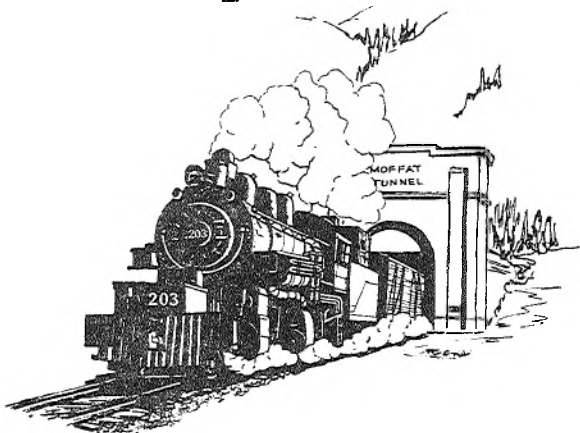


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MEETING NOTICE: Date . . . . . Wednesday, October 11, 1973  
Time . . . . . 7:45 p.m.  
Place . . . . . Southeast wing of Christ Episcopal Church,  
2900 S. University at Bates; offstreet parking  
at rear (east) of meeting hall.

PROGRAM: Club member Mike Blecha will present a slide show on European  
Railroading.

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THE CUMBRES & TOLTEC SCENIC RAILROAD has announced scheduling a special freight  
operation for photographers on October 22, 1972, between Chama and Big  
Horn, with doubleheaded steam power on the hill. Write them at P. O.  
Box 789, Chama, New Mexico, 87520 for additional details.

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C & S Rotary Snowplow 99201, stationed for the past years at Leadville, Colo.  
is now in Denver awaiting donation to the Colorado Railroad Museum.  
A UP 0-6-0 from the Monolith Cement Company in Laramie, Wyoming is in  
the C&S Rice Yard awaiting a spot in the same museum.

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LONG TIME club member Morris W. Abbott has, after many years of research,  
authored a splendid history of his favorite railroad, the Manitou &  
Pikes Peak Railroad, entitled "The Pikes Peak Cog Road". Club member  
Don Duke's Golden West Books, P. O. Box 8136, San Marino, California  
91108, has done an excellent job of printing and binding. The 176 page,  
9- by 11-inch book, has over 200 photographic illustrations, many never  
before published, good maps, and a fine history of Colorado's famous  
rack railroad. Priced at \$12.95, the book is highly recommended to our  
members.

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THE CLUB lost another good friend last June 28th when Myron Henry died in  
Durango, Colorado. Myron had been a brakeman and conductor on the  
Denver & Rio Grande Western's narrow gauge lines for 48 years prior to  
his retirement in 1965. He was especially well known to those who rode  
the Silverton train but he had also been conductor and brakeman on many  
of the club's three-day excursions from Alamosa to Silverton in the  
50's and 60's. He will be sadly missed by his many friends among the  
railfans.

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AMTRACK has reported a 13+% increase in passenger traffic for its first  
reportable quarter this year.

THE CLUB'S recent Narrow Gauge Holiday on the Cumbres & Toltec Scenic Railroad September 1st and on the Silverton, September 2nd, were two excellent excursions but a bust financially with only 155 passengers on the Cumbres Pass trip and 158 on the Silverton. The 16-car train was double-headed from Chama to the summit of Cumbres Pass and three photo runbys were made going up the hill. A box lunch was served at Osier. The club had exclusive use of the day's second train on the Silverton Branch. The weather was fairly cooperative with most of the photo runbys being made in sunshine.

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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.

ROBERT LeMASSENA, 1795 S. Sheridan Blvd., Denver, Colorado 80226, wants Trains Mag., Vol. 18, 19, and 20, also old stocks and bonds of Railroads in the Cripple Creek Area.

A. VON BLON, Box 6422, Waco, Tex 76706 wants photos or anything on Texas Rangers, Indians, or Texas Guinan - noted 1920's nite club entertainer. Sells metal RR emblems from cereal boxes - \$1.25, AT&SF car & loco plans for model RR., + Will Rogers book.

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Carl E. C. Carlson, President

Bill Gordon, Secretary

Charles Max, Vice-President

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