

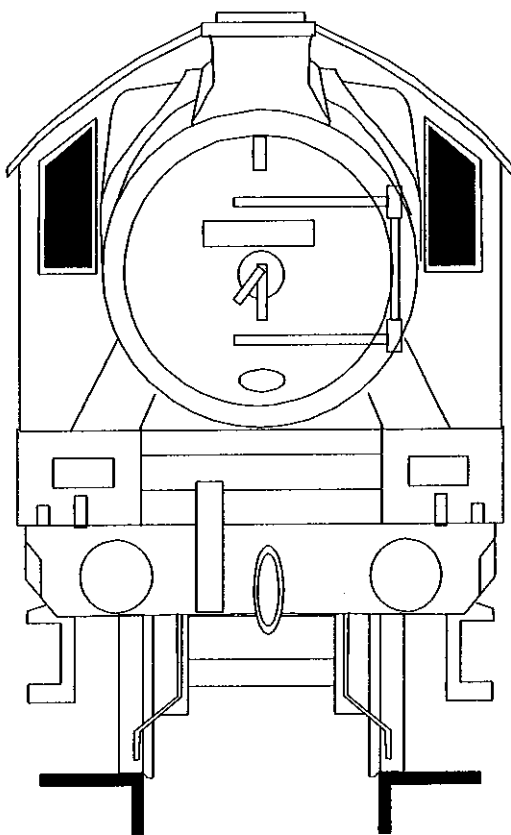


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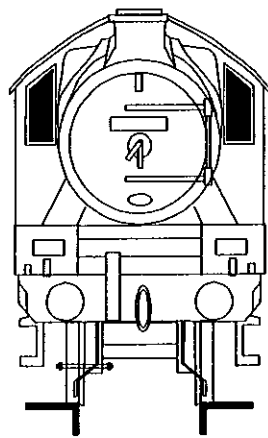
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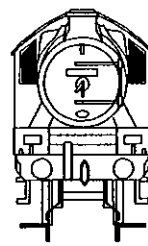
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A comparison of some of the scales
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standard gauge modelling

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The Editor comments:

Richard Starchuck

The start of the year has been very busy for both John and myself. What with my school courses and an illness in the family, its been hard to get any model railroading done. John will have moved to North Vancouver by the time you read this, so please note his new address and telephone number. Other items on tap are the Standing Committee elections, Gary Hazell's Interior Report, Model Railroading in Prince Rupert, and the moving of the Sunday Workshops to the Cameron Recreation Centre.

Don't forget that the NMRA membership drive is still in full force. In the last six months, ending in January 1992, the NMRA had a net gain of 703 members for a total membership of 25,968. If you know of any potential members, point out the benefits to him or her, and lets be a Quota Buster, eh!

Cover:

To help you at the workshop in March, some of the many scales of British standard gauge modelling are shown. Comparing N scale, the North American standard is 1/160 (1.905 mm scale) which is proportionally smaller (8%) than British N scale, but both scales use the same track.

Standing Committee Elections:

This is an election year for the executive. The positions open for a two year term are: Superintendent, Assistant Superintendent, Secretary, Treasurer and director-at-large. All positions are open for nomination. The nominating committee is John Moore. We would like some representation from areas outside the Lower Mainland. The voting ballot is enclosed and under each of the candidates names for each position is a blank space. You may vote for *only one* of the candidates in *each* category whose name is on the ballot, or write in a name of your own choice in the blank space and vote for that person instead. (This person must be a seventh division member in good standing). Please mail the ballots to John Moore at 22660 - 121 Ave., Maple Ridge, B.C. V2X 3T4 so that he receives them before the Annual General Meeting on May 10, 1992. The ballots will be counted at this meeting.

Interior Report:

by Gary Hazell

The Salmon Arm Club has lost thier space in the Cedarvale Mall. The mall was purchased in December by local interests and is now known as Picadilly Place. We has less that one weeks notice as they temporarily needed the washrooms that were in our area. At present we haven't found a new home, but will make do of some temporary space where two or three modules can be set up and worked on. We will still meet Tuesday nights but if anyone is thinking of visiting please call Graham at 832-6119 or myself at 832-2161.

For those of you interested, C.P. Rail has been blasting in their two tunnels in Shuswap Lake. The first I knew of this was a few weeks ago when we woke to bumps in the middle of the night, and looked around the house to no avail. A few nights later we heard the clear whistle before the blasts, and I found out the railroad was getting six hour work blocks from 2300 to 0500 hours.

The Golden Club has added four corners to their N scale layout which now measures twelve by sixteen feet. They have modified a trailer to transport the layout and travelled to Calgary for the hobby show in November. They are meeting Saturday mornings in the basement of a school, and if anyone is in the area give Herb a call during the day at 344-2228.

The Logan Lake Club has been working to build four corner modules in HO scale. These corner modules will be owned by the club and members will be invited to build connecting modules. There are currently ten members who meet once a month. Logan Lake is populated by 2500 people who work with or in conjunction with the mine. There are also retired folk who have moved from the Lower Mainland. The club and the town have a very ambitious project in building a miniature railway around the lake; a distance of nearly three kilometres. Apparently money has been promised to build the railroad and the club is hoping to get started on the railway's station which will house the model railroad and

provide space for meetings. The senior citizens are interested in helping out with project. Logan Lake is only twelve miles or twenty kilometres of the Coquihalla Highway between Merritt and Kamloops on the road to Ashcroft. If you are interested in visiting, call Glenn Campbell at 523-6774.

Spring Meet - 1993: As you know this meet will be in the West Kootenays at Easter, Apr 2-5, 1993. The meet is tentatively set for Saturday and Sunday, so people can travel on the Friday arriving in time for an evening registration. This will leave Saturday for the tours, Sunday for the public and Monday to travel home. For those who only get three days off, please put in for an extra day . One of the tours will be of the new Nelson streetcar circuit with Car 23, a Brill car, and the railway museum in a restored CPR caboose. If you recall they had problems with their overhead catenary near the city airport, but these problems have been resolved and the system will be operating this summer. Mike Culham has been involved with the streetcar project for the last five years since its inception. He tells me he is stepping down as president now that the project is near completion, but is still the society's best volunteer. Mike wants to devote more time to model railroading.

The Falkland Model Railroad Club was formed a few weeks ago with seven members that meet Sundays nights at 7 p.m. in the basement of the Falkland Pub. Jim Stotesbury in their spokesman and coincidentally the owner of the Pub. They will me modelling in HO scale. If you wish to contact Jim, please call 379-2344 during the day, or 379-2545 in the evenings.

The Revelstoke Model Railroad Club was recently formed in November with nine members. They held their first election and elected Ed Cooper as their new president. The day after Gordie Hughes died, Ed passed away in his 49th year. Ed had been manager of the TD Bank until having to retire due to poor health. Hopefully the next Interior Report will have more pleasant news and we will find out a little more about the Revelstoke Club.

Video Report

by Earl Ponsford

March 1992

For members in the Greater Vancouver area who do not want to travel to pick up tapes at my house in Port Moody, we will extend the mail out service provided the member is prepared to pay the postage both ways. Please phone to request the tapes you would like to borrow, and I will mail them to you prepaid. When you mail them back prepaid, please enclose a cheque made out to the *7th Division* for \$1.50 per tape. This is to cover the cost of mailing the tapes to you. If you wish to pick up the tapes in person, please give me a call with your request, and I will have them ready for you to pick up when you arrive. If you live outside the Greater Vancouver area, please call or write me, with your request and specify alternatives. We will mail the tapes to you free of charge and when you return them prepaid, you are not required to repay this postage fee.

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7th Division Timetable - March 1992

Sunday,
March 8, 1992:
1 - 4 pm

Workshop - Cameron Recreation Centre
9523 Cameron Street, Burnaby, B.C.
The Top Link Society modelers will be presenting displays and discussing **British** model railroading.
The N scale **Train Gang** will be running their modular **NTrak** layout.

Sunday,
April 12, 1992:
1 - 4 pm

Workshop - Cameron Recreation Centre
9523 Cameron Street, Burnaby, B.C.
A participation workshop on **working with styrene**. Three experts will show you how to build structures using styrene.

Sunday,
May 10, 1992:

Annual General Meeting - More details in next issue. Ballots for Standing Committee executive positions to be counted.

Wed - Sat,
July 1 to 4, 1992:

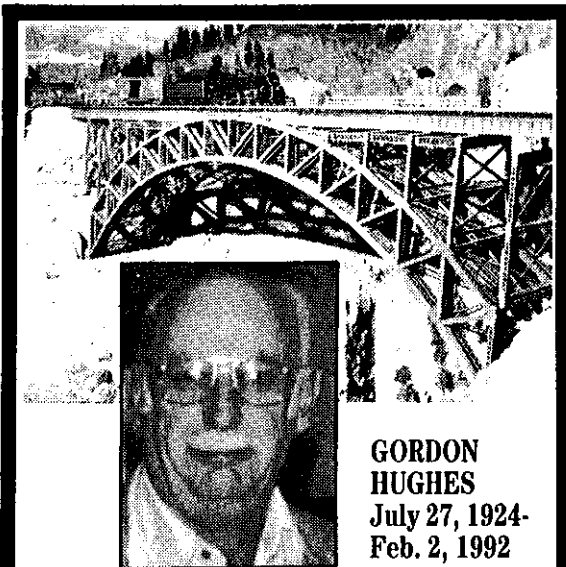
Okanagan Rails 92 - PNR regional meet in Vernon.
See Interior Report for details.

Sunday,
November 8, 1992:

Trains 92 - A smaller version of our annual train show. More details to follow in next issue.

The Vernon Club is getting very busy with the Okanagan Rails '92 PNR meet. As of February 1st, there were sixty-five registrations. The rooms in the Village Green convention headquarters are going fast, however there are still lots of rooms available in adjacent hotels. Do not delay registering and booking rooms as this is the centenary year of Vernon and a lot of activities are planned around this July 1 to 4 weekend.

As a late note we are very saddened to hear of the recent passing on February 2nd, of Gordie Hughes in his 68th year. Gordie, with his tremendous sense of humour and ability to fill anytime with jokes, will be missed dearly by all who knew him. The Vernon Club is fortunate enough to have his superbly detailed models of the Stoney and Mountain Creek bridges on their layout.



**GORDON
HUGHES**
July 27, 1924-
Feb. 2, 1992

It is with sadness we announce the passing on 2 Feb. '92 of Gordie Hughes of Vernon in his 68th year. Gordie will be remembered for his sparkling sense of humor, his friendship and his love of model railroading. An accomplished scratch builder, he is largely responsible for the Stoney Creek and Surprise Creek bridges on the Vernon Club layout. All of us who knew him are saddened by his passing.

".... Do not delay registering"



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July 1 to 4, 1992
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Model Railroading in Prince Rupert

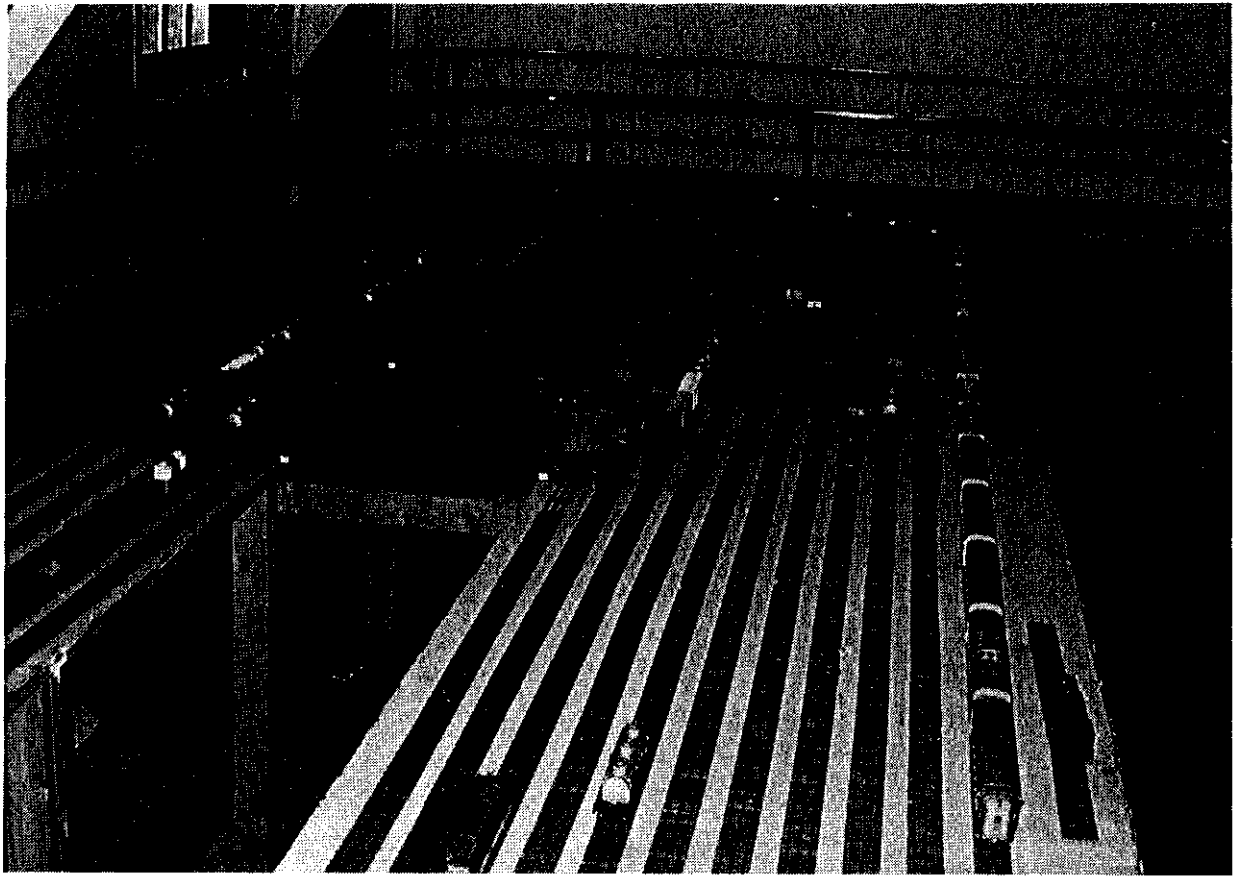
How many of you out there in the 7th Division have ever seen an O-scale tinplate layout that is almost 1/3 of a kilometre long! Well I never even contemplated one that size until Ken Haun of Kitimat, B.C. sent me a letter and a photo.

This tinplate layout is called the Grand Trunk Pacific Model Railroad association and is located in the former Skeena River Cannery, now preserved and operated by the North Coast Marine Museum Society. The layout was obtained from the estate of Norman Kinslor of Prince Rupert. After his death in 1989, his huge layout was passed on to the model railroad club. The photo shows just one end of the system, so just think what the rest of the layout looks like.

Public visiting the museum can watch the layout in operation from a corridor of the building via a viewing window. A quarter placed in a coin machine treats the viewer to three minutes of fast-paced railroad excitement. Nearby is a second room about 6 by 12 metres which is the scene of carpentry, gyproc sheets and wiring. This will house the club's HO-scale layout. The eight adult members, of whom three have home layouts, have spent three years renovating this room to prepare it for model construction, which is now scheduled to begin this March.

In the meantime, in accordance with the Museum Society's requirements, the club is building a smaller HO-scale display layout, depicting a section of the Skeena River and the CNR main line that parallels it.

If any members get up to the Prince Rupert area, be sure to drop in and see this layout, it is worth the visit just to see the dedication and perseverance of these members.



Grand Trunk Pacific Model Railroad Association O gauge tinplate layout in Prince Rupert, August 1991.

Workshop Notes:

by Vies Szalanski

The March 8th workshop will be the first to be held in our new Cameron Recreation Centre location. The Top Link modellers will be demonstrating and discussing their English prototype and how they model it. In addition the Train Gang will be operating their N scale modular railroad and fielding any questions you may have.

The April workshop will be a participation session on working with styrene. Tom Beaton, Gordon Varney and Cyril Meadows will lead you through the process of building scale structures using styrene. These three experts have a lot of expertise of which you can share in by participating. Make plans to be there.

The Biggest Locomotive Yet?

One stamp in my railroad collection caught your editor's eye during the Christmas holidays. A stamp issued by Gabon (Sc *) depicted a Russian locomotive with 14 driving wheels, a 4-14-4 no less!

Build by the Lugansk Locomotive Works in 1934, Russia needed it for the heavy coal traffic in the Donetz basin. It was designed for 5ft. gauge and was just under 110' 9" long with the tender, and weighed in at 327.5 tons. The rigid wheel base was 33' long so it had difficulty in moving thru the turnouts and around curves where it had a bad habit of spreading the rails and taking to the ties.

Russia's engineers realized the problems that the rigid wheel base would give, so they

provided blind drivers on the 3rd, 4th, and 5th pairs. The 1st and 2nd pair had a lateral motion of 1-1/16" on each side of centre. The 6th pair had no lateral motion, the 7th had 1-3/8" on each side of centre. The leading truck had 5-11/15" lateral motion to the right and left, and the trailing truck had 1-3/8". There were many mechanical innovations due to the extreme length of the wheel base too numerous to mention here.

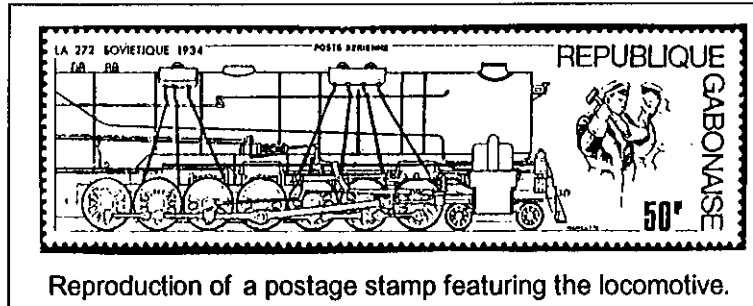
After construction, the locomotive was able to handle a train of 1400 tons, a speed of 25 mph was obtained on a heavy grade, under which the locomotive developed 3,000 hp.

Under steam, the locomotive could navigate a 820 ft radius at 28 mph.

No information seems to be available as to this locomotive's fate, but railroads and their activities were not one of the favourite subjects of the Russian government at that time. The railroads did not perform their

duties promptly and efficiently (has it changed compared to today?) so punishment of the railroad workers was "awarded" by the government. An announcement of a "Major Mystery" in News-week magazine, Jan. 11, 1935 reported: "Last week Soviet trains were still being hauled by Tsarist Locomotives, and after more than three full years of shooting Soviet railwaymen, Dictator Stalin's zealous Comrade Andrey Andreyev had enough of

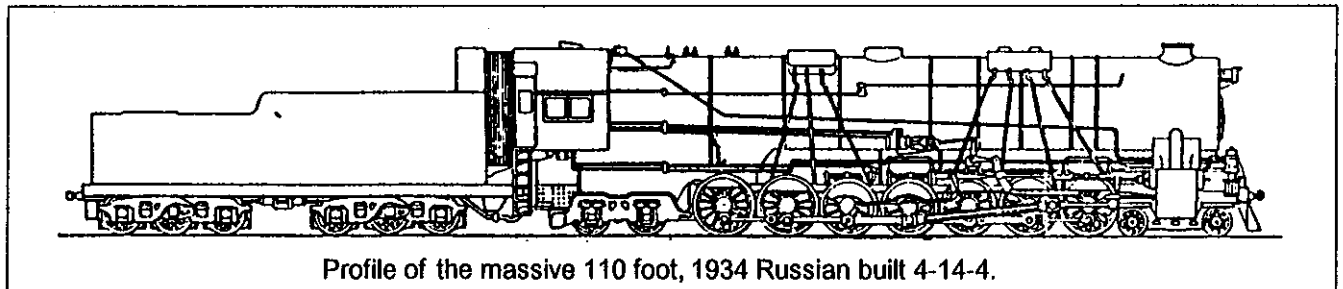
being Commissar of Railways". The new Commissar of Railways selected by Stalin was Lazar Kaganovich who probably decided the fate of the 4-14-4.



Reproduction of a postage stamp featuring the locomotive.

Very few

photographs exist of this locomotive, even an article written by a Russian, Andrew Borisovich Adadurov for an English magazine, was cause for Soviet punishment by 'corrective detention' of several years. It looks like that the behemoth was to be buried quietly with no ceremony and no memories permitted.



Profile of the massive 110 foot, 1934 Russian built 4-14-4.

Vancouver VIA Station renamed:

Vancouver Station, to become a bus/rail intermodal station serving both VIA Rail and Greyhound Line of Canada, has a new name.

In conjunction with the redevelopment of the former Canadian National (née Canadian Northern) facility, it was decided to have a 'name the station contest'.

The winning entry turned out to be *Pacific Central Station*, a name selected from nearly 1000 entries. The winning name was

selected on the basis that it must meet the judges' criteria in terms of reflecting the station's new multimodality, historical character and geographic location.

Some of the 'also-rans' proved more than a little amusing, if inappropriate. A brief sampling includes *The Trained Greyhound*, *The Dog Gone Rail Station*, *The Grey-V-Train Station* and *The VAN-GO Station*. (Branchline Magazine, Feb. 1992)

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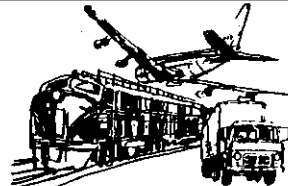
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