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CHAPTER TIMETABLE OF EVENTS :

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| 19 Spt 85 | Thursday | 7:30pm | SEPTEMBER BOARD MEETING at the Columbia Gorge Model RR Club clubhouse @ N. Russell. All welcome. |
| 20 Spt 85 | Friday | 7:30pm | Union Station LET THE NEON BE ON sign lighting ceremony at the Clock Tower. Reception on board Mt Hood and 3300 will follow

Friday and Saturday and Sunday we also have the annual convention of private rail cars at Union Station. Some private cars will be open for viewing for a fee. |
| 21 Spt 85 | Saturday | early | Departure of 750 people on the Great Northwest Rail Excursion, run with AMTRAK equipment, to Spokane and then to Seattle and back to Portland. SOLD OUT. |
| 27 Spt 85 | Friday | 7:30pm | SEPTEMBER BUSINESS MEETING of Chapter members. A one time time shift off of the 3rd Friday due to the rail excursion. Location is the Union Pacific Clubhouse @ N Interstate and N Russell. Snacks as per donation. Program. And "NEWSREEL" of up to six recent rail slides per member. Please check in to load slides. |
| each | Saturday | 12:30pm | Each & every Saturday we gather for a no host lunch at the VILLAGE INN PANCAKE HOUSE @ NE 10 & Broadway, near Safeway. Very enjoyable crowd. Come visit. |

AUGUST CHAPTER

PACIFIC NORTHWEST CHAPTER - REGULAR CHAPTER MEETING - AUGUST 16, 1985

The meeting was called to order by President Rich Carlson at 7:45 PM in the Portland General Electric auditorium.

The minutes of the meeting of July 19th were approved as read.

Larry Miller reported for Treasurer Vija Keeler:

General account \$38,979.48
CDIC account 33,880.09.

Report from President Rich Carlson:

- 1.) Union Station Signs: The power meter requested by Amtrak was installed today. The sign ran for five hours on 8/1/85 just after the repairs were completed. Formal dedication of the sign will be on Sept. 20 at 7:30 PM. Railroad and public officials will be there.
- 2.) Station Train Shed Project: Approval of the project to repaint the Union Station Sheds was finally received from Amtrak and work has been in progress for the last two weekends. The project is about half done. Work for this weekend will begin very early tomorrow morning.
- 3.) Toledo, OR Celebration: Toledo is celebrating the 100th anniversary of the arrival of the first passenger train in Toledo. An S.P. special including the Chapter's car #3300 will go to Toledo next weekend. The Oregon Historical Society has prepared and installed a display of Walt Grande's photos in the car.
- 4.) Car Mt. Hood: The Mt. Hood is now at Gunderson, Inc. for repainting. Work will begin next week.
- 5.) Neighborfair: About \$250 in merchandise was sold at Neighborfair plus a number of sign restoration pins.
- 6.) The Chapter has received from NRHS Senior Vice President George S. Hartman advising that the Pacific Northwest Chapter is now the largest in the NRHS with a membership of 402.
- 7.) The manager of the Portland Terminal RR. Co. has the Chapter the skeleton of one trainshed to scrap out. The scrap is worth about \$2300. Chapter member Duane DeLong who figured the value of the scrap recommended against the idea due to the equipment and other costs involved in carrying out the scrapping. Moved by Carl Rodabaugh to drop the idea of scrapping the shed. Seconded by Doug Auburg. Motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS

Expo '86: Rich Carlson reported that the Union Pacific is offering to cooperate with the Canadian Pacific to run trains to Vancouver, B.C. if the B.N. won't allow its tracks to be used. It looks doubtful that the B.N. will relent. The Oregon Expo '86 Committee has indicated that any train will be a VIP affair going to the fair. State money is still not available to run a train. Alan Viewig questioned why the Chapter hasn't done anything to organize a trip if the state won't. Rich Carlson replied that the Chapter simply doesn't have the money to finance a trip on its own.

Spokane Trip: Marilyn Rehm reported that 612 seats for the Spokane trip have been sold as of today. The trip will be sold out by the middle of next week. A limit on hotel space in Spokane makes 650 the practical limit for the train. Randy Nelson advised that he can use more photos for the trip guide.

NEW BUSINESS

By Law Revision Committee: Rich Carlson reported that he has appointed a committee to review and suggest improvements to the Chapter by laws now that they have been use for over a year. Jack Pfeifer and the rest of

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PACIFIC NORTHWEST CHAPTER - REGULAR CHAPTER MEETING - 8/16/85 (continued)
(CONTINUATION)

the committee have proposed a number of changes ^{WHICH} will be published in The Trainmaster as required before a vote.

Pressure Washer: Rich Carlson reported that the Chapter board has approved the purchase of a 2000 lb. pressure washer for use on the train shed project and later on the Chapter's equipment. The cost of about \$3000 will come from the rolling stock budget.

Neon Sign Dedication Reception: Rich Carlson reported that the board has recommended spending \$500 on a reception in connection with the formal lighting of the Union Station sign. Railroad VIPs, the city council and business people are to be invited. Moved by Kerrigan Gray, seconded by Ken Peters to approve \$500 for the reception. Motion passed.

Private Car Convention Technical Sessions: Rich Carlson reported that the board has recommend spending \$200 to send two Chapter members to the technical sessions to be held during the private car convention. Moved by Terry Parker, seconded by Eric Fellows to approve the \$200 expenditure. Motion passed.

Chapter Stationery Artwork: Rich Carlson advised that new artwork for the Chapter's stationery is being designed using the Union Station clock tower. \$200 is needed to finish preparation of the artwork. Moved by Doug Auburg, seconded by George Mickelson to appropriate the needed \$200. Motion passed.

Nominating Committee: President Rich Carlson announced the appointment of a committee to nominate Chapter officers and directors for 1986 as required by the by laws. The committee is: Dave Van Sickle, Chairman; Ben Fredericks; Larry Miller; Bob Hoffman; and Jack Pfeifer.

September Meeting Dates Changed: Rich Carlson announced that the September board meeting has been changed to the 19th and the regular meeting to the 27th.

Board Meeting Operation: Rich Carlson announced that in order to shorten Chapter board meetings he will no longer accept comments at random from the floor. Members wishing to speak before the board must notify the board in advance.

SP&S Mail Storage Car: Rolling Stock Committee Chairman Bob Hoffman advised that the Chapter has the opportunity to purchase an ex-SP&S mail storage car for \$2000. The car is in good condition and is now in Pasco, WA. The main purpose in acquiring the car would be to use it for a mini-museum display. There is enough in the rolling stock budget or the rolling stock and museum budgets together to cover the purchase. Moved by Doug Auburg, seconded by Kerrigan Gray, to purchase the SP&S mail storage car for \$2000, the money to come from the rolling stock and museum budgets. Motion passed.

Moved by George Mickelson, seconded by Doug Auburg, to spend \$125 to buy a collection of over 67 photos from David R. Coffee. Motion passed.

Alan Viewig requested that attendance of 70 members and guests be recorded. (The count furnished by Mr. Viewig).

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Chuck Storz

Chuck Storz, Secretary

JULY BOARD MINUTES

PACIFIC NORTHWEST CHAPTER - BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING - JULY 11, 1985

The meeting was called to order by President Rich Carlson at 8:10 PM.

The minutes of the board meeting of June 13th were approved as corrected.

Larry Miller reported for Treasure Vija Keeler. Balances in the Chapter's accounts as of June 30 were:

General account	\$41,933.92
CDIC account	33,683.15.

President Rich Carlson reported on the following:

1. Vancouver, WA Railroad Museum: On June 17 the Vancouver city council passed a resolution to authorize the formation of a committee to study the establishment of a railroad museum.
2. Union Station Train Shed Painting: Amtrak may pay for 75% of the total cost of painting the station sheds. The Chapter may need up to \$5 million in liability coverage for our members working on the sheds. We have \$3 million in coverage now. It will cost \$500 for the additional liability coverage. This cost will be included in the package to be paid by the Portland Terminal Co. and Amtrak.
3. Union Station Sign: Painting of the Union Station signs has been completed. The Neon tubes are now being repaired or replaced. The fund raising pins are sold out and a new supply has been ordered.
4. The August Chapter meeting will be at the PGE auditorium on S.E. 17th.

Toledo Celebration: Al McCready reported that the Toledo celebration is to commemorate the centennial of the first passenger train to arrive in Toledo in 1885. The Southern Pacific is sending a "sample" train and the business car "Oregon". Walt Grande has put together a collection of photos for the event. The Oregon Historical Society will make blowups of the best of the pictures and will also install them in car 3300. The Chapter will furnish car 3300 and manpower, but no Chapter money is to be spent.

Library Committee: Dale Hammersly reported that Ray McNight has donated some valuable items to the Chapter library.

Membership Committee: Connie McCready had no report this month.

Rolling Stock Committee: Bob Hoffman advised that the Chapter needs to pay Ed Berntsen \$300 for five Waukesha units. The Seattle & North Coast coach is due in from Seattle today. Car 3300 is to be prepared for the Toledo celebration. The committee will meet on July 20 at 10 AM. Bob Melbo is working for the donation by the S.P. of the two cars, now in Eugene, which the Chapter traded to the S.P. for the solarium car. The board discussed repainting the Mt. Hood in G.N. colors before the private car convention. Moved by Al McCready, seconded by Mary Lou Weaver, that the board recommend to the membership repainting the car Mt. Hood in G.N. colors before the private car convention. Motion passed. **M/S/P**

Excursion Committee: Mary Lou Weaver advised that approval of the board is needed for the \$85,000 budget so that preparations for the Spokane trip can begin. Mary Lou Weaver moved, seconded by Al McCready, to authorize the \$85,000 in the budget for the Spokane trip. Motion passed. Moved by Mary Lou Weaver to recommend to the membership an additional \$25,000 for

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CONTINUATION OF JULY BOARD MINUTES

PACIFIC NORTHWEST CHAPTER - BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING - JULY 11, 1985

the Spokane trip to cover expenses if the Chapter sold the maximum number of seats available on the cars Amtrak will provide. Seconded by Al Viewig. Motion passed. Moved by Randy Nelson, seconded by Al Viewig, to recommend to the membership an increase in the revenue side of the budget to balance the increased expense for the Spokane trip (increase of \$25,000 in revenue). Motion passed. Mary Lou Weaver advised that the excursion committee has recommended against operating Mt. Hood trips to Seattle this summer due to the high cost of \$80 for a one day trip. The committee feels that holding an open house each year is the best way to let the membership view the Chapter's rolling stock. Tickets for the Spokane trip cost: Single \$235, Double \$198, and child \$180. M/S/P

Museum Committee: Terry Parker reported that letters have been sent to thirty (30) museums with questions about their methods of operation.

Publications Committee: Dave Van Sickle reported that the publications committee met on July 6 to go over the brochure for the Spokane trip. The committee is working on a brochure for the car Mt. Hood.

By-Laws Committee: Jack Pfeifer reported that the committee has had its first meeting and looked at thirteen (13) proposals for changes to the by laws. At its next meeting on July 24 the committee will finalize its recommendations on the proposed changes.

Expo '86: Rich Carlson reported that the legislature appropriated \$2 million for the state's participation in Expo '86. Jack Pfeifer reported that the state committee wants to use the 4449 but that it appears that private money will be required. Rich expressed concern about the Chapter at least breaking even on any involvement.

Ben Fredericks asked the board if he should pursue marketing the tape of the Madras trip. He can get copies from Rogers Cablesystems and tape at a good price. The board informally approved the idea.

Present: Board: Weaver, Storz, Carlson, Dorsett, Viewig, Pfeifer, McCready, NELSON
Members: Immel, Fredericks, Hoffman, Rodabaugh, Parker, Rehm, Hammersly, Connie McCready, Van Sickle, Larry Miller, Brewer, Hodson, Tracy.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:25 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Chuck Storz, Secretary

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AUGUST BOARD MINUTES

PACIFIC NORTHWEST CHAPTER - BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING - AUGUST 8, 1985

The meeting was called to order by President Rich Carlson at 7:40 PM.

The minutes of the July meeting were approved as corrected.

Treasurer's report as of July 31, 1985:

General account	\$38,979.48
CDIC account	33,880.09
	<u>\$72,859.57</u>

President Rich Carlson reported on the following:

- 1.) Union Station Train Shed Painting: An answer was received on 7/26 with a go ahead from Amtrak on the shed painting. Scrapping and pressure washing is under way.
- 2.) Union Station Signs: The last sign neon was installed last Thursday. The signs were test operated from 7 to 11 PM that evening. Amtrak will buy a used PGE meter to monitor power use. Formal dedication of the re-stored signs will be on Sept. 20 at 7:30 PM. Rich proposed that the Chapter hold a reception with the sign lighting using the Mt. Hood and the 3300 at the station. Moved by John Holloway, seconded by Randy Nelson to recommend to the membership that \$500 be appropriated for the reception. Motion passed. *M/S/P*
- 3.) Neighborfair: The Chapter's effort went over well. Merchandise worth \$249 was sold at Neighborfair.
- 4.) The North Coast Daylight trip was cancelled due to only 19 reservations being received.
- 5.) Private Car Convention: There is a cost of \$100 a person to attend the convention which includes technical sessions. Moved by Al Viewing, seconded by Randy Nelson, to recommend spending \$200 to send two official Chapter representatives to the convention. Motion passed. *M/S/P*
- 6.) Rich Carlson reported that he has received a letter from NRHS Senior Vice President George S. Hartman advising that the Pacific Northwest Chapter is now the largest in the NRHS with 402 members.

Toledo Celebration: Al McCready reported that OHS has picked 30 of Walt Grande's photos for use in the exhibit for the 100th anniversary of the first passenger train to Toledo. Al has written captions to go with the pictures. OHS has made blowups for the exhibit and will install them in car 3300 next week. The car will be ready in plenty of time for the celebration.

Excursion Committee: Mary Lou Weaver reported that 271 tickets for the Spokane excursion have been sold plus a lot of blocked space for a total of 437 committed seats (train 2/3 sold). Jack Pfeifer reported that all the car hosts have been picked. Members of the board can go for the same \$20 a day cost as the car hosts. Ed Immel reports that the Mt. Hood has been booked for charters to Pendleton and Seattle.

Museum Committee: Terry Parker reported that the museum committee has been looking at the Chimney Park site in the St. Johns area. Terry stated that he wants the Chapter to have a representative on any committee set up to study locating a domed stadium in the 9th St.-Union Station area. Ed Berntsen informed the board that the national by laws recommend that a Chapter be incorporated or set up a separate corporation to operate a

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CONTINUATION OF AUGUST BOARD MINUTES

PACIFIC NORTHWEST CHAPTER - BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING - 8/8/85 (continued)

museum. Randy Nelson moved that the Chapter proceed with a museum as a Chapter project rather than setting up a separate corporation. Seconded by Al Viewig. Fred Dorsett moved, seconded by Jack Pfeifer, to table the motion. Motion to table passed.

Library Committee: Dale Hammersly advised that the library committee will meet next Sat. at 10 AM. Computerizing a list of library contents will be delayed due to the size of the project. Gordon Zimmerman pointed out that the California Railroad Museum has said that its best source of material is from people's estates.

Rolling Stock Committee: Bob Hoffman reported that the rolling stock committee has decided to change the car Mt. Hood over to composition brake shoes. Car 3300 has been cleaned up and a 110 volt system installed for the Toledo exhibit. Locks are to be installed on car 5604. One inside window on the 5604 must be replaced. The Mt. Hood was moved to Gunderson for repainting last week. It will be repainted with Imron matched to Dulux as a reference. Bob Melbo is still working on the donation of the two cars in Eugene. Rich Carlson reported that the Chapter has received a letter from the Southern Pacific requesting that the Chapter formally lease track at Brooklyn on which to store our equipment. The lease could cost up to \$5400 a year. Ed Berntsen recommended accepting S.P.'s proposal as a good buy for rented track with security. Rich Carlson felt that 1350 ft. of track as proposed by the S.P. is too much track to rent. Bob Hoffman recommended that the board accept the S.P. proposal. Moved by Randy Nelson, seconded by Mary Lou Weaver, that the Chapter advise the S.P. that it wants the track space and that a contract be negotiated. Motion passed.

M/S/P

Finance Committee: John von Gaertner reported that the finance committee missed getting the quarterly report in the August Trainmaster but that it will be in the September issue. John gave copies of the report to the board. Mary Lou Weaver asked that the finance committee compute the Chapter's yearly fixed overhead.

Publications Committee: Randy Nelson reported for the committee that he's looking at such projects as a calendar and the SP&S motive power book.

Concessions Committee: Mary Lou Weaver suggested selling or otherwise disposing of the perishable supplies stored in Room 1A. Terry Parker asked whether or not the Chapter should buy a table at the swap meet to be held in Vancouver on Sept. 28th.

Activities Committee: Jim Whaley reported that a rescheduling of the North Coast Daylight trip is possible in October. It would be a four day trip costing \$200 to \$250 a person. Jim said that he is also working on the annual January banquet.

Expo '86: Ed Immel reported that the Oregon Expo '86 committee has re-arranged its budget to provide for the cost of operation of the 4449 and train via Seattle. Ed pointed out that the consist of the train and thus the number of seats is unknown at this time and that the State of Oregon

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CONTINUATION AUGUST BOARD MINUTES

PACIFIC NORTHWEST CHAPTER - BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING - 8/8/85 (continued)

Expo '86 committee will decide on the consist. Discussion followed about the Chapter's interest in locomotive 4449 and arrangements for the possible sale of seats.

Louisiana World's Fair Daylight Commission Report: Rich Carlson asked if any further changes have been made in the commission's report. Marilyn Rehm brought the possibility of including the ticket audit in the report. The report is not yet ready in a completely final form.

By Law Committee Report: Jack Pfeifer gave copies to the board of written proposals for nine (9) by law changes. The committee recommends that all nine changes be adopted and that they be published as soon as possible in The Trainmaster. More changes are being considered or have already been dropped as having no merit. Moved by John Holloway, seconded by Mary Lou Weaver, to recommend to the membership that all nine changes be adopted. Motion passed. **M/S/P**

New Chapter Stationery: Rich Carlson advised that the artist is offering to complete the artwork for new Chapter stationery for \$100. Moved by Al Viewig, seconded by Al McCready, to recommend to the membership that \$200 be appropriated for the final artwork for new Chapter stationery. Motion passed. **M/S/P**

Membership Survey: Mary Lou Weaver advised that the survey form will be ready in September for approval by the board and then mailing to the membership.

Pressure Washer: Rich Carlson proposed, after some use at the station, that the Chapter buy rather than rent a pressure washer. The washer could be used for Chapter car maintenance after the station shed project is completed and possibly rented to members. Moved by Randy Nelson, seconded by Jack Pfeifer, to spend up to \$3000 from the rolling stock committee budget for a pressure washer. Motion passed. The board discussed possible problems with renting the washer to members and concluded that rentals may not be advisable. **M/S/P**

Excursion Newsletter: Mary Lou Weaver passed out copies of an announcement of a proposed excursion newsletter. She asked for the board's approval of the idea and for permission to spend money for an initial mailing to the excursion list. The board approved the announcement informally. The announcement is to be given out on the Spokane trip.

Trainmaster By Law: Mary Lou Weaver proposed the adoption of a by law covering the publication of The Trainmaster and gave copies to the board. The proposal spells out in some detail appointment of personnel, addition of reporter positions, and periodic review of content by the board. Mary Lou stated that her proposal was partly due to lack of action on part of the publications committee to improve The Trainmaster. Jack Pfeifer felt that the proposal has too much detail for a by law. Roger Phillips said that not enough recognition is given for work on The Trainmaster. Ed Berntsen agreed that the proposal is not suitable for a by law. Ed stated that as regional vice president of the NRHS he has received a lot of

CONCLUSION OF AUGUST BOARD MINUTES

PACIFIC NORTHWEST CHAPTER - BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING - 8/8/85 (concluded)

questions about what is going on in the Chapter as it is represented by The Trainmaster. Ed stated that The Trainmaster needs some professionalism to properly represent the Chapter. The consensus of the board was that President Rich Carlson should proceed to put Mary Lou's proposal into effect.

Discussion of Trainmaster Content: Mary Lou Weaver, Randy Nelson, John Holloway, Chuck Storz, Ed Immel, Ed Berntsen and others present had a number of questions and comments about the effect on the Chapter's reputation of material appearing in The Trainmaster. Specifically, in the August issue of The Trainmaster there were questionable comments by the editor on 1) his lack of knowledge of details of the 4449 going to Expo '86, 2) reference again to the 4449 and Expo '86 in connection with payment of 1986 Chapter dues, and 3) an unfavorable reference to certain supposed activities of private car owners. At least two members reported questions about the Chapter from other parts of the country asking what is going on in the Chapter based on these writings. Al Viewig stated that most of what is in question was intended to be humorous. Rich Carlson stated that he would work with Al Viewig to correct objections to material in The Trainmaster.

Jim Schmidt proposed that the Chapter take out memberships in the N.P., S.P. and SP&S historical societies and acquire all back issues of their newsletters available. The board agreed with the request and will ask the library committee to follow up.

Present: Board: Weaver, Nelson, Holloway, Storz, Carlson, Dorsett, Viewig, Pfeifer and McCreedy. Members: Whaley, Larry Miller, Berntsen, Brewer, Gordon Zimmerman, Rodabaugh, Rehm, Hodson, Immel, Hoffman, Hammersly, Phillips, Bill Miller, von Gaertner, Schmidt, Parker, Ackley.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:20 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Chuck Storz

Chuck Storz, Secretary

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MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT

Naturally your hardworking membership committee is taking full credit for bringing PNWC up to Number ONE of all NRHS Chapters. We will now meet Tuesday, September 17, 7:30pm, Room ONE, to discuss ways to make us also the most active.

Committee members and any interested chapter member should come around with ideas for increasing member participation in chapter activities. /s/ CONNIE MCCREADY

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The President's Page by Rich Carlson

"Project Train Shed" at Union Station started Sat., Aug. 3 with over 20 members showing up to scrape, pressure wash and wirebrush pillar, post and gutter. Another group almost as large came out on Sunday. This continued every weekend throughout the month, and on Aug. 22, the painters, headed by Mike Ackley, started spraying red primer. Compared to the preparation, the painting went incredibly fast, and it will likely be done by Labor Day. Even partially completed it looks infinitely better!

Invaluable to both pressure washing and painting was the track cart loaned us by PTRR Co. Scaffolding erected by Bob Bernard, Carl and Pete Rodabaugh proved perfect for the job. John Holloway also provided a high-railer for three days, courtesy of Ed Berntsen, with similar scaffolding. I can't name all the workers here, but my personal thanks and thanks from the chapter to all of you who gave up your weekends to help out. The chapter will get real credit for this, and we have earned real credibility with the railroads for showing we accomplish what we set out to do.

The formal dedication of the neon signs will take place at 7:30 p.m., Friday, Sept. 20. Seven persons will address the audience from the 'papal' balcony. There will be a searchlight to illuminate things, and possibly live music. Afterwards, the "Mount Hood" and the "3300" will be open for refreshments, parked in the midst of what may be 30 private cars parked on tracks one and two.

The Mount Hood will debut in its newly restored "Empire Builder" colors. The painting was done at Gunderson, Inc., overseen by Larry Miller and Bob Landregan. The 3300, recently returned from a weekend at Toledo, Oregon, where an impressive photo exhibit put together by Al McCreedy, Walt Grande and Lloyd Palmer thrilled over 1,000 visitors who celebrated the centennial of the railroad to Yaquina Bay. The Oregon Historical Society erected the displays and provided the blowups of the historic photos, some of which came from SP and the Lincoln County Historical Society.

A fire sparked by a freight derailment Aug. 20 on a bridge over the Columbia River caused some temporary concern about our "Great Northwest Rail Excursion." However, damage was relatively minor and it will run as planned. At this writing we have a sell-out with close to 750 passengers likely, hotel accommodations being the limiting factor. Unfortunately, we've had to turn away many would-be passengers.

The annual national convention of the NRHS in Lancaster, Pennsylvania has now taken place. In addition to John Holloway, who attended as National Director, were Mary Lou Weaver, Ed Immel and possibly Pete Dorland.

In early August, I was advised by George S. Hartman, Senior VP of the NRHS, that the Pacific Northwest Chapter now ranks No. 1 in the Society. He extended his best wishes to all of you. In a return letter, I thanked him and commented that while size is but one measurement of anything, we are overall enjoying a good year.

On Aug. 21, Bob Hoffman advised me that the chapter could possibly acquire the "Super Dome" car, and ex-Milwaukee Road full-dome/lounge, that has served as the Portland restaurant, "Silver Garden" and "Warsaw Express." Al Viewig had earlier inquired of the possibility of obtaining it, but not until the vandals and others got into it did things begin to happen. A quick telephone poll of the chapter board showed sufficient enthusiasm to move ahead, and if things go as planned, it will have been 'craned' out of its S.E. 2nd and S.E. Ash location onto an adjoining spur track on Aug. 28. First priority was to halt the ongoing stripping and removal of fixtures and furnishings by hiring security guards on Aug. 23. Kerrigan Gray put a team together who readied it for removal, where it sat on short track segments. Options for the car range from restoring it to operational condition to trading it to parting it out to converting it to a museum. At 112 tons, it is one big piece of rolling stock, by any standard.

Incidentally, the electric meter for the neon signs on the clock tower was installed on Aug. 16, and the electrician left the switches on. It has a timer and about 8 it came on and remained on all night, giving passers-by another preview. We got good news from that: it uses far less electricity than earlier estimated!

PROPOSED BY-LAW AMENDMENTS FROM REVISION COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN JACK PFEIFER

The following proposed revisions have met with the approval of the By-Laws Revision Committee and they have been presented to the Board at the August meeting. They will be published two times in the TRAINMASTER. The sequence and the numbering of the proposed revisions is random. Other suggested revisions are still under consideration.

ARTICLE XI - AMENDMENTS

Subject to the restrictions contained in the Articles of Incorporation, these bylaws may be amended or repealed as follows:

The Board or ten percent of the entire chapter members may propose that the by-laws be amended or repealed. The changes may be effected by a vote of two-thirds majority of the chapter members present at any regular business meeting of the chapter. Notification of the proposed change must be distributed to the chapter members at least thirty days in advance of any meeting where such change will be acted upon.

Proposed By-Laws Change #10NOW READS:AS AMENDED:

ARTICLE IX - FINANCIAL OPERATIONS

(ADD)

Section 9.05. Disclosure. The Treasurer and/ or the Finance Committee shall prepare a detailed financial report for each month, said report to include the beginning balance, an itemization of income, an itemization of expenses, and the ending balance. Any amount in the beginning or ending balance representing sales receipts for an event, such as an excursion, which is to occur in a subsequent month shall be shown as a separate figure in those balances. This report shall be available to the Board at its next regular meeting. A similar financial report shall be prepared for each quarter and distributed to the members before the close of the following quarter. The chapter budget, audits, and all other written financial reports shall be made available only to chapter members, except as designated by the Board.

DISCUSSION:

The financial information now provided at Board and general meetings consists only of the total money in the bank and is of little value. The Board and the membership have a right to know where the money comes from and how it is being spent and, more importantly, to be able to request an explanation of any financial transaction they do not understand.

Throughout 1985 there has been mention of a detailed financial report but to date none has been forthcoming. Financial matters create a large part of the discussion and disagreement at Board and regular meetings. It is felt much of this will be avoided by the preparation and dissemination of monthly and quarterly financial reports as required by this by-laws addition.

NOW READS:

Proposed By-Laws Change #11

AS AMENDED:

Section 8.04. Standing Committees.

(ADD)

(h) Public Relations. The Public Relations Committee shall be responsible for sales promotions, contacts with the media and other public relations functions on behalf of the chapter.

DISCUSSION:

This proposal was contained in the committee report on The Louisiana World's Fair Daylight and its worth has been proven by the media activity on the last two excursions.

This proposal also included a suggestion the Public Relations Committee plan a foundation for gifts and bequests for the library and museum. The By-Laws Committee did not feel both of these responsibilities should come under one Committee. Additionally, there is already in existence an Historical Foundations Committee for the latter purpose.

Proposed By-Laws Change #4

NOW READS:

Section 8.04. Standing Committees.

(g) Activities. The Activities Committee shall be responsible for co-ordinating and promoting chapter banquets, picnics, swap meets and other activities.

AS AMENDED:

(g) Activities. The Activities Committee shall be responsible for co-ordinating and promoting chapter banquets, picnics, swap meets and other activities. It shall also be responsible for programs for the annual banquet and regular chapter meetings. In addition it shall maintain and store all equipment used for programs such as slide projectors, movie projectors, etc.

DISCUSSION:

A committee is better suited than an individual (i.e. currently the vice-president) to planning programs and assuming responsibility for the equipment.

This proposal originally provided for the annual banquet to be held in March for various good reasons and while the By-Laws Committee agrees it should be moved from January to get it away from weather problems, Christmas bills, etc., it was felt the scheduling of the annual banquet should not be rigidly controlled by the by-laws. There is no reason this could not be accomplished by agreement between the Activities Committee and the Board.

Proposed By-Laws Change #5NOW READS:

Section 8.03. Finance Committee. There shall be a Finance Committee established to oversee the operations of the Chapter. The Finance Committee shall consist of three chapter members who are not current officers or directors. The treasurer shall be an ex-officio non voting member of this committee. Term of office shall be one year and no member shall serve more than three consecutive years on the Finance Committee. This committee and its members are charged to:

AS AMENDED:

Section 8.03. Finance Committee. There shall be a Finance Committee established to oversee the operations of the chapter. The Finance Committee shall consist of five chapter members who are not current officers or directors. The treasurer shall be an ex-officio non voting member of this committee. Term of office shall be one year and no member shall serve more than three consecutive years on the Finance Committee. Members shall not be members of any other committee which they shall be auditing during their term. The chairperson or a designated member of the Finance Committee shall be present at every Board meeting. This committee and its members are charged to:

DISCUSSION:

This changes from three to five the number of members on the committee to put it in line with the other standing committees. It also adds the provision that no member of the Finance Committee can also be a member of another committee which it might be auditing, thereby eliminating any conflict of interest.

It also requires the presence of at least one member of the Finance Committee at all Board meetings. The absence of a representative from the Finance Committee at many Board meetings this year to provide financial information and/or answers has hampered the work of the Board in its efforts to conduct the chapter's business.

Proposed By-Laws Change #9NOW READS:

Section 8.04. Standing Committees.

(d) Library. The Library Committee shall be responsible for acquiring and maintaining all media and media hardware for the chapter library, for cataloging the contents of the chapter's collection in Room One, and for maintaining a chapter inventory list.

AS AMENDED:

(d) Library. The Library Committee shall be responsible for acquiring and maintaining all media and media hardware for the chapter library, for cataloging the contents of the chapter's collection of library related items, and for maintaining a chapter inventory list. It shall also establish requirements and organization for the use of the library.

DISCUSSION:

This merely adds to the duties of the Library Committee the duty to establish requirements and organization for the use of the library. It also eliminates the mention of Room One thereby applicable to all of the chapter's library related items.

Proposed By-Laws Change #1NOW READS:

Section 9.04. Expenditure of Funds. Expenditure of funds in excess of the budget must be authorized by the chapter members at any regular or special business meeting. The Finance Committee shall submit a report to the chapter members on every request to exceed the budget.

AS AMENDED:

Section 9.04. Expenditure of Funds. Expenditure of funds in excess of the budget must be authorized by the chapter members at any regular or special business meeting except the Board may at its discretion move funds from one line item to another line item within any one committee's budget providing the total of such line item changes does not exceed twenty-five (25) per cent of that committee's total budget for the calendar year.

DISCUSSION:

The budget is at best an educated guess as to the financial parameters of the upcoming year. The Board is elected by the members to conduct chapter business and therefore should have some leeway in adjusting the line items of a committee's budget without having to take each of these adjustments to the members for a vote and the inevitable long discussion. If a line item change or request for additional funds exceeds the 25% limitation or the committee's total yearly budget it would then be referred to the members for approval.

The last paragraph concerning the Finance Committee was dropped because in practice the Finance Committee has not, for whatever reason, performed this function. Too, the discussions by the members prior to a vote on money authorizations has covered all aspects of the matter and in all probability these same discussions by the members would occur even if a report was submitted by the Finance Committee.

If one or more members present at a business meeting would invoke the by-laws and insist on such a report from the Finance Committee before a vote on a money matter it would create undue delay in conducting the Chapter's business. Some money matters are brought up on the floor at a business meeting and this would necessitate an immediate meeting by the Finance Committee, if they were present, in order to quickly formulate a report, or a vote on the matter would have to be delayed until the next meeting as any report from the Finance Committee would be moot if not made prior to the vote.

Proposed By-Laws Change #3NOW READS:

Section 5.05. Vice-President. The vice-president shall be a member of the Board and shall in the absence or disability of the president perform the duties and exercise the authority of the president; and in general perform all duties as from time to time may be assigned to him/her by the president or the Board. The vice-president is also responsible for maintaining a current list of chapter assets. The vice-president is responsible for the monthly programs for the regular business meetings.

AS AMENDED:

Section 5.05. Vice-President. The vice-president shall be a member of the Board and shall in the absence or disability of the president perform the duties and exercise the authority of the president; and in general perform all duties as from time to time may be assigned to him/her by the president or the Board. The vice-president is also responsible for maintaining a current list of chapter assets. The vice-president is responsible for assisting the president in co-ordinating the activities of the committees; the use of facilities and equipment; and setting long range goals.

DISCUSSION:

Providing monthly programs and assuming responsibility for the equipment used in these programs is better handled by a committee. In proposed by-laws change #4 this activity is being made the responsibility of the Activities Committee.

Proposed By-Laws Change #7NOW READS:

Section 8.01. General Powers. The president shall have the power to establish and disband various advisory committees, both standing and special, and their respective chairpersons, with the advice and consent of the Board. The number of chapter members serving on any said committee shall be not less than three.

AS AMENDED:

Section 8.01. General Powers. The president shall have the power to establish and disband various advisory committees, both standing and special, and their respective chairpersons, with the advice and consent of the Board. The number of chapter members serving on any standing committee shall be not less than five and on any special committee not less than three.

DISCUSSION:

This, along with proposed change #5, provides consistent guidelines of not less than five members on all standing committees. It was felt this should not apply to special committees inasmuch as some circumstances might not call for that number on a special committee.

Proposed By-Laws Change #6

NOW READS:

Section 8.04. Standing Committees. There shall be the following Standing Committees consisting of no less than five chapter members appointed by the president and no one will serve on more than two standing committees. Each standing committee

AS AMENDED:

Section 8.04. Standing Committees. There shall be the following Standing Committees consisting of no less than five chapter members appointed by the president with the advice and consent of the standing committee chairpersons, subject to the approval of the Board. Each standing committee
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DISCUSSION:

Committee chairpersons need to be able to have some input as to the makeup of their committees. This will contribute to more harmony and productive effort by the committees and will afford the chairpersons the opportunity to contact, prior to assignment, out-of-town members to determine their availability.

This proposal also called for a change in the minimum from five to three, however it is the opinion of the By-Laws Committee the minimum for all standing committees should be left at five.

END OF NINE BY-LAW PROPOSED CHANGES

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FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT BY JOHN von GAERTNER

The next Finance Committee meeting will be in September. Please call me for information (639-0978) on date & time. Attached to this month's Trainmaster is the 2nd Quarter's Financial Report. The 2nd Quarter is for April, May, and June. As you may notice, our financial performance during this Quarter was substantially improved over the first three months of the years.

In fact, as it stands now, 1985 should be one of our best years to date. The Spokane Excursion is sold out, and as you see from the "Budget Evaluation Report" most revenue producing activities have exceeded or nearly met their budgets. /s/ JOHN von GAERTNER

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EXCURSION COMMITTEE REPORT by MARY LOU WEAVER

The Committee has been very busy handling ticketing and requests for information about the Great Northwest Rail Excursion. Thanks to all of you who bought tickets or helped distribute brochures. We're looking forward to another great trip. /s/ MARY LOU WEAVER

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ROLLING STOCK COMMITTEE REPORT by BOB HOFFMAN

The ROLLING STOCK COMMITTEE has been active this summer working on a number of projects, including the 3300, the Santa Inez, Mt. Hood, the PNWC 55, and the Warsaw Express, as well as the passenger sheds at Union Station.

The 3300 with its display by the Oregon Historical Society made a successful trip to Toledo and a return trip with an assorted motley crew of passengers. It is reported that a fun time was had. One broken window will be replaced soon.

The Mt. Hood has been painted & lettered in its former glory, and will be on display at Union Station at the convention of private rail cars in September in its new colors which is the way the car was received from the builder.

The PNWC 55 passed thru Union Station at 11am Thursday August 29 on its way to its PNWC home shop at Brooklyn for some restoration work and preparation for the Chapter's mini-museum. The 55 is the former SP&S 55 Mail Storage Car, recently retired from MW service on the BN at Pasco.

Kerrigan Gray was recently appointed sub-committee Chariman of PNWC 57, the former Warsaw Express, former Silver Garden, former Milwaukie Super Dome. Kerrigan and his crew did a bang up job on the "Polish Princess" and his report follows:

THE SUPER DOME REPORT by KERRIGAN GRAY:

The Super Dome car, thought to be ex-Milwaukie Road #51 or 57, has been prepared for placement back on the rails. This car was brought to Portland to be converted into a restaurant, THE SILVER GARDEN. After that concern folded it became a Polish restaurant, THE WARSW EXPRESS.

Through that business going bankrupt and salvage scavengers starting to strip the car, the Small Business Administration saw fit to let PNWC move the car to a safer location. The car with its original lower lounge and bar intact, has been prepared for movement by the hard working team of KERRIGAN C. GRAY, project leader, KEN KEELER, RAY MYER, whose efforts were massive and fueled by the exhaustic work of GERRY BALDWIN, JIM BUCKLEY, "Plywood" MIKE BALTEAU, FRED DORSETT, KYRIAN Y. GRAY, BOB HOFFMAN, STEVE HOWES, NOEL NELSON, TERRY PARKER, KEN PETERS, DAVE VAN SICKLE, DAVE STIMIC, and AL VIEWIG (for being there when the important phone call came.)

At this writing (25 August) the car and adjacent siding are prepared and ready to move. If all goes well, this largest of all passenger carrying land vehicles will present a challenge and many possibilities as to its future uses. /s/ KERRIGAN GRAY

The Committee really appreciates all the extra help from our fine volunteers who work on the rolling stock with us. Thank you one and all. /s/ BOB HOFFMAN

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NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT by DAVE VAN SICKLE

In accordance with Article IV, Section 4.01, of the By-Laws, the Nominating Committee is requesting nominations for Chapter officers to be elected at the November meeting. Please get the consent of the person whose name you you are suggesting.

You can give the name to one of us or put suggestions in the PUBLICATIONS BOX at Room ONE. DAVE VAN SICKLE, Chairman; BEN FREDERICKS; BOB HOFFMAN; LARRY MILLER, and JACK PFEIFER

/s/ DAVE VAN SICKLE

LIBRARY COMMITTEE REPORT by DALE HAMMERSLY

The Library Committee met on Saturday, August 10th. We had all but postponed the project of computerizing our books when member JIM LOOMIS volunteered to tackle the job of programming the info on the discs. It is certain the chapter will be most grateful to Jim for taking on such a project. Several others will help but Jim seems to be among the most knowledgeable members in the area for computers. Again, a big thank you.

In response to several members' suggestions, the Library Committee will purchase and/or otherwise acquire additional materials. Please make your suggestions and recommendations known to the Library Committee if there is a particular book or books you think the Chapter should have. Also, if you know of sources other than the local book stores, please let us know.

The next Library Committee meeting is not yet set. Please call for info:

639-4987 - evenings / 648-8588 - days /s/ DALE HAMMERSLY

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MUSEUM COMMITTEE REPORT by TERRY PARKER

The Committee is putting a proposal together that involves obtaining local non-Chapter support to help further the search for a museum site.

The new baggage car, the Ex-SP&S #55, obtained by the Chapter, will be used by the Museum Committee for historic displays.

The Committee will next meet at the end of September.

/s/ TERRY PARKER

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FINANCIAL COMMITTEE BUDGET EVALUATION

The FINANCE COMMITTEE under the direction of Committee Chairman John von Gaertner, has supplied pages 19 and 20 of this issue of the TRAINMASTER. The last two pages are only being sent to members. The following accounting exceeded the space set aside for the last two pages and it shows Revenue and it is self explanatory.

Budget Evaluation Report

PNWC-NRHS

Fiscal year 1985

Prepared By	Initials	Date
Approved By		

Revenues Second Quarter			Dollar	percent
	Budget	2nd Qtr	YTD Total	YTD Total
Revenues				
Dues	6000-	753-	7401-	123.4
Interest	2500-	1344-	2222-	88.9
Swap meet	1700-	0	2734	160.8
Mt Hood excursion	21000-	0	1450-	6.9
Madras	105000-	58841-	131357	125.1
Spokane	113000-	0	0	0
Banquet	1200-	0	628-	52.3
Railfans Guide	10000-	0	0	0
Sales, Raffle, Misc	5000-	3003-	4747-	94.9
Total Revenue	315400-	63941-	150539-	47.7

Budget Evaluation Report
PNWC-NRHS

Prepared By	Initials	Date
Approved By		

Fiscal Year 1985

4804 (84804) - Buff
8804 (88804) - Green

	Expenses Second Quarter	Budget	2nd Qtr	Dollar YTD Total	Percent YTD Total
1	OPERATIONS				
2	Misc. (Incl Neon Sign)	3000-	480-	2187-	72.9
3	Rent	3540-	910-	1795-	50.7
4	Telephone	1200-	368-	684-	57.0
5	Office supplies/postage	2000-	610-	1719-	86.0
6	National dues	2500-	303-	3638-	145.5
7	Insurance-General	500-	401-	406-	81.2
8	Insurance-rolling stock	1000-	-	-	-
9	Subtotal	13740-	3072-	10429-	75.9
10					
11	National director	1000-	0	0	0
12	Museum	10000-	(200)-	(200)	-.02
13	Library	1500-	715-	715-	47.7
14	Subtotal	12500	515-	515-	4.1
15					
16	Rolling Stock				
17	Mt Hood	3000-	171-	179-	6.0
18	3300	3000-	0	196-	6.5
19	4449	10000-	0	0	0
20	Other	10000-	429-	955-	9.6
21	Subtotal	26000-	600-	1330-	5.1
22					
23	Excursions				
24	Madras	25000-	86194-	94346-	111.0
25	Spokane	25000-	0	0	0
26	Mt Hood rental	12000-	0	1102-	6.1
27	Subtotal	122000-	86194-	94346-	41.9
28					
29	Activities				
30	Swan meet	800-	905-	1661-	207.6
31	Banquet & picnic	1200-	343-	952-	79.3
32	Subtotal	2000-	1248-	2613-	130.7
33					
34	Publications				
35	railfans guide, misc.	5000-	0	471-	9.4
36	Trainmaster	4000-	1121-	1931-	48.3
37	Subtotal	9000-	1121-	2402-	26.7
38					
39	Total Expenses	251240-	92750-	112737	44.7

Pacific Northwest Chapter NRHS

INCOME STATEMENT

Prepared By	Initials	Date
Approved By		

	1	2	3	4
	1st Qtr	YTD	2nd Qtr	YTD
OPERATING REVENUE:				
Dues	6648 -	6648 -	753 -	7401 -
Raffle	92 -	92 -	0	92 -
Swap meet	2734 -	2734 -	0	2734 -
Banquet and Picnic	628 -	628 -	0	628 -
Concession sales	1652 -	1652 -	2436 -	4088 -
Publications	0	0	0	0
Project B4	259 -	259 -	567 -	826 -
Mt Hood rental	1450 -	1450 -	0	1450 -
Madras Trip	0	0	131357 -	131357 -
Total Operating Revenue	<u>13463 -</u>	<u>13463 -</u>	<u>135113 -</u>	<u>148576 -</u>
Other Income:				
Dividends and Interest	878 -	878 -	1344 -	2222 -
Donations	797 -	797 -	39 -	836 -
Total Other Income	<u>1675 -</u>	<u>1675 -</u>	<u>1383 -</u>	<u>3058 -</u>
Total Revenue	<u>15138 -</u>	<u>15138 -</u>	<u>136496 -</u>	<u>151634 -</u>
Deduct: COST OF SALES:				
National Dues	3335 -	3335 -	303 -	3638 -
Library and Museum	270	270	515 -	785 -
Swap meet	756 -	756 -	905 -	1661 -
Banquet and picnic	609 -	609 -	343 -	952 -
Concession sales	2661 -	2661 -	996 -	3657 -
Publications	471 -	471 -	0	471 -
Mt Hood Transportation	1102 -	1102 -	0	1102
Project B4	712 -	712 -	193 -	905 -
Neon Sign Project	1600 -	1600 -	10 -	1610 -
Madras Trip	0	0	94346	94346 -
Gross Profit (Loss)	<u>3622 -</u>	<u>3622 -</u>	<u>38889 -</u>	<u>42507 -</u>
Deduct: Overhead Expenses:				
Rent and Upkeep	885 -	885 -	910	1795 -
Telephone	316 -	316 -	368	684 -
Postage & Freight	474 -	474 -	264	738 -
Insurance, general	5 -	5 -	401	406
Insurance, rolling stock	0	0	0	0
Office supply	635 -	635 -	346 -	981 -
Trainmaster	810 -	810 -	1121	1931 -
Rolling Stock R&M	730 -	730 -	171 -	901 -
Misc.	107 -	107 -	470	577
Total Overhead Expenses	<u>3962 -</u>	<u>3962 -</u>	<u>4051 -</u>	<u>8013 -</u>
Net Profit (LOSS)	<u><340></u>	<u><340></u>	<u>34834 -</u>	<u>34494 -</u>