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JULY 1981

B&M Meeting

MEETINGS FOR JULY AND AUGUST
ARE SCHEDULED AS FOLLOWS:

SATURDAY, JULY 11, 1981, 8:00 P.M., WINNACUNET HIGH SCHOOL, HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE.

Presentation will be by Mr. Bob Allen who will share his slides of B&M Steam, etc.
DIRECTIONS: Take Exit 2 off I-95 in New Hampshire (Rte. 51 exit) to go east; then from Rt. 51 take the exit for Rte. 101C and go east on 101C to Hampton Center, crossing the B&M's old Eastern Div. just before Hampton Center; elapsed mileage since leaving I-95 is about 2 miles. At Hampton Center take right turn at Lamaie's Tavern onto US Route 1 South. Go south about 1/4 mile; the entrance to the High School complex is on the left just after the Catholic Church and school (the only one in Hampton). For those who hate toll-paying, the location can be easily reached via Rte. 1 or Rte. 101C with the necessary modifications to the directions. FOOD: Lamaie's Tavern, Pizza Hut, and the Galley Hatch (all nearby) have good food.

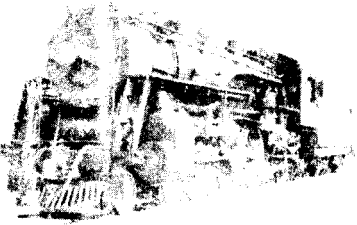
SATURDAY, AUGUST 8, 1981 - all day at CONWAY SCENIC RAILROAD, NORTH CONWAY, NEW HAMPSHIRE

This will be a joint B&MRRHS/470 RR CLUB meeting. The day's activities will include a special fare of \$3.00 for all card presenting members of either organization for the North Conway-Conway trains. A special trip up to the MEC interchange at Intervale, NH from North Conway will take place at 5:05 P.M. returning to North Conway at 5:25 P.M. Also there will be a "Supper Chief" departing North Conway at 5:45 P.M. for Conway, NH where a Ham & Beans Supper will be held at the Congregational Church at 6:10 P.M., returning at (probably) 8:10 P.M. Fare for the Intervale trip will be \$1.00. The "Supper Chief" will cost \$8.00 per ticket for all ages. This price includes the supper and the round trip from North Conway to Conway. There is only room enough for 150 at the Supper in Conway, so order tickets early! Tickets may be purchased by sending an S.S.A.E. with a check or money order for \$8.00 to: John Alan Roderick, 30 Tower Street, Somerville, MA 02143. Following the return of the "Supper Chief" to North Conway, a meeting will be held at Stall Four of the North Conway Roundhouse. Entertainment will be by Mr. Bill Robertson, who will give us a presentation of MEC and B&M subjects.

NO MEETINGS WILL BE HELD IN WOBURN DURING JULY AND AUGUST.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT: TWO TRIPS ON SATURDAY, JULY 25, 1981 sponsored by Mass. Bay RR Enthusiasts and the Worcester Science Center

1. GARDNER, MA to WORCESTER, MA and RETURN via Ayer. Lv. Gardner at 10:00 A.M. R.T. fare adults \$19.95. For full details and reservations:
Mass. R.R.E., Box 136, Ward Hill, MA 01830
2. BOSTON to WORCESTER, MA via former B. & A.R.R. Lv. South Station at 9:30 A.M. Local stops to Worcester. Fare for adults \$19.95. For full details and reservations:
Mass. Bay R.R.E., Box 61, Needham Heights, MA 02194



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MINUTES OF THE JUNE 1981 MEETING OF THE B&MRRHS

The June 1981 meeting of the B&MRRHS was called to order by President Malcolm Houck at 8:00 PM, Saturday, June 13, 1981 in the First Parish Unitarian Church in Woburn Center. The business portion of the meeting was dismissed as Joe Shaw and Malcolm Houck preceeded with an auction of some Railroad photos and a Steam Locomotive whistle from a B&M 4100. The whistle was won by Mr. Ansel Grose for \$150.00. After the auction, Forrest Mack, the Nominating Committee Chairman, announced the Committee's nominees for the offices up for election. They were as follows: Board of Directors: Don Hills, Malcolm Houck, H. Arnold Wilder. President: John A. Goodwin. Vice President: Robert Hagopian. Treasurer: John C. Hutchins. Secretary/Clerk: Mike Gaudet. No further nominations were heard from the floor.

John Alan Roderick reminded all of the August meeting in Conway and that information regarding a dinner and special train would be forthcoming. John then introduced Mr. Don Hills who presented color and black & white movies taken by Mr. Bob Chaffin. The presentation included steam in its last days on the B&M, as well as some of the early diesel units. All of the over 80 members and guests in attendance applauded heartily, as the meeting adjourned at 9:19 PM.

Respectfully Submitted

Robert M. J. Hagopian
Secretary, B&MRRHS

SPOTLIGHT ON BOSTON & MAINE R.R. HISTORY (FROM B&MRR EMPLOYEES' MAG.)

50 YEARS AGO (in June 1981 Newsletter).

25 YEARS AGO - July-August, 1956, Vol. 24, No. 4 - Front Cover shows new box cars in yard 9, E. Somerville, MA; cars part of an order of 1,000 with new B&M insignia...50-ton capacity, photo by Frank H. Hill. "Rewards a True 'Rail'"...photo of member Bill Patton, Adv. Man., receiving watch from President P. B. McGinnis, in connection with reporting a broken rail on the Cen. Mass. line near Waltham. From "High Green" more than 17,000 campers were handled during the week of July 4th; 20 trains thru Worcester, 6 out of Springfield, to Maine and New Hampshire. During this same time, 9 special trains were operated to Camp Drum, NY, 6 from Boston, 2 from Malden, 1 from Waltham. R.R. Enthusiasts ran special train to Weirs, NH, 460 passengers enjoyed 4-hour cruise on S.S. Mt. Washington around Lake Winnepeasaukee, before returning to Boston via the Woburn Loop. Engine No. 494 owned by R.E.I. is being placed next to the municipal building, Town of Hartland, VT (W. R. Jct.) Photo story showing Pacific type 4-6-2 (p. 2) supplying steam for Mystic Pier. Oldest Active Employee - photo showing G. R. Ferguson, Chief of Pass. Bureau, with 66 years of service, since Oct. 2, 1916 when it was started. Personnel changes: I. W. Clifford appointed Div. Supt., Fitch. Div.; photo of Tracey R. Quick, retired as Supt., with V.P. F. W. Rourke, and F. Reynolds. Photo of Cond. Jack Sears presented with watch by Howard Evans, G. N. Ry. Sears had 53 years service. Also, retired, K. M. Qua, Gen. Claim Agent. Photo of veterans at Old Timers Night at Concord, NH including W. F. "Windy" Carroll, former Pass. Cond. on train #307.

BOSTON & MAINE NEWS ITEMS

"The 2nd bidder for the B&M", Boston Globe, 6/9/81 (Walter E. Lenk). Photo of Neil St. John Raymond of Ipswich is interested in buying B&M. Another photo shows several RDC's outside of B.E.T. "The B&M has a 'potential of being a very good investment'" said Mr. Raymond; is willing to pay more than Mr. Mellon who is also interested in acquiring the M.E.C. from U.S. Filter Corp., possibly building a New England Railway System (see p. 4).

Caterpillars caused freight trains to stall in Westminster, MA - front-page news - Boston Herald - 6/6/81 (thanks to H. B. Crouch and Bill Hellmann).

Debris cleaned up from derailed train - Boston Herald - 6/15/81 - Several cars "off the iron", train headed to Lawrence, MA; 2 fishermen nearby; going over Conn. River bridge, east of East Deerfield yards.

"Train derails in Wakefield" - Med. Mercury - 5/21/81 - Photo showing loco. and 2 cars "on the ground"; same photo in N.Y. Times 5/22/81 (W. E. Lenk). Also, postcard from Don LeJeune indicates loco. 1721 on 14:59 Salem switcher.

"Officials Await Rail Trestle Funds" - Manchester, NH Union - 6/3/81 by Carol McCormick. "NHTA is waiting for funding" to replace R.R. trestle over the Stony Brook, west of Lyndeborough, NH (Keene Branch) built in 1883; cars going to Greenfield and Bennington, NH involved. (David K. Johnson)

NOTES OF SADNESS

Mildred Greene, wife of Howard F. Greene, passed away on May 25th. Our sympathy to Mr. Greene and family.

Cyril Reynolds, Dedham, MA, former President of R.R. Enthusiasts, passed away on May 21st.

Anthony Colarullo, 71, Medford, MA, former Cond. B&M, died on May 29th in Weymouth, MA. (from B. Dawson)

B&M Members - New members include:

Herbert J. Adams
RFD
North Hartland, VT 05052

Robert A. Davis
5224 Stonington Drive
Fairfax, VA 22032

James T. Lomartire
Rt. 28 South
Epsom, NH 03234

Keith Blake
147 Circuit Road
Portsmouth, NH 03801

Robert DeLuca
8 Princess Lane
Epsom, NH 03234

James F. Powers
104 Gleasondale Road
Stow, MA 01775

Albert Bryer
5 Davis Road
Woodsville, NH 03785

Robert E. Donnell
Box 24, Pine Acres Tr. Pk.
N. Hampton, NH 03862

John F. Rogers, M.D.
35 E. Elizabeth Avenue
Bethlehem, PA 18018

Frank A. Czubryt, Jr.
3 Francis Avenue
Adams, MA 01220

John J. Hanlon
355 Pine Tree Drive
Orange, CT 06477

NORTH SHORE NEWS by Don LeJeune

5/19 - Power leaving Salem SAED GP-9's 1717, 1709; 5/20 - GP-9's 1733, 1747. *** Power idling at Lawrence on 5/24 were the 800, 801, 1222. Power idling at Boston yard 7: GP-7 1576, Geep-9's 1724, 1707; MU'd were 1717, 1729 (new paint scheme), and the 1749. Parked adjacent to the yard office was the 806. Down next to the Yard 8 office were the 1223, 1123. *** The following engines have been spotted with the "Bad Paint Syndrome" which is a darker blue that has chipped, peeled, and faded very rapidly. Those are the 1709, 1724, 1748, 1754. *** Those remaining yard switchers still in their original paint colors can be still seen working the East and West Yards at E. Deerfield. It should be noted that I'm sure that there may be other locations that these switchers in the old colors are working, but they will all be seeing the spray gun sooner or later...most likely sooner. *** Power for SAED on 5/25: GP-9 1744, GP-18 1752. The 1459 switcher job out of Salem has had the 1730 (Minuteman nose) GP-9, for the last 5 days. *** Power heading West from SAED on 5/29: GP-18 1750, GP-9 1745; 5/26 GP-18 1826 used as the 1459 switcher job out of Salem; 5/31 GP-9's 1744, 1706, GP-7 1571, GP-18 1750 brought in as the 1459 switcher. 6/1 GP-18 1755, GP-9 1711. 6/2 GP-18 1751, GP-9 1709. 6/3 GP-9's 1744, 1706. 6/3 GP-7 1571 came up from Boston to Salem as the Boston switcher working Lynn. 6/4 GP-9's 1741, 1709. On 6/6 welded rail will be placed on the Gloucester Branch that has been worked on for over a year now. *** 6/5 SAED power: GP-9 1730, GP-18 1751, GP-9 1706. 6/6 GP-7's 1573, 1572. 6/8 GP-9's 1744, 1718. 6/9 GP-9's 1727, 1717. 6/10 1748, 1730. Boston switcher working up to Salem GP-7 1563. *** The crossover on the westbound side of the "Lynn Middle" at West Lynn was removed the week of June 7th. It's been learned that eventually the "Middle" track that's served E. & W. bound trains for longer than I can remember will be taken out permanently. *** 6/11 - I've obtained the latest revised freight schedule for you. Please note some changes that I've received as far as some runs abolished, as well as the Telegraph Bulletin of 6/5 concerning Mech'ville, and SAED Salem end. This end was abolished because they just couldn't get the crews to take it, most of the members didn't like the day layover at E. Dfld. OS-1 cancelled as of 6/6, as well as BOS0 SOB0, and has gone back to DO-1, DO-2 BOD0, DOB0. This end picked up LAME-A, LAME-B again. *** In response to John Beebe's question of 5/11/81 concerning "S" shaped pieces of metal in the ends of the ties, they're put there to prevent the tie from splitting at the ends, they were used way back when...and are still used now on selected ties. *** The reason that the B&M cabooses are going from the "C-66" to a three digit number series is that the computers cannot read out just two numbers and a letter; eventually all the buggy's will be changed over...modelers take note... *** From Billerica: GP-18 1821 damaged in Wakefield last month will leave the shops in July. GP-18 1803 leaves the shops today after a rebuild

NORTH SHORE NEWS by Don LeJeune (continued)

and paint 6/11/81. The shops are currently working on two Toronto GO cars damaged; when repaired, will return to Canada. GP-9 1743 scheduled for extensive work will leave in the latter part of this year. GP-40-2 313 will be painted in IMRON and should be put into revenue by the end of June. GP-9's 1700, 1734 remain stored at Billerica. The LRV still is at Billerica - disposition unknown. *** NOTE to Don Provencher: Contact Mr. Richard Muehlke, Director, Purchasing & Stores, Iron Horse Park, N. Billerica, MA. If no luck, contact Alan Dustin, President, B&MRR at the same address. There is still a 4266A or 4268A left - Don't wait.

14L NOTES FROM A SONIC VANTAGE POINT by Don Tead, Parker St., S. Acton, MA

Most adults and many children know the song, "Listen to the Mockingbird, listen to the Mockingbird...". My friend started at 4:45 this morning (Sunday, June 7th) with his endless variations and chatter and sings on and on and on. Through the end of July my train tapes recorded during the day (and night if my voluble friend decides to serenade the moon) will have the mockingbird in the background. He seems to have picked up the call of a whippoorwill during his winter sojourn somewhere but it is not one of his best imitations. My collection includes about 130 steam locomotive records and there are a few passages where, according to the notes or narration, the engineers "whip-poor-will" the whistles. I know the call of the whippoorwill well but have never been able to recognize it in steam. A fortuitous reference to my 1947 copy of Peterson's "A Field Guide to the Birds" (published by Houghton-Mifflin) one day explains my inability. Most Southerners call the chuck-will's-widow a whippoorwill. The cwv is a relative of the wpw and has a different call (which I have heard only once while on a "night problem" in Alabama in WW II). I never considered the locomotive whistle a toy to imitate a whippoorwill but at least it is not in the category of that insufferable "Shave and a haircut..." which I have heard many times on locomotive whistles and horns, boat whistles and a myriad of times on automobile horns! The sound of a good Nathan M-3 has been heard here since May 21 intermittently. I was a bit puzzled initially as I knew that 1572 - also with a good M-3 - had been returned to the B&M. The Leslie S-5TR on 1110 was damaged months ago so the MBTA borrowed a horn from the B&M. Incidentally, I believe that May 21 was the first time that 1110 appeared on the S. Acton line. All the 1000's and 1100's except one are now "in the can" (taped).

M.E.C. NEWS

Net earnings 1st quarter of 1981 - \$914,095; 1980 income, 1st quarter - \$1,485,377 - a decline of 40% approximately. Total income of \$17,291,109 was up 7% compared to a year ago; expenses of \$16,207,339 up 13% over 1980. *** M.E.C. and B.A.R. won an award for grade crossing safety message; production was endorsed by ME HIGH Safety Comm. *** Timothy Mellon is also interested in acquiring the M.E.C. (see pg. 2), per Manchester, NH Union 6/18/81, "Mellon purchases ME CEN. R.R." (David Johnson). Rumor Department - M.E.C. plans to reopen roundhouse at Bartlett, NH in connection with pusher jobs through the Notch; salt is being removed from the building by the State of NH; starting date is given as June 1st ??? (J.A. Roderick)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

STEAMTOWN FOUNDATION - 5/12/81 - Don Ball, Director, states, "No daily train this summer. Museum opens May 23rd." Building a Better Steamtown is the theme for this year. Letter from G. M. Kidder confirming this item.

4TH ANNUAL SOO LINE WEEKEND AT DULUTH, MN, September 18-20, 1981; details for registration in July issue Soo Line Historical and Technical Society Magazine.

AMTRAK

Half-page ads in Boston papers with the heading, "Isn't it time your kids saw America from a different point of view?" At the bottom of this ad, scenery of rural America with AMTRAK train in foreground.

"Amtrak hike voted" - Boston Herald - 6/11/81 - Move now to retain 85% of the present trains.

C. S. Monitor - 4/29/81 - Editorial, "US rails: what destination?" Amtrak and Conrail receive careful appraisal for the future.

The Sacramento, CA BEE, 5/3/81, Forum - Article entitled "Cutting Amtrak would be pure idiocy" - much favorable comment; should be expanding rather than cutting this program of passenger trains....

CAPE COD RR - Boston Globe - 6/7/81 by Jerry Morris - Starting June 14th, passenger trains will leave Hyannis, MA for Sandwich at 9:15, 11:30 A.M. and 1:45 and 4:00 P.M. daily except Mondays and Wednesdays; operated by Edaville R.R. crews; R.T. fare for adults \$7.00; vintage coaches will be used.

CONRAIL ITEM: 4/27/81 - TRAFFIC WORLD Magazine article entitled "Conrail Break-up Bill" drafted by DOT - "DOT Circulating Draft Legislation for Break up and Sale of Conrail." (J. C. Hutchins)

B&Marketplace

WANTED: Any information concerning New Haven R.R. operating into Lowell, MA, particularly equipment and schedules. Contact: Richard F. Picanso, 8514 Rockfish Circle, Fountain Valley, CA 92708.

Anyone interested in a steam special operation after Labor Day at White Mountain Central R.R. (Clark's Trading Post, Lincoln, NH) with the Climax on W.E., contact: David K. Johnson, 14 Meade St., Nashua, NH 03060 or Ed Clark above.

The undersigned is building an H0 gauge model of the Boston & Maine; is anxious to have information about the signal system and CTC, etc. (signed): Peter Nolette, 1 Robin St., Saco, ME 04072.

Two questions from Keith Blake, 147 Circuit Rd., Portsmouth, NH 03801: (1) Do you have any back issues (B&M Bulletin) that deal heavily with the Conway Branch, and how does one obtain same (Letter 1/20/81); (2) On page 73 (top) photo of Mt. Whittier, NH station area - raises the question if this is really at Mt. Whittier. Please advise. (From our book, "Moguls, Mountains and Memories.")

FOR SALE: TRAINS, bound volumes No. 5 (1944-45), 6, 7, 8, 11 (1950-51), 13 (1952-53), 14 and 16 (1955-56) \$35.00 each. WANTED: One copy (in mint condition, if possible) of George P. Baker's "Formation of the New England Railroad Systems." State price and condition when writing to: John C. Hutchins, P.O. Box 223, Harwood Station, Littleton, MA 01460.

From Richard W. Drury, 18 Pleasant View Drive, Hatfield, MA 01038, "I have several B&M travel brochures to swap." Please advise how many of these 6" x 8" size booklets were published? Contact above.

B&MARKETPLACE (continued)

WANTED: Information about Collier SCA locomotives for doing HO model of B&M; also, for photos, etc. of B&M stations, box cars, R.P.O., passenger, flat cabooses, horse, cattle, gondolas, water, platform, baggage, etc., and "all the info you can send me about the wonderful B&M." Please contact: R. W. Rasmussen, 3401 Snowy Egret Circle, Palm Harbor, FL 33563.

Is interested in modeling the "Lyndonville Sub-Div. of C.P.R." Would like any information about this line during the first half of the century; diagrams of Lyndonville yards, photos of same with station building...at Lyndonville, VT. Contact: Ashley Edmands, Star Route, Lyndon Center, VT 05850 (3/24/81)

TROLLEY CAR FANS - Boston Herald, 5/13/81, "Dining Out" - Trolleys must take new route... TROLLEYS, 55 Canal St., Boston, MA 367-8126. New Eating Place near North Station for Trolley Car Buffs.

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NEWS RELEASE dated May 6, 1981 from New England (Railroad) Labor/Management Task Force, 242 St. John St., Portland, ME 04102 - "Portland, Maine...In an innovative approach, New England railroads and labor organizations have recently formed a Labor/Management Task Force. Fifteen rail labor organizations and ten New England railroads have agreed to participate in this joint effort to bring together on a regular basis, the people involved in providing rail service in the region. According to a spokesman for the Task Force, 'The objectives of the Task Force are to improve rail service in the region through experiments which enhance railroad profitability, stabilize and improve the quality of railroad employment, explore opportunities to augment the rail traffic base, and increase the awareness of Federal and State policy makers of the impact of their decisions on rail service in the region'...."

Letter from O. A. KENYON, Treasurer, Central NY Chapter, National Railway Historical Society, Inc., 5/21/81 - "On reading my first Newsletter, May issue, page two, I found several members noticed the absence of F unit 4265A and wondered where it might be. I can enlighten you on its whereabouts. The Central New York Chapter of National Railway Historical Society, Inc., Syracuse, NY, purchased this engine December 23, 1980 and it was delivered on March 13th to the New York State Fair siding to become a part of the above Chapter's railroad museum. Our members have already started refurbishing the outside of the engine back to its original maroon and yellow colors as a static exhibit. President Alan Dustin spoke at our yearly banquet and dedicated the engine on April 11th and 12th, 1981. Being at the New York State Fair grounds it becomes a free fair exhibit the last of each August through Labor Day for some 800,000 people who attend. If any of the B&M membership are ever in the Syracuse area, the fair grounds are always open - exit Thruway 39 take 690 south about three miles right past the main entrance. The railroad exhibit is straight back from the main gate. I would be happy to keep you posted of the F No. 4265A in the future.

Postcard from BOB WARREN, Clearwater, FL, 5/19/81 - "Re #4265, purchased by the Central New York Chapter, N.R.H.S. Currently on display at New York State Fair grounds with other Chap. equipment. Understand is to be repainted back to maroon-yellow scheme."

D & H HAPPENINGS - News Release 5/1/81 - President K. P. Shoemaker stated USRA did not impose any restrictions on \$4.6 million package deal. Also, the Com. of Penn. is making a half a million grant to D & H. N.Y. State assistance will involve purchase of 200 box cars and related repair contract - more work for the Oneonta car shops.

From CHUCK PETLICK, Box 323, New Castle, NH 03854 - "...I have been waiting to hear about the B&M renumbering some of its cabooses into a 400 series. Maybe...some of the other readers know why. Are they going to renumber all cabooses or just the long-distance road

jobs? I have only seen them on POME, MEPO, SPP0, POSP. I first saw them about a month ago. The stencil job leaves a little to be desired...it looks like it was done in a hurry...1568 is still switching Portsmouth, as it has for the past 5 or 6 weeks...1717, 1728, and 1752 shut down at Dover along with 1231 on 6/13/81. 1231 has been the Dover switcher for the past month or so...."

CONRAIL SPECIAL entitled, "Working on the railroad: CONRAIL's future is political," by Hon. Thomas P. Salmon (former Governor of VT), in the Boston Herald American 6/18/81, "The battle lines have now been drawn on the issue whether or not (CONRAIL) will survive." Reports from CONRAIL, U.S.R.A. and D.O.T. all agree that some sort of rail service is essential in the Northeast...big difference is in how to maintain it.

M.B.T.A. NEWS: Boston Herald - 6/11/81 - "Bus Fare Hike Coming - Put another quarter in." 6/17/81 - "O'Leary will ask for 25¢ hike for all M.B.T.A. riders." (front page). 5/22/81 - "6% fare hike set for rail commuters (B&M).

NEWS BRIEFS

C. S. MONITOR, recent issue, "U.S. rail deregulation may yet spur coal output, especially in the West," by Thomas Watterson; photo of BN unit coal train with the caption, "Railroads and their biggest customer, the coal industry, await deregulation benefits...."

C. S. MONITOR, 5/29/81, "Giant 'model train set' test center for innovations in rail transportation." "Colorado facility works to put transit system on right track," by David F. Salisbury, Pueblo, CO, test center of the F.R.A. 30 miles east; site of all kinds of testing for R.R.'s including AMTRAK locomotives and cars. (B. Dawson, W. Med.)

BOSTON HERALD, 6/11/81 - "VT. NH to start truck tax." Both states are now taxing trucks that cross the Conn. River boundary of the two states.

BOSTON SUNDAY GLOBE, 5/3/81 - "Canada by rail," by Carol Spicer - a good description of trip by VIA (former C.P.R.) from Toronto to Vancouver, B.C. "For 2500 miles, the gentle lullaby of the rails," photos of the Chateau at Lake Louise and the train in the Canadian Rockies.

C. S. MONITOR, 5/12/81, "British Columbia moves to populate its nearly empty Northeast," by David R. Francis, will involve building a new town named Tumbler Ridge. CNR will upgrade its line from Prince George to Prince Rupert; B.C. Ry. will build about 80 miles for new line into the coal fields on Peace River; (map of the area included).

C. S. MONITOR, 6/2/81, "Hijaz rail line of T. E. Lawrence fame may be rebuilt," by C.L. Cranford; Lawrence of Arabia destroyed this rail-line during WWI to prevent Turks from moving South towards Arabia...now plans to rebuild this line at a cost estimated at \$1.9 billion - open up area in the Mid-East.

SOUTH AFRICAN STEAM SAFARIS, 1981 brochure lists several tours next fall operated by Sartravel Hdqts. Publ & Travel Dept., South African Rys., P.O. Box 1111, Johannesburg, 2000.

DERBY RAILS 1981, September 3-7, 1981 - Convention NRHS to be held in Louisville, KY - joint venture with Kentucky Railway Museum; also, "Bluegrass Limited" will feature ex C&O 2-8-4 #2716; for further information: NRHS Convention, William F. Mayer, 4027 Busath Ave., Louisville, KY 40218; Bluegrass Ltd. Roanoke, NRHS, P.O. Box 13222, Roanoke, VA 24032

C. S. MONITOR, 6/2/81, "Airlines - some still in the red - tout discount fares." "Carriers face climbing costs, eager new rivals - and still they fly high on Wall Street," by Ward Morehouse III...Delta appears to be doing better than most of the big operators.

PUBLICATIONS FOR SALE

The following publications are available postpaid (unless otherwise noted) by ordering direct from this address: Business Manager, B&MRRHS, Box 2362, Harwood Station, Littleton, MA 01460. Publications orders sent to any other address will be subject to an automatic delay of at least two weeks. DO NOT include any other correspondence with these orders!

B&M BULLETINS: Spring, Summer, Fall 1977, \$2.25 ea. Spring, Summer, Fall 1978, Winter 1978-79, Spring, Summer 1979, Summer 1980, \$2.50 ea. Fall 1980, \$3.25.

OTHER B&MRRHS PUBLICATIONS: 1932 Snow Train menu - 25¢; reprinted Montpelier & Wells River/Barre & Chelsea RR employes' timetable #62B of January 22, 1928 - \$1.00.

B&M MODELING GUIDE: Don Clerke's excellent handout from his modeling presentation at the October 1979 meeting. Contains an all-time list of articles/plans/data published on the B&M in the Bulletin, Model Railroader, RMC, etc. It also includes a list of all B&M or convertible B&M products in all gauges: motive power, rolling stock, etc. \$1.00.

A COMPLETE INDEX to all B&M Bulletins, 75¢, including postage.

MOGULS, MOUNTAINS & MEMORIES: The Society's own 136-page book featuring 4-color covers, 180 b&w photos and 4 internal color plates by New England's foremost rail photographers. Mainline steam and diesel action from 1940 to the present on the Boston & Albany, BAR, B&M, CPR, CV, GT and MEC is highlighted plus branch and short lines throughout the region to the north and west of Boston. Heavy coated stock plus durable binding makes this an excellent value on any bookshelf. Softbound. \$12.95.

VANISHING VAPOR: An excellent 33-1/3 RPM recording of B&M Pacifics and Moguls - produced by the 470 Club from tapes made in the mid-1950's by B&MRRHS Director, Preston Johnson. Includes trackside, cab ride, and North Station rush-hour sequences. Railfan/Railroad Mag. calls it "a real delight". Don't miss it! (Shipped in special mailer.) \$7.95 post-paid. (J.C.H.)

ALL ABOARD! PUBLIC TRANSIT IN SAUGUS, by Stephen P. Carlson, 28 pages, softbound. This fascinating book covers the history of the B&M's Saugus Branch plus trolley and bus services in and around Saugus, Mass. Includes good station and train photographs. \$3.00

BOOKS BY OTHER PUBLISHERS:

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