

ROCKY MOUNTAIN RAILROAD CLUB

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The regular monthly meeting of the Rocky Mountain Railroad Club will be held on Wednesday, August 10, 1960, at the Farmers Union Auditorium, East 16th and Sherman, Denver, at 8:00 P.M. The program has been provided by two of the Club's most loyal members, Bruce Carroll and Charles Ingles, both of whom live in the Chicago area. They have regularly accompanied us on our annual Silverton excursions for a good many years, and have collaborated in producing some fine 8mm movies of the event. Since they both took movies of the train at the same time, often from different locations, the combined results gave them greater opportunities for editing and selecting the best shots, than if each had tried to do all the photography by himself. Also, when they both took pictures from the same standpoint, one of them could be winding up the spring of his movie camera while the other photographed the moving train, and by trading back and forth in this manner, they could combine the resulting footage into extremely long runs of the train in action.

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Out-of-town members or visitors who expect to be in Colorado should plan to include an inspection of the Colorado Railroad Museum, which is open all year. Your Club's R.G.S. engine 20 and other equipment may be viewed in the exterior display at the Museum, through a reciprocal agreement with the Museum's owners--who are also Club members--which provides for free admission to the Museum for Rocky Mountain Railroad Club Members. In addition to the locomotives and cars on display outdoors, the Museum building, attractively designed in the style of a railroad station, contains numerous displays of great interest to anyone who cares about railroads. Included are pictures, letters, train orders, train-sheets, and other items associated with Colorado railroading. Carefully arranged and described, the papers and photographs are displayed in frames, while numerous other items, including signs, paintings, lanterns, etc., are mounted on the walls of the museum. Railroad books, timetable reproductions, and other publications are available at sales counters in the building. If you plan to stay overnight, or make Denver your headquarters during a vacation or business trip, the Iron Horse Motel (associated with the Colorado Railroad Museum) provides excellent and reasonably-priced accommodations. The address is 17555 West 14th Avenue, on Colorado highway #58, and mail should be sent to Box 641, Golden, Colorado.

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The Club's annual dinner was held at the Harvest House, in Boulder, Colorado, on April 13, 1960, and those who attended will recall the pleasant ride from Denver behind C. & S. steam engine 638. At Boulder, the train was operated into the old station, which has been without passenger service for some years. It now turns out that our train was the last passenger train ever to run into the old station, as the spur between the new station, near the edge of town, and the old passenger station, close to the business district of Boulder, has recently been taken up. The station at various times served not only the C. & S., but was used by the Union Pacific (which operated McKeen motor cars between Denver and Boulder), the Denver & Interurban electric cars, and the narrow gauge trains of the Denver, Boulder & Western.

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A reminder - the official notice of the C. & S.--Great Western steam excursion will be mailed to club members shortly, so kindly reserve Sunday, October 2, 1960, for a full day of train-riding, with steam power all the way!

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