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PAST MEETINGS

Our February meeting was a most enjoyable one—it featured an evening of movies presented by our member Mr. Charles T. Slotter.

OUR FUTURE MEETINGS

Our chapter has been honored by PTC since our March meeting, known as PTC Night, will feature the first public showing of a brand new film to be presented by the PTC. We trust that we will have a good attendance to see this picture which will, of course, be an overall picture of the urban transit field. Since it will deal with the operation of trackless trolleys and buses we expect that there will be no uncalled for comments from the members should a Mack or Twin Coach be shown. Several PTC officials will be our guests for the evening.

A treat is in store for our members and guests when our April meeting rolls around. This will be Rock Island Night and we are to have their new film "Golden Journey" as a feature. This film is one of the best of the newer rail films and since a very large attendance is hoped for we urge you to bring your friends.

On Saturday evening, April 19th, the annual banquet of the Philadelphia Chapter will be held at the University Club. Plan now to be present at this always popular feature of our Spring program.

FLASH!

The National Board has picked Altoona as our next National Convention city. See you at "the curve!"

AT THE LOOP

Our trip on Sunday March 2nd over the ATC was not only one of the most enjoyable trolley trips we have yet had but was also the most picturesque—amid snowbanks and ice our Brillor took us from the PRSL Station to Longport and returned to the Inlet Barn. A "Ft. Wayne" car then gave us a nice ride down to Douglas Ave Loop. That ride on the RDC, over the meadows covered with broken poles and fallen wires was quite some sight. At last we have seen snow on the boardwalk!

Sacramento Northern wishes to abandon its line from Oakland to West Lafayette.

The Key System has offered twenty-one of its bridge units for sale.

Bamberger Electric now sports a new diesel for freight service, also the Salt Lake, Garfield & Western electric.

OUT ON THE HIGH IRON

As we go to press the new B&O three cent stamps have appeared and our members all agree that it is a fine looking stamp and one worthy of the 125th Anniversary of the road over which this chapter has enjoyed so many fine field trips.

The Reading's Crusader is temporarily indisposed, being in the shops for a complete overhaul. Cars from other feature trains is being used in place of the regular Budd equipment. By the way, we have noted Pacifics 117 and 118 around Green St. recently—are they the former Crusader jobs streamlined or has there been some re-numbering of steam power since the diesels came?

The Pennsylvania has been in the headlines recently with the announcement that Broad St. will close Apr. 27th and that the last Camden ferries will cease March 31st. When all trains are dispatched from 30th St. the Clockers will use the low level but PRSL trains will depart from the low level but arrive on the upper level. The new Congressional and Senator equipment will start service March 17th. We learn that more new MU's are in the offing.

Mr. Donald Gordon, Pres. of CNR, at an address before the Toronto Ry. Club, announced a new word in Webster's. It is "Ferro-quisitionist—meaning "One who is interested in the lure of the iron horse!" It was Mr. Gordon who recently spoke against the proposed mergers of CNR and CPR. NYC's popular excursions from NY to Utica and way points have been extended on through April.

D&H now terminates #7/8 at Rouses Point instead of Montreal and have discontinued passenger service between Stanton and Carbondale. Pass. service on Quebec Central was also discontinued from Newport Vt. to Sherbrooke, PQ. We learn the Virginian wishes to cut it's pass. train back at Deepwater Bridge instead of using the NYC to Charleston. Application has been filed to abandon the Ligonier Valley's entire line with the exception of three miles to be sold to the Pennsy. We mourn the passing of the picturesque Rio Grande Southern.

Steam service will disappear completely from the New Haven on April 27th.

—Then there was the chap who was killed by a weasel—the train came but he didn't hear the weasel!

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