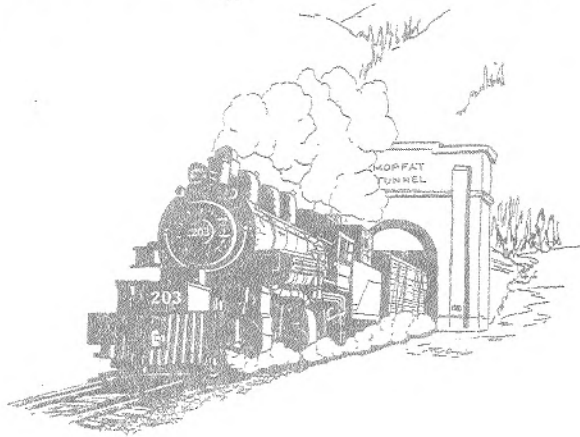


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MOUNTAIN RAILROAD CLUB

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MEETING NOTICE: Date . . . . . February 14, 1973  
Time . . . . . 7:45 p.m.  
Place . . . . . Southeast wing of Christ Episcopal Church,  
2900 S. University at Bates; offstreet parking  
at rear (east) of meeting hall.

PROGRAM NOTES: Club member Irv August will show 16mm movies: Railroads Around  
Denver, 1950-1960; On the Monarch Branch; Union Pacific 1952-  
1956; Durango. A program you won't want to miss - come and  
bring your friends.

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DUES ARE DUE!!! Dues for membership are payable each January - New members -  
\$4.00 for the first year. Regular membership - \$3.00

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RIDGWAY BRANCH - The Denver & Rio Grande Western proposes to abandon the Ridgway  
Branch. This line, running from Montrose to Ridgway, Colorado, was former-  
ly narrow gauge, and was widened out to standard gauge after the abandon-  
ment of the Rio Grande Southern Railway.

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UNION PACIFIC has entered an order for 60 3000-horsepower diesel units. This is  
one railroad that does not order a mere dozen or so locomotives at a time!

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UP 8444 made its usual high-speed run from Cheyenne to Denver and back with the  
"Stock Show Special" on January 13, 1973. Good weather encouraged numer-  
ous photographers and tape recorders to locate themselves along the line.  
The engine appears to be in good condition, and will hopefully be  
available for additional excursions this year.

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35th ANNIVERSARY - The Rocky Mountain Railroad Club will celebrate its 35th  
Anniversary on Saturday, May 12, 1973, with a banquet at Stouffers Denver  
Inn, 3203 Quebec Street. The price is \$6.50 for a Prime Rib dinner.

We will have a "Happy Hour" (cash bar) at 5:30 p.m. with dinner at 6:30 p.m.  
Door prizes will include a copy of "Rails Around Gold Hill" and the "South  
Park Supplement." The program will give highlights of the Club's past  
trips. Tickets must be obtained in advance (before May 5th). You can order  
tickets from the Club Treasurer or tickets will be on sale at our April  
meeting. A brochure will be mailed in your April newsletter.

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CATS RY. carried 19,400 passengers during 1972, between Chama, New Mexico and  
Antonito, Colorado. The income from these fares was just slightly shy of  
a profit and advertising plans are in the works to put the line in the

in the black for 1973.

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D&H WILL RUN a sesquicentennial steam train from Albany, N.Y. to Montreal, Quebec on the following schedule:

Lv. Albany, N.Y. (Colonie Yd.)	9:00 a.m.	28 Apr. 1973
Arr Montreal, Que.	7:00 p.m.	28 Apr. 1973
Lv. " "	10:00 a.m.	29 Apr. 1973
Arr Albany, N.Y. (Colonie Yd.)	7:45 p.m.	29 Apr. 1973

5 photo stops are planned. Information available from Ticket Agent, D&H Sesquicentennial Steam Train, Delaware & Hudson Ry. Co., The Plaza, Albany, N.Y. 12207. Fares: Adults \$42.00 R.T., \$28.00 one way Children \$24.00 R.T. \$15.00 one way.

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D&RGW has received at least 10 new EMD units - #3106 thru #3115, believed to be GP40-2. #3113 and 3112 were photographed on a Rock Island freight west of Limon, Colorado working their way west to Denver behind a SP Unit on Christmas Day.

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1972 BN Motive Power annual by Hol Wagner is now available.

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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.

CLIFFORD W. JAHN, 359 Huntington Rd., Union, N.J. 07083 buys or trades brakeman's lanterns, marker lamps, caboose lamps, and other railroadiana from Colorado Roads. Wants CURVED RECTANGULAR LENSES to fit HANDLAN D&RGW radial type engine classification lamp.

DEL GERBAZ, P. O. Box 66, Woody Creek, Colo. 81656 wants 3 3/8in. pipe tap telegraph faucets for use on the Colorado Midland Car #100 "Cascade." Any info as to where these items could be obtained would be greatly appreciated.

CHAS. ALBI, 460 S. Marion St. #306, Denver, Colo. 80209 wants tokens from Ft. Collins Municipal Ry. and Southern Colo. Power Co.; 35mm color slides of Can. Pac., GN, and NP Wooden Caboose.

WM. E. KANZ, 850 Allison St., Lakewood, Colo. 80215 sells Science of Rys. Cyclopedia - 1 Air Brake Portfolio 1927; 1 Portfolio of Cars 1926. RY Training Inst. - 2 Air Brake Practice Vol. I & II; 2 Car Shop Practice Vol. I & II; 1 Engineering Essentials. D&RGW Schedule of Rates, Rule & Regulations for switchmen, Aug. 1, 1951. Switchmen's Union of N. America - Constitution & By-laws 7-15-67. Santa Fe Rule Book 1953. Santa Fe Rule Book 1959. USRA Agreement Booklet 1919. ARA Wheel & axle manual 1928. Booklet by ICC - U.S. Safety-Appliance Stds. 1946. Booklet by ICC - Power or train brakes safety Appl. Oct. 1958. Make offer.

A. VON BLON, Box 6422, Waco, Texas wants Jackson, W.H., the Rocky Mountain Pictured, Denver City and Auraria, The Commercial Emporium of Pikes Peak, Woolworth, Guide to Denver. Will sell or trade CRI&P switch Lock.

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