" as well as deluxe reserved seat coach and regular coach seats. See their new Coffee Shop Coach (Ex NP 1681) which has about 8 seats along the coffee bar and the remainder of the car has reclining coach seats. Fares for this event are \$2.50 for adults, \$1.50 for children on the regular coach. Reserved deluxe seats (coach) \$3.00 and private car - open observation seats \$8.00 (only 11 of these seats). Send your reservations and enquiries to Happy Birthday, Lake Whatcom Railway, Box 6, Wick-ersham, Wa. 98285 USA.

The Sumpter Valley Railroad in Oregon is planning a live steam operation on the July 4th weekend.

The 7th Division annual Picnic and Fan Trip on the Royal Hudson to Squamish will likely be on a Saturday and a Sunday in July.

The 1976 PNR Evergreen Bi-Centennial Convention is to be in Seattle from September 1st to 6th with 6 FULL days of activities winding up on Labour Day.

A Hobby Show is to be organized for next October or November in the Oakridge Auditorium. Further details as they become known.

1977 NMRA - Denver, Colorado. PNR - Vancouver, BC

1979 NMRA - Calgary, Alberta with CNR #6060 scheduled.

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