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EXCELLENT RAIL MOVIES

SHOWN AT OCTOBER MEETING

Members and guests of the Chapter were treated to some of the finest reels of railroadiana seen by the Chapter when NRHS members' Charles A. Elston and Bert Pennypacker traveled from Downingtown to entertain at our October meeting. A well attended meeting saw perfect shots of the East Broad Top RR, Huntingdon & Broad Top and many other interesting roads, including a complete picture story of the Reading's Wilmington & Northern Br. Interest was brightened by the excellence of the Kodacolor.

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES

At a recent meeting held by your Chapter Officers, the following new appointments were announced:

PUBLICITY COMMITTEE - Willard Hart,
James Mulliken, William Hooker
IDENTIFICATION BADGE COMMITTEE -
Richard Johnstone

FREEDOM TRAIN

FRIENDSHIP TRAIN

TRAIN OF TOMORROW

The fall of 1947 is seeing more special trains on our country's rails than any year in our memory. The "Freedom Train" now touring the U. S. is scheduled to invade the Philada. metropolitan area with a stop in Chester, Pa. on November 20th.

The "Friendship Train" recently left downtown Hollywood via Los Angeles for the East Coast over the city street rails of Pacific Electric hauled by 2 of PE's electric motors. The event, on Oct. 7th, also featured a colorful street pageant.

The Train of Tomorrow made headlines last week when it was offered some competition by the Ford blimp in an advertising stunt in Michigan. The blimp led the train a merry chase as the G.M. people were trying to impress newspaper correspondents with the merits of their sleek streamliner.

CHAPTER SCRAP-BOOK

Our Historian, Willard Hart, wishes to convey the thanks of the Chapter to four anonymous contributors for material for the Chapter Scrap-book, which is growing every month in size.

FUTURE TRIPS

Although the days are growing shorter and the weather colder, your Trip Committee is already at work with plans for 1948 trips. If you have a suggestion for a trip or an inspection tour, let's have it now.

Enclosed is announcement of our trip over the unused PTC rails of Phila. on Nov. 30th. Trip will cover streets never before used and possibly never to be used again.

ELECTRIC ITEMS

Work in connection with the new West Phila. subway construction has now reached rapid tempo stages to complete preliminary projects before the freezing weather. Rails have already reappeared in Lancaster Ave. between 32nd & 33rd Sts after an absence of several years. This is the second stretch of rail to be re-laid in the city, the other portion being Thompson St. between Margaret and Orthodox Sts in Bridesburg for use of Rte. 15 southbound. Double track is now being laid in 36th St. from Market to Lancaster Ave for Rte. 31. This line will lead a merry chase trying to find Market St. when construction begins. West-bound route will be over Lancaster to 26th and south to Market, thence over regular route. The hole for the subway is now a scoop larger. First scoop was made by Mayor Samuel and second by one of your Editors. We hope the third will be taken by the fellow that gets \$2.40 or \$2.50 per hour operating a power shovel, depending whether it's over or under the ground.

Shore East Line has received permission to abandon service on Ocean City Division (now operating only to Somers Point) despite vigorous protests of Northfield. No date has been set for the abandonment.

NEW MEMBERS

A warm greeting is extended to the following new members of our Chapter:

Thomas J. Kerigan
518 Lancaster Ave.
Haverford, Pa.
E. Lewis Pardee
626 Park Ave.
Collingswood, N.J.

It's a pleasure to welcome Mr. Pardee, a National Vice President and West Jersey Chapter official.