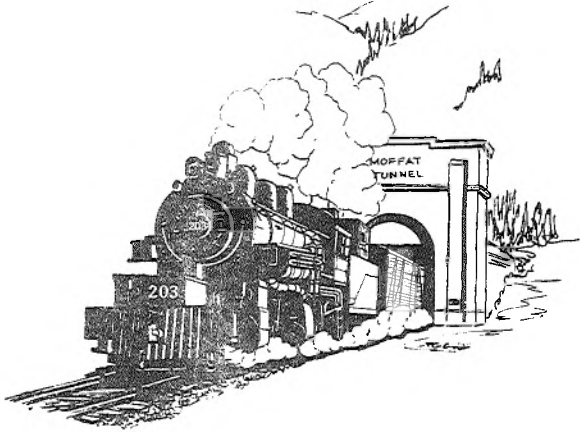


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MEETING NOTICE: DATE AUGUST 11, 1971 - - WEDNESDAY
TIME 7:45 P.M.
PLACE NEW LOCATION!!!! NOTE!!!! MEETING HALL, SOUTHEAST WING, CHRIST
EPISCOPAL CHURCH (EAST SIDE OF BUILDING), 2460 EA. BATES AVE. (2900 S.
UNIVERSITY BLVD.), DENVER, COLORADO. ENTER FROM FREE PRIVATE PARKING
LOT ON EAST SIDE OF CHURCH. OUR NEW HOST IS CLUB MEMBER GERIT BARNES.

PROGRAM NOTES: IN ANTICIPATION OF OUR LABOR DAY EXCURSIONS, SOME OF THE 16MM RAILROAD MOVIES FROM
THE ESTATE OF OTTO C. PERRY WILL BE SHOWN, INCLUDING NARROW GAUGE OPERATIONS AND CLUB EXCURSIONS.

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O. C. PERRY MOVIES ACQUIRED BY CLUB - THE OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS OF THE ROCKY MOUNTAIN RAILROAD CLUB
ARE PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE THAT THE CLUB HAS PURCHASED THE 16MM SILENT RAILROAD MOVIES FROM THE ESTATE
OF THE LATE CHARTER CLUB MEMBER OTTO C. PERRY. THESE WERE TAKEN BY OTTO OVER A PERIOD OF NEARLY
30 YEARS, AND CONSTITUTE A FINE ADDITION TO THE CLUB'S LIBRARY OF RAILROAD MOVIES. IT IS
PROBABLE THAT SOME EDITING AND TITLING WILL BE REQUIRED TO GET THEM INTO FIRST-CLASS CONDITION
FOR SHOWING AT CLUB MEETINGS. WHILE IT IS POSSIBLE THAT DUPLICATES IN EITHER 8MM OR 16MM MAY
EVENTUALLY BE MADE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE, IT IS TOO EARLY TO MAKE DEFINITE PLANS ON THIS
MATTER.

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DON'T FORGET THE LABOR DAY EXCURSIONS OVER THE CUMBRES & TOLTEC SCENIC RAILWAY AND THE RIO GRANDE TO
SILVERTON!! PLEASE ASSIST OUR TREASURER BY GETTING YOUR TICKET ORDERS IN NOW!!!

CLUB HEADQUARTERS FOR THE LABOR DAY NARROW GAUGE EXCURSIONS WILL BE AS FOLLOWS:

1ST NIGHT -- CHAMA, NEW MEXICO - ELKHORN LODGE
2ND & 3RD NIGHTS -- DURANGO, COLORADO - STRATER HOTEL.

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CRIPPLE CREEK - ROCKY MOUNTAIN RAILROAD CLUB DAYS AT CRIPPLE CREEK -- AUGUST 14 & 15, 1971. CLUB
MEMBER JOHN BIRMINGHAM'S CRIPPLE CREEK & VICTOR NARROW GAUGE RAILROAD HAS ACQUIRED ANOTHER STEAM
LOCOMOTIVE. THIS TWO FOOT GAUGE, 26-TON, SUPERHEATED LOCOMOTIVE, AN 0-4-0, 0-4-0 WAS BUILT IN
1946 BY BAGNALL IN ENGLAND AND WAS IN SERVICE AT SEZELA, NATAL, SOUTH AFRICA UNTIL RECENTLY. IT
ARRIVED IN CRIPPLE CREEK MAY 1ST, 1971, HAS BEEN TESTED, AND WITH SOME MINOR REPAIRS, JOHN HOPES
TO HAVE IT IN OPERATION FOR THE CLUB'S WEEKEND, AUGUST 14TH AND 15TH. THE CLUB HAS MADE A
FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENT WITH JOHN TO HONOR YOUR MEMBERSHIP CARDS AS A PASS FOR YOU AND YOUR FAMILY
TO RIDE BETWEEN CRIPPLE CREEK AND ANACONDA ANYTIME DURING THE TWO DAYS AND YOU JUST CAN'T BEAT
THAT PRICE FOR STEAM TRAIN RIDING. THREE OTHER TWO-FOOT GAUGE STEAM ENGINES ARE ON THE CC&VNG RR,
A HENSCHEL, A KOPPEL, AND A PORTER AND JOHN SAYS THE HENSCHEL AND THE PORTER WILL BE UNDER STEAM
FOR SURE, AND ALL THREE OF THE RAILROAD'S COACHES WILL BE IN OPERATION.

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AT&SF HAS PROPOSED ABANDONING ITS MAINLINE THRU COLORADO SPRINGS, THUS ELIMINATING A NUMBER OF

GRADE CROSSINGS. THE PROPOSED ABANDONMENT WOULD INCLUDE ALL TRACKAGE FROM CREWS SIDING NEAR WIDEFIELD, 9.6 MILES SOUTH OF COLORADO SPRINGS, TO PALMER LAKE, 23 MILES NORTH. THE AT&SF, C&S AND D&RGW WOULD USE THE EXISTING RIO GRANDE TRACKAGE FOR ITS NORTHBOUND TRAINS BETWEEN CREWS SIDING AND PALMER LAKE AND THESE FACILITIES ARE TO BE ENLARGED AND EXPANDED TO HANDLE THE INCREASED TRAFFIC ONCE IOC APPROVAL IS GIVEN.

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UP MOVED INTO THEIR NEW NORTH PLATTE, NEBR. DIESEL SHOP ON APRIL 24, 1971. THE NEW 11 TRACK BUILDING WILL SERVICE SOME 300 LOCOMOTIVES A DAY. THE OLD ROUNDHOUSE WILL BE PHASED OUT OF SERVICE.

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THE RAIL STRIKE HAS INTERRUPTED THE SCHEDULE OF THE CHICAGO-SAN FRANCISCO AMTRACK TRAINS, BECAUSE THE UP WAS STRUCK, PASSENGERS WERE BUSSED FROM OGDEN, UTAH TO DENVER, COLORADO UNTIL THE SP WAS ALSO STRUCK. THE STRIKE AGAINST THE UP ALSO FORCED THE ROCK ISLAND TO ROUTE ITS TRAINS FROM LIMON TO COLORADO SPRINGS AND THENCE OVER THE D&RGW TO REACH DENVER.

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SOME MEMBERS ARE IN ARREARS ON THEIR 1971 MEMBERSHIP DUES. BECAUSE OF THE TREMENDOUS PAPER WORK INVOLVED IT IS POSSIBLE THAT SOME PERSONS WHO PAID THEIR 1971 DUES HAVE NOT YET RECEIVED THEIR MEMBERSHIP CARDS. WILL THOSE MEMBERS WHO HAVE PAID THEIR 1971 DUES BUT WHO HAVE NOT YET RECEIVED THEIR MEMBERSHIP CARDS PLEASE SEND A POST CARD TO TREASURER ARL CUTHBERT.

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SWAP 'N SHOP -- PERSONAL ADS ARE ACCEPTED FROM MEMBERS FOR ITEMS TO BE LISTED FOR SALE OR TRADE OR WANTED. WE CANNOT ENTER INTO ANY CORRESPONDENCE, NOR WILL WE APPRAISE ITEMS.

DAVID S. DIGERNESS, 4953 PERRY STREET, DENVER, COLO. 80212

SELLS: ORIGINAL WILLIAM H. JACKSON PHOTOGRAPHIC TRANS. IN SELF ILLUMINATED CABINET SEVEN FEET BY THREE BY ONE FOOT. ONE OF W. H. JACKSON'S MOST FAMOUS EARLY DENVER AND RIO GRANDE RAILROAD TRAIN SCENES JUST AFTER CONSTRUCTION IN ANIMAS CANYON ALONG THE ANIMAS RIVER (ONE OF A KIND ITEM).

WANTED: RAILROAD PHOTOGRAPHS IN STEREOPTICAN VIEW CARDS, POSTCARDS, AND NEGATIVES. PHOTOS OF OTHER EARLY CULTURE, TOWNS, ETC.

TRADE: EASTERN RAILROAD TIME TABLES FOR COLORADO AND WESTERN AREA RAILROAD TIME TABLES.

TRADE: EASTERN RAILROAD PASSES FOR COLORADO AND WESTERN RAILROAD PASSES.

GEORGE E. PITCHARD, RFD #3 WEITING ROAD, NEW MILFORD, CONNECTICUT 06776

HAVE: ONE BOX RAILROAD ADS, 1914 THRU THE '60'S, TAKEN FROM THE NATIONAL GEOGRAPHICS. ESTIMATE SOME 2,000 OF AMERICAN LINES AND RELATED FIELDS (AAR, USRA, PULLMAN, ACF, BUDD, ETC.), 1,000+ OF FOREIGN AND CANADIAN (ESPECIALLY CP AND HER NON-RAIL BUSINESS). MUCH ON SP AND AT&SF; MANY OTHER LINES REPRESENTED.

WANT: ONE SET OF THE OLD NARROW GAUGE MUSEUM'S "NARROW GAUGE NEWS". (ISSUED JUNE 1949 TO FEBRUARY 1958). IN GOOD SHAPE, PLEASE, AND MUST INCLUDE THESE ISSUES: 1949 - 1 & 2; 1950 - 5, 8, 9, 10 & 11; 1951 - 12, 15 & 20; 1951 - 26 & 29; 1953 - 34, 35, 36, 37 & 41; 1954 - 46; 1956 - 64.

ROB'T A LEMASSENA, 1795 S. SHERIDAN BLVD., DENVER, COLO. 80226

WANTS 3 VOLUMES OF "CASSELLS RAILWAYS OF THE WORLD" PUBLISHED IN ENGLAND ABOUT 1931.

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WILSON RUID,
CHARLES MAX,

PRESIDENT
VICE-PRESIDENT

BILL GORDON,
ARL CUTHBERT,

SECRETARY
TREASURER