

**BOSTON AND MAINE RAILROAD
HISTORICAL SOCIETY, INC.**

P.O. BOX 302, READING, MASS. 01867

SECRETARY'S NEWSLETTER

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Dear B & M Fans:

The June meeting of the Society was attended by forty-two members and guests who enjoyed movies and slides as presented by Messrs. Carl Byron, Bentley Crouch, and Richard Simms.

The July meeting of the Society will be held at the Reading Depot at 7:00 p.m. on Saturday, July 14, 1973. Come and enjoy another evening of fellowship and entertainment.

The June meeting was the second Annual Meeting of the Society, and the Annual Reports of the Officers and the Chairman of the Board of Directors were read. Any member who desires copies of these reports should address his request to the Secretary at the Society's address. The election of officers for the next fiscal year was held, and the results of the balloting were as follows: Leroy Hutchinson, President; Donald Hills, Vice-President; James Ickes, Treasurer; David Squires, Secretary; H. Bentley Crouch, David Derow, and Ralph Phillips, elected to the Board of Directors for two-year terms. At the first meeting of the new Board of Directors, Bentley Crouch was elected Chairman.

The Society is now officially a non-profit organization, and members may henceforth deduct their membership dues when computing their income tax.

Several work sessions have been held at Steamtown for the purpose of restoring the ex-B&M Diner-Lounge "Mountaineer." Work moved slowly at first (it took a week just to find the sandblaster!), but with good weather and willing hands work should progress smoothly from now on. Contact Leroy Hutchinson if you are interested in helping out on a Saturday or Sunday. In connection with this project, we urgently need photos, drawings, and any descriptive and statistical information on the "Mountaineer," built in 1930, and originally a full-length diner named the "Maine."

All regular members are reminded that, now that we are in a new fiscal year, your five-dollars dues for membership renewal should be sent to the Society as soon as possible. Your prompt attention to this matter will insure the on-time publication of the B&M Bulletin and Secretary's Newsletter. Please make your cheque or money order payable to the Boston & Maine Railroad Historical Society, Inc.

Mr. Jay Winn, P.O. Box 201, 15 Hillside Avenue, New Hartford, NY 13413, will give a discount to Society members on his custom-painted B&M model railroad equipment. Those who have seen his work say that it is of excellent quality.

Ex-NKP Berkshire No. 759 has received an extension on its flue time and will be used to power the special train from Boston to Montpelier Junction and return on 27-28 Oct.

The June 1973 issue of the B&M Bulletin has been published. You will receive your copy shortly, if indeed it has not already arrived.

Best regards,

David R. Squires

David R. Squires, Secretary