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**The South Central Wisconsin Division
is celebrating 50 years of the
Bad Order publication!**

**To commemorate this milestone,
SCWD/NMRA lifetime member
Pete Olson
has written a special article this month
on the history of the Bad Order**

Super's Report

Phil Hottmann
Division Superintendent

The first regular division meeting for the 2018/2019 season is coming up soon on September 9. How does the summer go by so fast? I hope you have been able to get out and enjoy the summer with both rail and non-rail activities. I'm looking forward to getting back to working on my layout this fall after taking some time away from that on a basement remodeling project.

I am planning to attend the National Narrow Gauge convention in Minneapolis starting on September 5. I'll share highlights from this trip at a future division meeting.

Next SCWD Meet:

September 9, 2018 at 1:00 pm
Zor Shrine Temple

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Next BOD Meeting:

September 10, 2018 at 7:00 pm
Zor Shrine Temple

Next Youth Group Meeting:

September 16, 2018
Zor Shrine Temple

A few weekends ago, I was in Waupaca as part of an annual golf weekend with longtime friends. We happened to be at a butcher shop right across the street from the railroad depot which is no longer in operation and is now run by the Waupaca Historical Society. We were there an hour before the posted opening time, but a volunteer was very kind to let us in. He gave us a wonderful tour of the station, the potato car, a renovated cabooses, and a couple model railroads in the lower level of the building.

We are still looking for someone to help organize the layout tours that follow our regular meetings. This person would act as co-chair with Dave Dingman who has kindly agreed to take this on as the other co-chair.

This season's modeling project will be "New Uses for Old Cabooses". I'll have more information at the upcoming meeting.

As I mentioned last time, please give some thought to how we can generate more interest in the January Rail School. I would be happy to receive any and all ideas from you at the September meeting.

Phil Hottmann
Superintendent

Youth Group

Steve Brist

This summer the SCWD Model Railroad Youth Group had busy “Days” visiting both Railroad Days at Little Amerricka and Diesel Days at the Illinois Railway Museum. The visit to Little Amerricka was in conjunction with the annual SCWD Picnic in July. Youth Group members arrived early at the Whiskey River Railway yard and watched the fire up of the steam engines and were given a guided tour of the Railroad Shop. We visited the Roundhouse, talked to the crews and then listened in as the engine crews had their morning briefing. We were then welcomed to the SCWD Picnic at the Little Amerricka Pavilion.



In August, we got to see historic Diesel locomotives operate at IRM. The Museum was very busy; with both Alco and EMD units pulling multiple train consists. We rode in air conditioned luxury on the Zephyr, in a Union Pacific caboose from the 1940s, in a Lackawanna coach from 1917 and in a bi-level commuter train. We saw both Fairbanks Morse and GE diesels operate. We also



got to go through the IRM steam shop with a volunteer, where we saw IRM's Shay locomotive, which is being tested after a rebuild.



Next month we will resume our monthly meeting schedule. Our next meeting will be Sunday, September 16 at 1 PM, at the Zor Shrine Building, at 575 Zor Shrine Place, on Madison's west side, near West Towne Mall. We are all looking forward to getting back together and having fun with model railroading.

See you then!
Steve

The Clinic Corner

Bob Wundrock
Clinic Chair

To kick off the 2018-19 SCWD model railroading year, we once again welcome Rich Mahaney for two clinics.

As a tie-in to our modeling project this year, Rich will present:

The Second Lives Of Caboose.

This clinic looks at cabooses still in service, cabooses that have been turned into businesses or part of business, cabooses that have been turned into information stands and cabooses that can be found next to train stations, in parks and at museums. This presentation gives the modeler ideas for caboose uses on a modern era layout or for diorama displays.



Rich's second clinic will be:

“OMG” – Prototypical Accessories To Buildings and Communities For Model Railroads!

Take a look at the accessories and details that you are missing on your buildings and in your communities that stand out when you look around or travel around. The only thing you can say when you see these images is “OMG”! Most of these additional features can probably come from the scrap boxes or parts and pieces underneath your layout or on your work bench. You may not have much to buy when you go through “spare stuff”. Hope to see you all on September 9th.

Bob

Contest Column

Dave Lendved, Steve Lanphear and Dave Down
Contest Co-Chairs

The Popular Vote Contests' theme for the September 9 meeting is “Mini-Convention”. What the heck does that mean? That's the question several SCWD members have asked. I guess it's not that clear. The “Mini-Convention” theme incorporates broad categories that correspond (roughly) to categories in official NMRA judged contests that we see at regional or national conventions. The broad categories make it easy for everyone to find something to enter. We try to make it simple for the first meeting of the modeling season. So, bring in a photo or a model or both.

September 9 Photo and Model Contests Theme: Mini-Convention

- Cat. A Locomotives
- Cat. B Freight Cars
- Cat. C Passenger Cars
- Cat. D Structures

SCWD 2018-19 Video Contest Starts Now

The SCWD video contest will be announced at the September 2018 Meeting and is open for submitting entries on October 1, 2018.



Here are the things you need to know:

- There are two categories: **Prototype** and **Model**.
- The contest is open to who attend the SCWD meetings.
- The person submitting an entry must be the one who took the video, however you may have help from others in editing your entry.
- The video can be from any time period (it doesn't have to be taken just to enter this contest).
- It has to be a **maximum** of 5 minutes in length and the file has to be less than 2GB in size.
- All videos must be on a railroad theme.
- The video can have title screen but not necessary, however there should be no names or identifiers on it (it is a “blind” contest).
- For the **Model Category**, the video can be of anyone's layout, not just your own.
- First, second and third place will be given for each category (no points given toward annual Photographer contest).
- Deadline for Entries – **Feb 1** (you will upload all entries to the website listed on the SCWD website, Video Contest webpage).

- You may enter more than once (max. of 5 entries per person).
- Voting starts Feb 15 on the SCWD Video Contest webpage voting will be closed on end of day April 1.
- Winners will be announced at the April Meeting.

Modeling Project

Phil Hottmann

New uses for old cabooses

This is the theme for this year's Modeling Project

We will be offering N and HO scale cabooses to produce a diorama. The adult entry fee will be \$15. You may sign up at either September or October SCWD meetings. The caboose will be available for pick-up at the October and November meetings. Awards will be for the best entries determined by popular vote. Adult: first place \$75, second place \$50 & third place \$25.

Project Guidelines:

Must complete diorama and bring to the April 2019 meeting.

Pay entry fee at sign up or pick up.

Project Rules:

1. Caboose must be modeled and added to a diorama.
2. Caboose may be altered as preferred, i.e. caboose is an ice-cream shop
3. Caboose must be mounted on a base and structure(s) and/or scenery detail must be added.
4. Overall diorama base dimensions cannot exceed 200 square inches for N scale and 400 square inches for HO scale.

Project awards

Awards are \$300 total in Gift Certificates to the Madison Hobby Stop.

Awards are in two categories: Adult and Youth.

Each category will have three places; first place \$75, second place \$50 & third place \$25

In the case of ties in a category, the award will be split equally.



Layout Tours

Phil Hottmann

Layout Tour Chair

Although these are both in Lake Mills, it should be well worth the 45-minute drive from the Zor Shrine Temple. Both live on the west side of Rock Lake in the Town of Lake Mills.

The first layout is Bob Boelter's G gauge Beer Line. Last year we saw a presentation that Bob presented on his layout. This should be fun to see.

The second layout is by Kerry Denson. He has a medium-sized, furniture grade layout, that features Wisconsin landscapes, farms and Wisconsin railroads. His expertise is super-detailing rolling stock and structures and does great weathering. Although Kerry is a division member he devotes considerable time to volunteering at the National Railroad Museum in Green Bay where he runs a 1:1 scale locomotive pulling trains carrying museum visitors.

Phil

A Hot Time In Kansas City

Ken Hojnacki



The BBQ wasn't the only thing hot in Kansas City—the temperature was 90+ every day but one—but the model railroading fun was keeping pace. In addition to me and my wife Shirley, SCWD was represented by Bill and Rose Weber, Donn and Rose Tolley, Dave Down, Paul and Kathy Mangan and Fred and Sandy Robinson (didn't see Fred until the Train Show—how did I miss him among 1500 people?). The very full week of activities began Sunday afternoon with the Silent Auction room open for receiving items and the Special Interest Group room open for the Operations and Layout Design groups. The OpSig, as it is called, is a group interested in all types of prototypical operations and provides its members the opportunity to operate on layouts at the convention. After delivering my auction items, I headed to the first of four operating sessions. This added activity is a lot of fun and I got to operate on two narrow gauge layouts and two standard gauge layouts. Ask me about the OpSig sometime.

Clinics started Sunday night and continued through Saturday. There were some great ones on everything from rolling stock to scenery, structures to layout design, operations, electronics and historical topics. There were so many to choose from it was hard to see them all. Two that I especially enjoyed were on printed building interiors and painting figures. Our own Donn Tolley also presented his clinic on battery powered locomotives—actually one of two clinics on this topic. I heard a number of people say in another 5-10 years, this will be the next big leap in control systems with no more power through the rails. No more far fetched than wishing for sound locomotives in the 1960s and the numerous offerings we now have.

Layouts—I mean LAYOUTS! If you have been to Bill and Rose Weber’s UP or Bill Clancy’s RGP, you have seen big layouts. But the Kansas City area has an unbelievable number of layouts of those sizes—and bigger! And not just in HO; there were huge layouts in N and O as well. MMR Steve Priest’s Santa Fe layout, featured recently in the NMRA Magazine, was just one example of a well scenicked layout with not only Santa Fe but Rock Island and Southern Pacific power hauling long trains.



Eric Goodman had another great Santa Fe layout.



Bret Overholtzer’s MKT layout in N was very impressive as well.



And Doug Taylor had two layouts—East Broad Top narrow gauge and Pennsylvania from Altoona to Pittsburgh—with lots of steam and diesels and the Horseshoe Curve.



John Vandenberg’s HOn3 Denver & Rio Grande layout.



And I only got to a few of the many great layouts. Ask Bill Weber about the UP layout he says dwarfs his—hard to believe.

This was the last opportunity to participate in the Operations Roadshow layout. This modular layout based on the final two months of the Wabash Railroad operations, made its last trek to a convention. The layout will have a permanent home in Indiana but a number of us had a chance to run one last time.

There were lots of tours to railroad and non-railroad destinations. While I did not go on any, I heard many were excellent. I never did make it to the contest room but our own Sandy Robinson won 1st and Best of Show in the Arts and Crafts Contest. Congratulations, Sandy.



The week finished up with the National Train Show. It is always fun to visit with our favorite manufacturers and some new ones to see what new goodies they have to offer. Dealers had plenty of things to add to our shopping bags. While Bill Weber and I agreed we're at the point that we don't need more cars, I resisted but Bill gave in. Ask him about them at his next session. There were some great modular layouts there as well.



Bill and Rose Weber & Ken and Shirley Hojnacki

In addition to all the railroad fun and renewing old friendships and making new ones, there were plenty of opportunities to enjoy some great food—BBQ being king—but other cuisines as well. Next year will be in Salt Lake City. If you haven't attended a National convention, you're missing out. Give it a try.

Ken



SCWD Board of Directors Meeting Minutes June 11, 2018



The Board of Directors meeting for the 2017-2018 South Central Wisconsin Division, Midwest Region, National Model Railroad Association was called to order at 7:00 p.m. on June 11, 2018 by Superintendent Bob McGeever. In attendance were Board members **Dave Lendved, Bob McGeever, Steve Preston, Phil Hottmann, Jerry Lawler, Ken Hojnacki, Bill Clancy**. Absent: Phil Berry

Minutes Approval: Motion to approve the Minutes for the May 2018 meeting was made by Dave L. and seconded by Bill Clancy. Minutes were approved.

Paymaster Report: Report included banquet expenses. Motion to approve the Paymaster report for May. Motion made, seconded and approved.

May 2018 meeting was made by Ken H. and seconded by Bill C. Minutes were approved.

BOD reported that the SCWD would be meeting at the Zor Shrine facility through 2020.

Committee Reports:

Bad Order: Cost is \$450/month. Nothing more to report.

Clinics: All meetings have clinics linked to them. Refer to the 2018 schedule published in the Bad Order clinic subject. Bob Wundrock has agreed to lead the clinics programs for one more year

Contests: The board agreed to continue with the video contest that was begun this year. Board also agreed to contract the NMRA magazine Scale Rails to update them with this activity.

For 2018-19, BOD, member Sean Lamb, a professional photographer will assist the BOD with coordinating issues relating to intellectual property use and release forms associated with the video contest.

Themes for next year will be announced at the first meeting in the fall.

Modeling Project for 2017-2018: Theme for next year will be announced at the first meeting in the fall. It will be 'Repurposing Cabooses'. Phil Hottmann has agreed to remain as modeling project chair for 2018-2019.

Door prizes (Meetings): Bill Weber is responsible for the meeting door prizes and has budget. He reports that all is well with meeting and banquet door prizes.

Layout tours: Superintendent will approach several members to gauge interest in taking over the chair of Layout Tour activity.

Membership: Steve Preston's efforts at the Rail Show were very successful. There will be some minor adjustments for 2019 based on lessons learned from this year's first effort. New literature for the 9 -month Railpass will be created.

Steve proposed providing several magazines to new members. These include the Atlas Wiring, and 7 Steps to HO Railroads.

Picnic: BOD agreed to return to Little Americka in 2018 as it has activities/rides for kids as well as a nice facility for the adults. The picnic will be scheduled at the same time as the park's Whiskey River Days festival. The date will be July 14th.

Rail School: The date for the Rail School will be January 6, 2019. Bill Clancy agreed to coordinate the 2019 Rail School. He recruited Mike Vivion, Ken Hojnacki, and Phil Hottmann to supervise the Rail School activity.

They will develop a theme for the school and set up teams of members to work on various aspects of the school with a slightly different approach. The group will keep the Board apprised as the plan takes shape.

The Division has acquired additional Blue Box models for distribution at the 2019 Rail School. We may need to get more based on a count of total existing and anticipated attendance.

The Superintendent asked for volunteers to help him with set up and takedown of the Rail School room setup. A number of members agreed to come early to help set up and to stay later to help take down. This worked well in 2018 and the plan is continue this approach for 2019.

Youth Group: Jerry Lawler continues to assist Steve Brist with the Youth Group. The May Youth Group program was a great success. 16 Youth Group attended and Jerry provided the materials needed. Each youth attending was able to practice making mountains and other scenery materials and all left with several samples of their work.

Capitol 400: The event financial report was submitted and the item is closed.

Old Business: It was determined that the SCWD will not host the MWR Fall Meeting.

New Business:

Proposed changes to the Bylaws Election of BOD officers. Item was discussed at length and will be reviewed again at the August meeting.

Rail Show new trains – Discussion to replace the wooden Brio trains used by the children’s play area at the Rail Show. Research will be done to determine costs and availability.

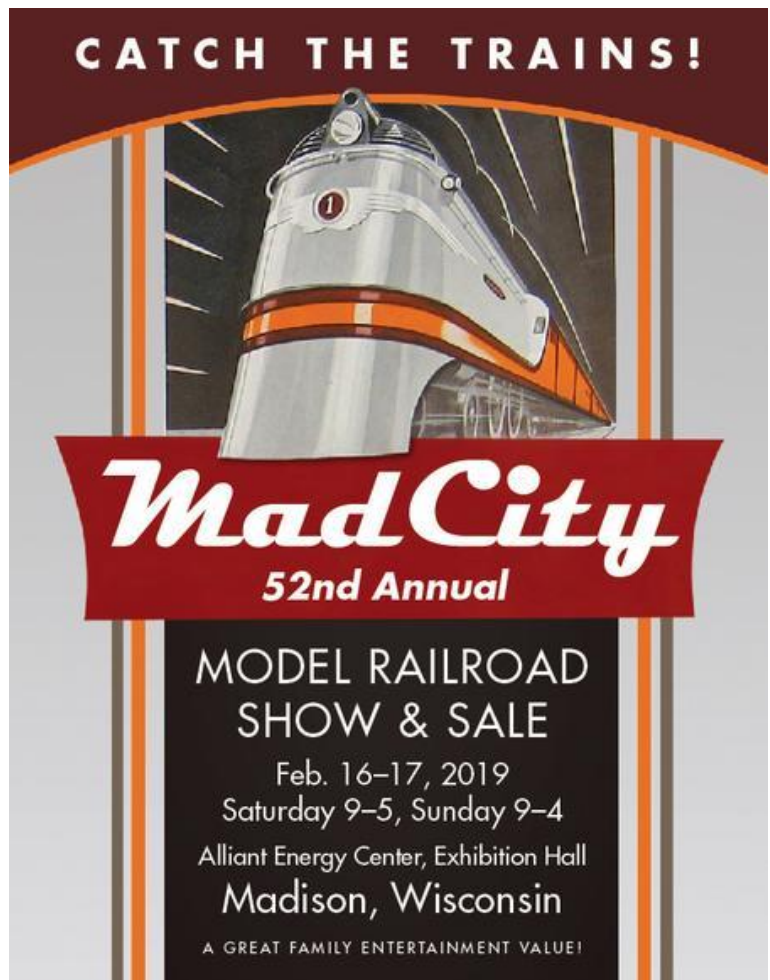
WMR BOD meeting will be held in Rockford in October.

Zor Contract – Upcoming year’s contract was presented and BOD discussed. No changes are planned by the Board. Room rates for this year remain unchanged. \$95 for Regular/Youth meetings, \$50 for BOD meetings. The total for these is \$2,070 for the year Banquet has been \$125 buy may increase to %250 for this year.

Adjournment: Ken Hojnacki moved for adjournment and Bill C. seconded and the Board approved adjournment at 8:15 pm.

Respectively submitted by
Jerry Lawler, SCWD Chief Clerk

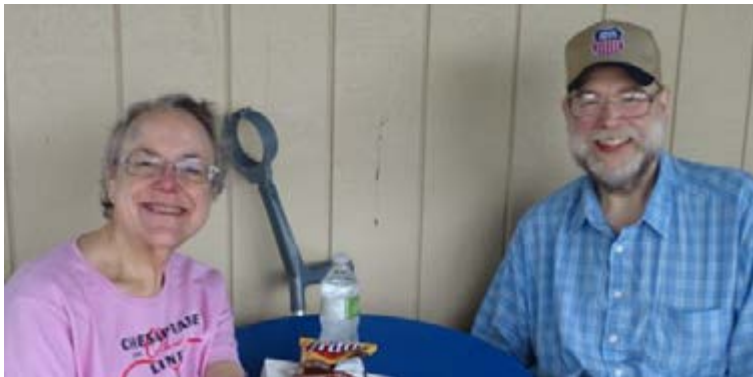
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Thanks to John Haverberg
for once again
planning a wonderful SCWD
annual picnic!!!

thank
you!



A look back at the history of the *BAD ORDER*

Pete Olson

Lifetime Member of the NMRA and longtime member of the SCWD

Upon the arrival of the September 2017 issue of the Bad Order, I noticed that it was labeled Volume 49 Issue No. 1. Could it really be that the Bad Order is nearly 50 years old? My, how time flies... This prompted me to remember how it all came to be. I also thought that some of you might wonder about who were the first editors, who were the officers of the South Central Wisconsin Division and even, perhaps, what pearls of wisdom it contained, not to mention how it got its unique name! Well, if any of this makes you curious, here is a brief introduction.

From its inception in mid-1960, the S.C.W.D. notified its members of upcoming Division meetings via a post card, giving the date and location of the event. Local hobby shops often posted these so that others might be aware of the wonderful opportunity to meet with other model railroaders and join in the fun. By 1967, a one-page flyer, folded in half, was mailed out allowing more detailed information to be provided and to be displayed in a "poster" type format.

In the spring of 1968, a group of teenaged pals were on a train-chasing outing in southwestern Wisconsin and the idea of a newsletter giving more information regarding upcoming events, a record of past meetings and even swap listings would best support an active and growing Division such as the S.C.W.D. The question of what to name this proposed newsletter occupied the better part of the afternoon. Many different names were suggested, including most railroad themed titles such as "The Signal", "The Semaphore", "The Telegraph", etc. While passing the C&NW Monona Yards along Fordem Avenue on the way back home, we spotted a few old and battered freight cars on the "Rip Track" affixed with "Bad Order" notices. Well, you can imagine what four teen-aged boys immediately shouted out: BAD ORDER! By instant and unanimous proclamation, the name stuck!

So, what to do? Propose the idea to the Division officers? Who would edit/prepare the publication? What would it cost? How much should it contain? What format would it take? It was decided that during the summer, the four of us would put together a sample issue to introduce the idea and gain support for funding and to solicit ideas for content.

The mast-head for this sample issue contained the following:

SOUTH CENTRAL WIS. DIV. N. M. R. A.			
Superintendent	Bob Dunham	Clerk	Don Herling
Assistant Supt.	Dave Donkle	Treasurer	Rad Becker
Board of Directors			
Bob Steele	Phil Tygum		Doug Taylor
Associate Editors			
Scott Loomer		Jay Young	
Pete Olson		Mike Carlson	

The cover was entitled

S.C.W. DIV. BAD ORDER

The "Bad Order" was slanted at an angle using a "stencil" type style as has been used on virtually all issues. Cover art was hand traced by Scott Loomer from a drawing in his possession of the front elevation of a SHAY locomotive. The NMRA LOGO consisting of a locomotive driver with a coupler superimposed on it occupied the lower left-hand corner and the date JULY 1968 was located in the lower right-hand corner.

The cover and all four pages were hand drawn and typed on mimeograph stencil forms and subsequently run off on a borrowed mimeograph machine courtesy of Pete's mom's office. The four editors paid all expenses for supplies out their pockets. After showing the proposed publication to the board of directors, they agreed to provide mailing expenses and inserted the fall meeting flyer as page 3 of the pilot issue. Articles contained in the issue were titled:

"WHAT IS IT?" - describing the publication;

"CALENDAR" - listing upcoming meetings and conventions (including a note to attend the tri-Divisional Meet in Madison at a cost of \$2.00 (!);

"TRAINWATCHING IN LACROSSE" - a description of the outing taken by the associate editors which resulted in the naming of the publication;

"LOCAL TRAIN NEWS" - noting Milwaukee Road and Chicago & Northwestern doings;

"CLASSIFIED ADS" - listing 3 "WANT" ads by local Division members;

"TRACK PLAN OF THE MONTH" - A drawing of a switching layout which would appear at the up-coming Tri-Divisional Meet.

This initial issue met with a good reception on the part of the Board of Directors and Division members. It was finally decided to support the publication however funds for further issues were short as mailing costs and costs to hold the Rail Show (then called the "Open House") used all available funds. Luck (and hard work!) made for a very successful 1970 Open House allowing funding for a SECOND EDITION of the "BAD ORDER" which then appeared dated MARCH 1970. This issue arrived with another hand drawn tracing on the cover, this time a front view of the C.P. locomotive "JUPITER". The Masthead listing Assoc. Editors for this issue now numbered two: Scott Loomer and Pete Olson. Chief Clerk Dave Rawlings handled Circulation duties. Content included: "DUMPING THE AIR" (Editorial); "THE SUPER CHIEF" (Superintendents Column); "B.O.D. MEETING" (minutes); "OPEN HOUSE REVISITED" (summary of event); "CALENDAR"; and "NEW MEMBERS" listing. A conventional flyer for the April 1970 meeting was attached as Page 4.

A third issue was then produced as VOL. 2 NO. 2 in MAY 1970 with a wonderful sketch of the old Jefferson, Colorado depot drawn by Don Herling. Note that at that time Division Meetings were held the second Sunday of the even numbered months of the year – excluding June & August – hence the 2-month separation of issue dates and also that each Volume of the BAD ORDER starts at the beginning of the "modelling season" in the fall of each year. This now regularly published division newsletter had sparked some discussion regarding the name of the publication and a vote was called for approval of this at the April meeting. The editorial addressed this topic and the name "BAD ORDER" was approved by vote of the members. A new Assoc. Editor was also added (Ron Miller – a new Division member who volunteered his time!) resulting in a staff now numbering three.

In addition to the now-regular features and columns contained in the publication, a few new topics were added: "ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS" (NMRA Certificates earned); "NICE GUY AWARD" (a special thank you); "NEW BOARD OF DIRECTORS" (April Business Meeting results); and "SWAP LISTINGS" changed from 'Classifieds').

The November issue – VOL. 2 NO. 3 features a NEW LOOK to the cover – a PHOTO(!) - showing a Milwaukee Road passenger train crossing a rather spindly trestle in Idaho, taken by Clayton Loomer (Scotts Grandfather) who was a Civil Engineer on the railroad. Photos were now to be a common feature of "BAD ORDER" covers and a plea was made for members to submit their favorites.

This issue also marks an early milestone – expansion to 7 (YES, SEVEN!) pages.

The additional space allowed for a number of new features: Advertisements – both commercial and a Private Pike Registry called "Layout Promotional Ads" – a total of 12 were presented in this issue. A "Member Profile" column was introduced and a report of the 1970 NMRA National Convention held in St Louis was included.

The Superintendents column, sub-headed "The Hot Rail" outline the growth of members in Madison and the surrounding

area from 1961 through 1970. Totals increased from 31 to 101 with significant increases in 1966 (the year I joined the Division) and 1970. The article also pointed out that membership in Milwaukee during the same time period went from 105 to 115. We did well, likely as a direct result of exposure and promotion of the hobby via the Open Houses held by the S.C.W.D in Madison.

The December Issue – VOL. 2 NO. 4 also featured photos on the cover of two D&RGW narrow gauge Mikado's taken a few years earlier by Ken Soroos. The content of this issue filled out a bit more and a bit of improvement was made to the graphics heading the columns. Reports on the 4th Annual Tri-Divisional meet, MWR Fall Meet, a continuation of the history of Bob Steele's Yahara Valley Railroad from the previous issue, and notes taken by Tom Eckstein on a clinic titled 'An Inexpensive Scenery Method for Layouts' expanded this issue to 8 pages.

The February, 1971 Issue – VOL. 2 NO. 5 Continued in the now-established pattern. The cover photo featured a C&NW steam powered passenger train taken in the Chicago area in the 1940's. The feature article was written by a new Division member - Carl Ramsey - who was stationed in Ethiopia while in the US Army. Associate Editor Ron Miller also wrote a profile about Carl as a supplement to the article. Another feature was photo coverage of a freight train wreck which occurred south of Madison in Jan, 1971 near Oregon, WI.

The April 1971 Issue – VOL 2. No. 6 featured a cover photo of a C&NW Gas-Electric passenger unit in Monona Yards on Madison' east side taken in about 1950 by Don Herling. The feature article was a report on the very successful Annual Open House recently held at the Dane County Fairgrounds Youth Building with over 5000 adults and children in attendance! Another feature of this issue was a two-page "BAD ORDER VACATION GUIDE" giving the location of Steam Powered Passenger Trains operating in the United States noted on a US map on the front and a listing of 49 steam trains running that year and keyed to the map by number on the back of the page. The list was compiled by Scott Loomer from information contained in the 1970 Steam Passenger Service Directory and added to this issue as a handy insert.

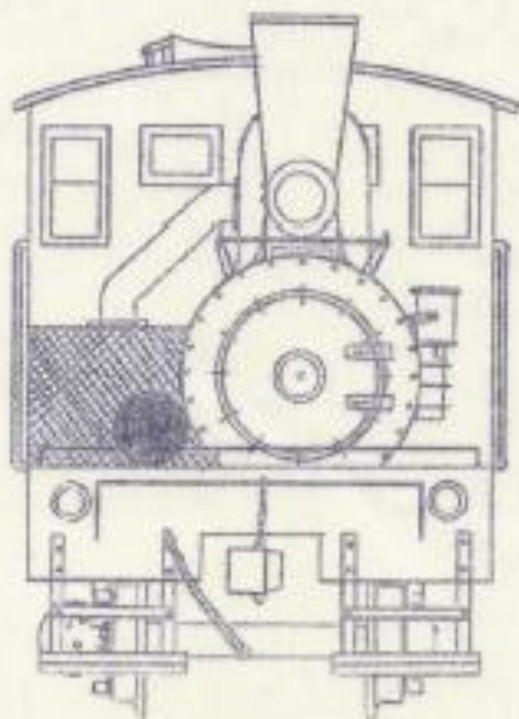
So there you have a summary of the initial founding of the BAD ORDER in 1968 and its first full year of service to members of the South Central Wisconsin Division, MWR, NMRA during the 1970-71 model railroading season.

With fond memories,
Pete Olson (one of the original Editors)

The following are copies of some the original Bad Order's.

S.C.W. DIV.

BAD ORDER



FIRST EDITION

JULY 1968

SOUTH CENTRAL WIS. DIV. N.M.R.A.

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WHAT IS IT?

It seems to be fairly generally agreed that a group as active as the S.C.W. Div. needs a newsletter to keep members informed of events. The purpose of the Red Order will be to announce upcoming events, records of past events, and to provide classified listings. We will accept any articles submitted, providing that they are fairly short (1-1½) and deal with either model railroad or prototype railroading. The editors reserve the right to reject any article that they feel is not suitable.

The Red Order is not an expensive proposition. Since it will incorporate in it the present flyer the mailing charge will be the same as it now is. Up to 12 pages (allowing for stamp, staple and addressing label) can be sent for 6¢. The fee for masters and paper will come to about 6¢ per copy. We hope to offset all of this cost through selling classified ads. These ads will be very effective to railroaders who desire to buy or sell equipment as it will reach most area model railroaders. At present, plans are to for printing by spirit duplicator. This issue is an example of the process. We do not have a machine and are relying on members to provide access to one. (We can supply a

person capable of running most machines) If you have access to a machine please call Scott Loomer at 233-0488. It is possible that in the future that we will use mimeographing. It is messier, but produces a more professional job. There is a lead that we are investigating that would allow us to get a used machine inexpensively.

We sincerely hope that the letter is a success. We would appreciate your comments and suggestions. All correspondence should be addressed to Scott Loomer, 315 Palomino Ln., Madison, Wis. 53705.

P.S. We apologize for the fact that this issue is so self-centered. We did not have time to solicit additional articles. We hope that this will be corrected in the next issue. The deadline is Sept. 1.

CALENDER

- August 4 - S.C.W. Div. Picnic
- October 10 - Midwest Region Convention, Chicago
- November 3 - Tri-Divisional Meet, Madison

Everyone should plan to attend the Tri-Div. Meet. \$2.00 is all.

TRAINWATCHING IN LACROSSE

Many railfans in Wisconsin feel frustrated when it comes to trainwatching. Outside of Milwaukee, there are no major rail centers in the state; or so I thought. This spring I found myself in LaCrosse for the first time since I began serious model railroading. With nothing else to do for the day, I decided to visit the local yards.

There are three railroads serving LaCrosse. The Milwaukee Road, the Chicago Northwestern, and the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy all maintain yards in the city.

The C&NW's yard is a minimal facility; a few sidings and a new freight house. It is worth visiting though in that the yard is in the business section of town and is paved. The facility occupies a triangular area between three streets.

The Milwaukee Road's yard is located north of town. There are two good vantage points to view the action. The passenger station boasts many more runs than the Madison station. All Milwaukee Road freight trains enter through the passenger platforms. There is also a good deal of switching done in the this area. About 1/2 mile north-west of the station are the train servicing facilities. The yard sports a large roundhouse. (still being used, not filled with plywood.) On a remote, weedy track I found an old CM&St.P&P pile driver. It looked like an interesting scratch building possibility. On a nearby track I found two passenger cars being outshopped. Ordinary passenger cars? By no means, these had just been painted red

and were going out to enter caboose service. Traffic through this yard is heavy and during the two hours that I spent there 4 heavy freights went by. These freights were a joy to behold: first, they were mansize trains, and secondly they were using new power. (U25's instead of tired F3's).

The Burlington yards are the largest of the three. They cover several square miles. When I first arrived, my attention was caught by two gleaming, corrugated, silvery streamliners. It was quite a sight for a little old midwest country boy. Then (I had to lean on a standpipe to keep from fainting) out from behind the roundhouse came 1 --- 2 --- 3 --- 4 gleaming, sparkling Burlington E9's. And as if that was not enough, it was pulling
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LOCAL TRAIN NEWS

The Milwaukee Road announced last week that it was discontinuing its daily Madison - Janesville - Chicago passenger train, the "Varsity". The outback was approved by the I.C.C. The Milwaukee Road agreed to continue to run the train on weekends and holidays as a service to college students. The Road had asked to be allowed to drop the train completely. The railroad will continue to run its "Sioux" daily Madison - Chicago train.

The Chicago Northwestern created a bit of excitement last week when one of its freight trains clipped two cars that were parked too close to the iron. The mishap occurred in Madison.

The local yards are worth visiting these days. The new Penn-Central merger cars are beginning to show up. It will be interesting note when the first Burlington Northern car arrives,

TRAINWATCHING (con't from 2)
 the southbound Burlington Zephyr.
 This particular consist was 12
 cars. Of the twelve cars, eight
 were vista-domes. This train is
 a composite of approximately $\frac{1}{4}$
 Burlington, $\frac{1}{3}$ Great Northern,
 and $\frac{1}{6}$ Northern Pacific equip-
 ment. It will be interesting to
 see this train in about a year,
 after the merger has had time to
 take effect. The Burlington
 Northern may emerge as the lead-
 ing passenger railroad in the
 United States.

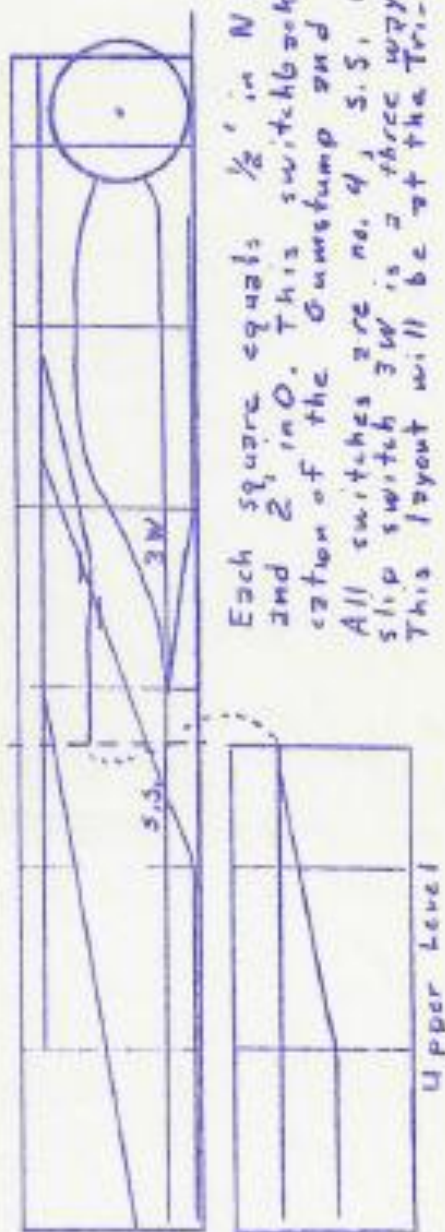
There is a lot to see in La-
 Crosse and along the Mississippi
 River and it is certainly worth
 a trip.

CLASSIFIEDS

- Want: Any 'N' scale equipment.
 Have HO to sell or trade.
 Robert Dunham 238-3486
- Want: PFK Heisler, NWSL Milv. S-2
 Brass 10-wheeler of any
 manufacture.
 Scott Loomer 233-0488
- Want: HO $\frac{3}{4}$ narrow gauge equip-
 ment.
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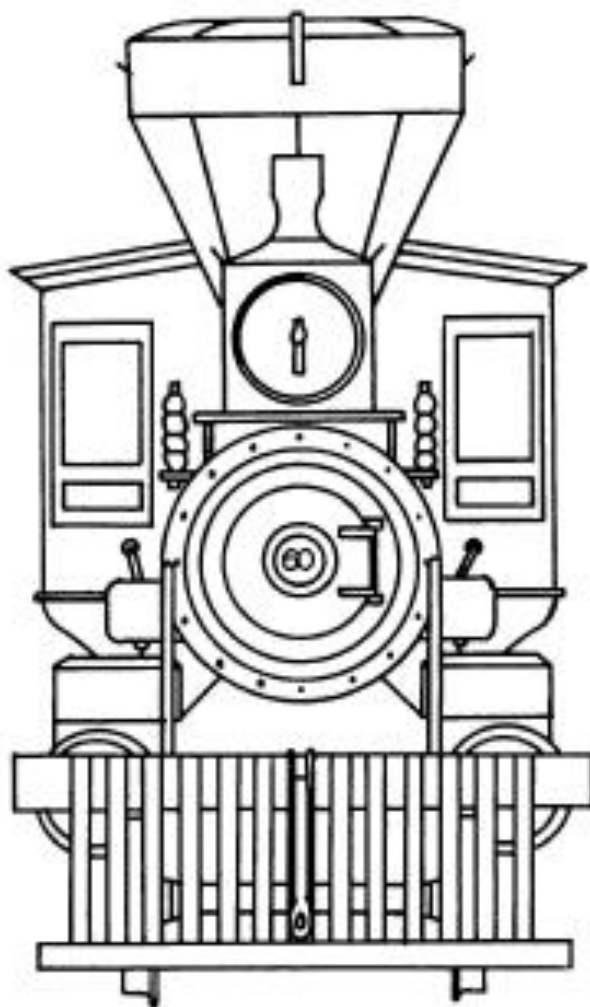
Want Ads are available at the
 rate of three cents a word, pay-
 able in advance. Name and phone
 are provided free. Closing date,
 first of month preceding month
 of meeting. (October deadline
 September 1)

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DUMPING THE AIR

Well, here we are again after a short absence of about 20 months. Many of you will remember the abortive first issue of the BAD ORDER in July, 1968. Thanks to the tremendous success of the Open House, funds are now available to print a newsletter. Present plans are to publish an issue approximately 10 days preceding each meeting. Deadlines for publication will be 2 weeks before each meeting, so the deadline for the May issue is May 17, 1970.

Each issue will incorporate a flyer of the next meeting, minutes of last meeting, minutes of B.O.D. meetings, contest results, calendar, achievement program, wisdom from the Super, editorial, new members, and swap listings. The swap section listings are free with a limit

of 25 words (not including address) per member per issue. We are also interested in feature articles on model or prototypical railroading. All articles and swap listings should be submitted to Scott Loomer. We could also use publication help, typists and artists.



THE SUPER CHIEF

THE HOT RAIL

On February first, the S.C.W.D. held its Third Annual Open House. It was attended by 2277 people not counting the small folk. I talked with many of the people that came and they all had favorable comments. Of course, so felt it was a little crowded, but I believe the interesting displays and pikes far overcame this.

The Open House was also a financial success even at 25¢ a head. We have enough money in the treasury to increase our services to the members of our Division. This newsletter is the first benefit. We hope to include useful information about the Division and also possibly will be able to add other features from time to time.

Another benefit of the flush treasury will be the 1971 Open House which will be held in the Dane Co. Youth building. This building will give us twice the area of the Dining Hall. Start think-

ing right now about displays, pikes, demonstrations or other things you might want to build or get ready for the 1971 Open House. It is for the public, but all members are invited to help one way or another to promote and produce the Open House. The recent O.H. was a great success due to the tremendous help of the S.C.W.D. members.

I intend to be at the April 5 meeting and I would appreciate it if all new members or guests seek me out and introduce themselves. I will be glad to answer any questions and help on any problems presented.

See you there!

Dave Donkle
S.C.W.D. Super



B. O. D. meeting

PRESENT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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DIVISION VOLUNTEERS

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Bob Dunham - Convention Chairman

A motion was made and passed to produce a Division publication to be mailed to the membership in place of the meeting announcement flyer. It was de-

ecided to produce a sample copy prior to the April meet. If the costs are reasonable and the flyer is well received by the members, publication will continue.

Programs for future meetings were discussed. Dave Donkle informed the Board that the Dining Hall would not be available for the planned October meet. It appears that this meet will have to be cancelled. A new contract was signed with the fairgrounds and covers through the June, 1971 meet.

Budget for the year was discussed. The Contest Chairman will look into the costs of small trophies to be awarded at future contests. The Program Chairman requested money for rental and/or purchase of railroad films to be shown at meets. The budget was tabled until the next meeting because of absence of some Board members and upcoming elections.

Open House Revisted

The 3rd Annual Open House, held by the S.C.W.D. on February 1, 1970 was a success. The preceding should qualify as the understatement of the year. When the doors closed at 5 P.M., 2272 people had viewed the exhibits. Among the many responsible for a fine show were;

Mr. & Mrs. Fred Terbilcox, Don Herling, Fred Kitchen, Bill Ehlert, Jim Wallin, Ron Miller, Mr. & Mrs. Don Carter, Scott Loomer, Pete Olson, Jay Young, Dave & Steven Donkle, Paul Jenkinson, Dale Carlstrom, Dave Rawlings, Ron Jones, Tom Ekstein, Greg Johnson, Harold Carlson, Lee Eklund, Mallie Fleck, Mike Carlson, Bob & Jim Dunham, Mr. & Mrs. Bob Steele, Bob

Witt, Vern Admundson, the Huggs Bros. Circus, and an unknown railroader from LaCrosse who came and just happened to have a layout in the trunk of his car. Thanks to those above and all the other members who helped to make the Open House such a smashing success.

CONTEST

UPCOMING CONTESTS

April - Special contest, Model Hobbies' company house

May - Passenger cars

RESULTS OF DECEMBER CONTEST - Structures other than railroad

1st Advanced - Bill Ehlert

1st Novice - Harold Carlson

2nd Novice - Rad Becker

CALENDAR

April 5 - S.C.W.D. regular meet, Dining Hall, see page 4

April 19 - N.S.& W. Div. Meet, Chicago

April 26 - W.I.S.E. Div. Meet, Mequon

May 31 - S.C.W.D. meet, Dining Hall
Tape/slide clinic - structures
Clinic-- basic electrical
part II, Bob Steele
Film - Transcontinental 1969,
Scott Loomer
Talk - Madison Traction,
Oliver Winn

Contest - Passenger cars

June 5-7 - M.W. Region Best of 25 Spring convention, Chicago

Aug. 20-23 - N.M.R.A. National convention, St. Louis

May 21, 1971 - M.W.R. conv., Milwaukee

new members

The following people joined the N.M.R.A. at the Open House:

1. James M. McDermott
5031 Eagle Heights apts.
Madison, Wis. 53705
2. Andrew J. McFarlane
483 Blackbird Lane
Madison, Wis. 53705
3. Jim Hill (No, not the Jim Hill)
717 Rogers St.
Madison, Wis. 53703
4. Robert Emerich
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Madison, Wis. 53705
5. Curt Huber
2914 Grand View Blvd.
Madison, Wis. 53713
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Barneveld, Wis. 53505
8. Gaylord W. Trumbel
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Lone Rock, Wis.
9. Evan E Williams
Rt. 1, Box 196
Fennimore, Wis. 53809
10. Kenneth A. Emerich
2137 Commonwealth Ave.
Madison, Wis. 53705
11. Mary Carlson (Mike's wife)
921 S. Brooks St.
Madison, Wis. 53715

Welcome Aboard!

**NOTE: June 7 meet
rescheduled on May 31**

**SOUTH CENTRAL
WISCONSIN DIVISION**



**APRIL 5, 1970 MEETING
DANE COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS
DINING HALL**



1:00 PM TO 5:30 PM



Program

CONTEST - Special Kit - HO Company House

TAPE-SLIDE CLINIC - Scenery and Layout

Photography by JOHN ALLEN!

ELECTION OF OFFICERS - Only NMRA members
are eligible to vote.

LIVE CLINIC - Basic Electricity by BOB STEELE

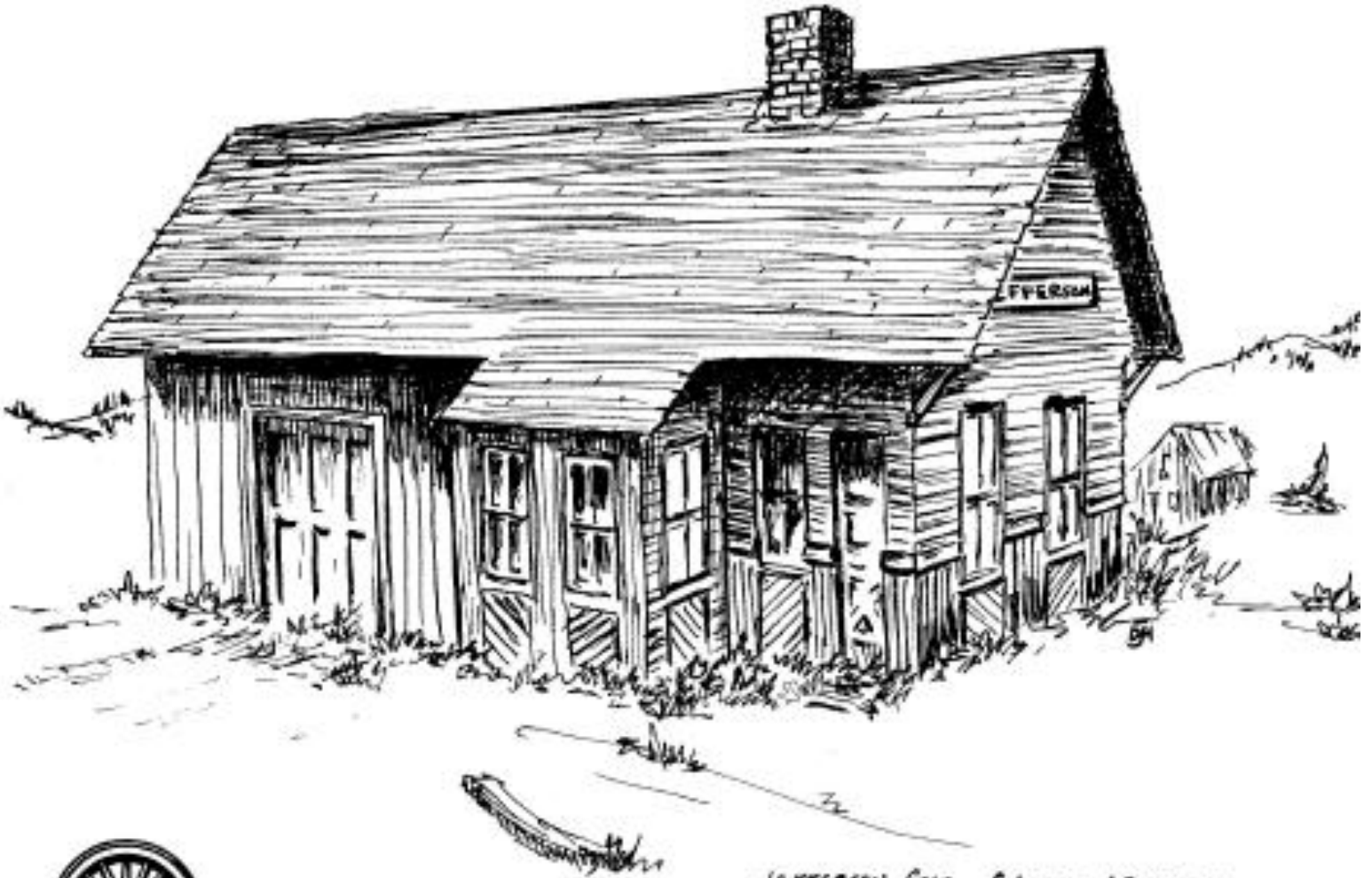
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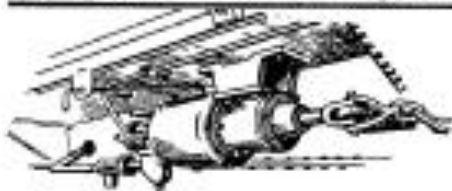
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COVER: This month's outstanding cover is the work of Don Herling, Div. Asst. Supt.



DUMPING THE AIR

This issue of the BAD ORDER marks a milestone for the S.C.W.D. It is the first time that the division has put out two consecutive newsletters. The future is bright indeed though as the Board of Directors has approved the budget of the publication through April of 1971. Now that the BAD ORDER is a reality, it is time to take care of some other business. It has been suggested that perhaps a better name can be found for the newsletter. Accordingly, there will be a vote at the May meeting to determine the name. Nominations will be accepted from the floor so be thinking about a possible title. Five names already submitted (beside the existing name, BAD ORDER) are the Rip Track, Order Board, Hot Rail, Smash Board, and the Hot Box. The editor is of course biased as he remembers a Saturday night in the summer of 1968 that found him and

three or four other divisional members out at the Chicago & Northwestern yard discussing a possible division publication. The name that was chosen that night was the BAD ORDER. As Bill Holmen recently pointed out to me, it has served admirably for two years (and two issues).

This month you will notice many more drawings to liven up the issue. We would appreciate it if members would be on the lookout for drawings of this type and save them for us. Also, any member who is feeling magnanimous or who has a photograph that he would like to share with the membership and is willing to donate \$3.40 would be most welcome. For that price we can reproduce a 5"x7" photograph (or collection of photographs measuring 5"x7") for our cover. It would be a great way to show off your talents as a photographer.



THE SUPER CHIEF



THE HOT RAIL

Vote! Vote! Vote!

When you are a member of the N.M.R.A. one of the privileges offered you is the opportunity to vote for National and Regional officers.

Ballots have been sent to all N.M.R.A. members in the latest N.M.R.A. Bulletin and M.W.R. Waybill. Please complete these at once and send them in before June 1. We would like to have all S.C.W.D. - N.M.R.A. members vote.

Now is the time to do it!

All non-members should consider joining the N.M.R.A. in order to be able to vote next year.

Don't miss the Silver Anniversary Spring Convention at Chicago on June 5,6,&7.

Dave Donkle
S.C.W.D. Superintendent

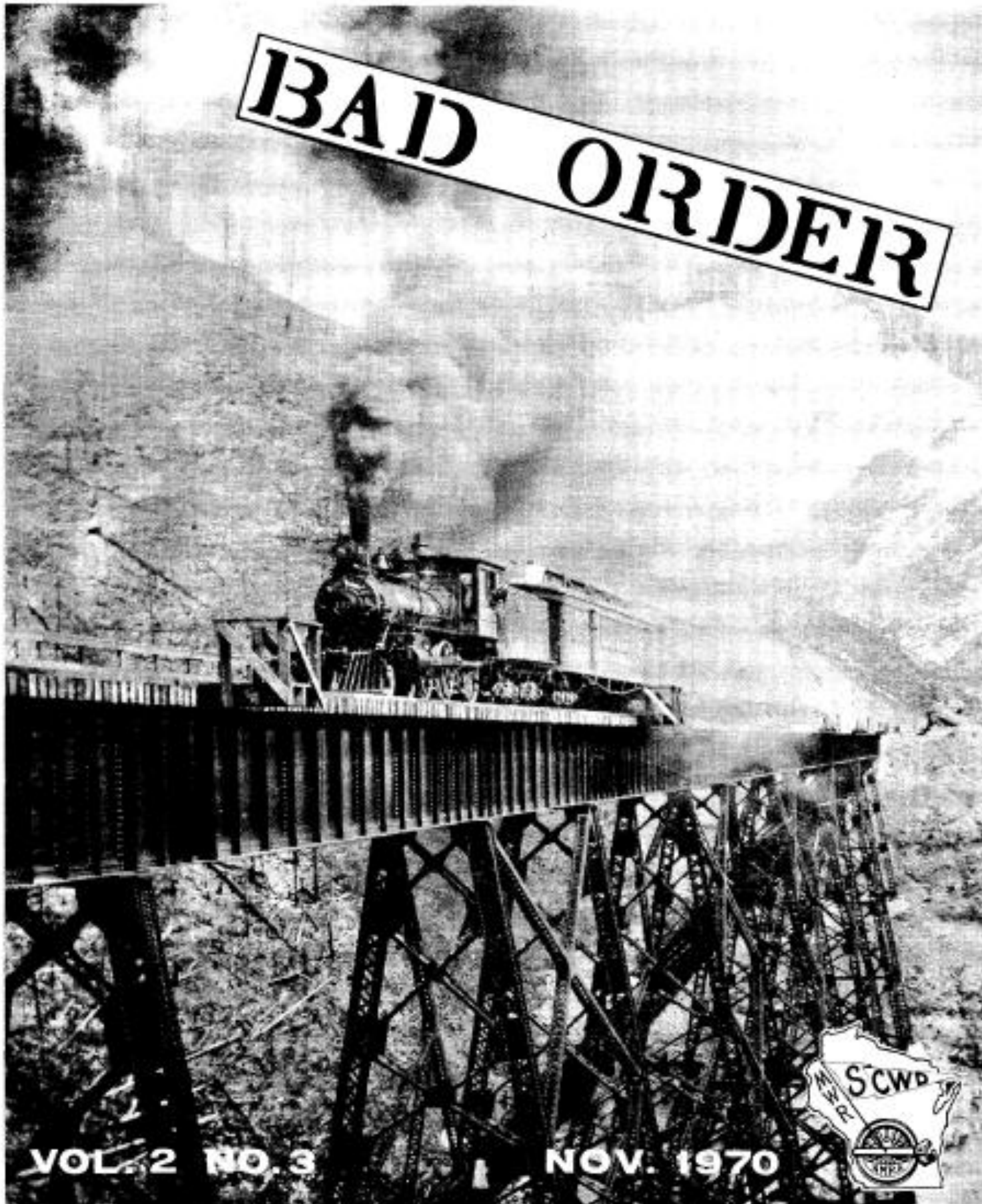


April Meeting



The turnout at the April meeting was very good. We had over 50 people present with about 35 paying members. The other fifteen or so were first-timers. Many of the new faces were people that joined the N.M.R.A. at the February Open House. We hope that these members liked our meeting and will attend regularly.

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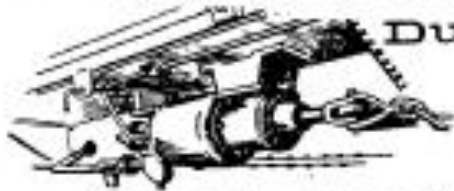
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COVER: C.M. & St.P. passenger train in the Bitterroot Mountains of Idaho circa 1915. This trestle is the same one pictured in the centerfold of the Jan., 1969 Trains. Picture by Clayton J. Loomer.



Dumping The Air

As you have noticed the Bad Order has a new look this month. The front cover and interior photos were made possible by the sale of layout promotion and commercial advertisements which also appear for the first time with this issue. This is a good example of the fact that the Bad Order can only be improved with the help and cooperation of the reading membership. The editors are considering a number of changes for the coming issues. Among these is a proposed "Kinks" column which will be composed totally of ideas submitted by the readers in the division. Take a moment to jot down that pet trick or technique that you have developed so that others might profit from your exper-

ience. It would help if this brief description was accompanied by a rough sketch.

In addition, it is hoped that a column entitled "Questions and Answers" can be initiated. The Bad Order will function as a coordinator to receive the questions, find someone qualified to answer them, and then publish the answers. This will be a readers' service which can only be successful if the readers will respond. Send in the question that has been bugging you and let us find an "expert" to answer!

Another new feature is represented by the Member Profile of Bob Steele which appears in this issue. We will be publishing interesting and informative profiles of active Division members on a semi-regular basis.

Numerous other ideas are being considered, some of which will be discussed in future editorials. However, it would be very helpful if we knew what you would like to see included, or excluded, from this publication. This can be conveyed orally (at the SCWD meetings), or in a letter addressed to any of the editors.



The Super Chief



THE HOT RAIL

The 1970 N.M.R.A. yearbook is out. All N.M.R.A. members should have received their copy by now. It is real interesting and gratifying to see the increase in our Division area over the years. An approximate listing follows:

YEAR	MADISON AREA	RURAL AREA	TOTAL
1961	20	11	31
1962	23	7	30
1964	16	15	31
1965	38	11	49
1966	48	9	57
1967	37	7	44
1968	44	7	51
1969	55	8	63
1970	77	24	101

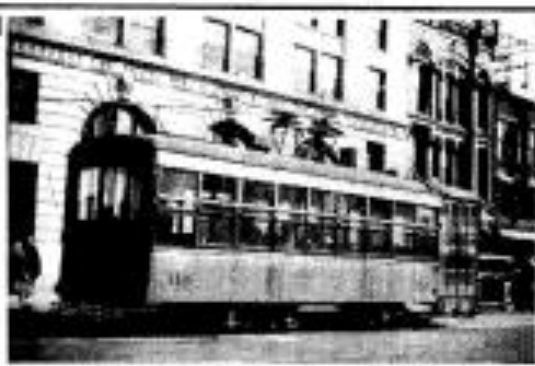
From the time our Division was organized there has been a steady increase.

In the same period the membership in Milwaukee proper has gone from about 105 to 115.

While going over the lists I note that a few members have dropped out. I feel our N.M.R.A. is a very valuable possession. First we get the yearbook and I

NOV. 8 MEET

DINING HALL
DANE COUNTY
FAIRGROUNDS
Right: Madison
trolley car.
Photo by Oliver
Winn.



Features:

- Talk - Madison Traction by Oliver Winn
- Tape slide clinic - Building Realistic Scenery by Turner
- Film - Steam Kings of the Rails
- Contest - Photographs (see p.4)
- Auction

Layout Promotional Ads

These ads are available to members of the SCWD at the rate of 35¢ for one month, or four months for \$1.00. (If we do artwork, 50¢ first time only)

HURRY! THE LAYOUT PROMOTIONAL ADS ARE LIMITED TO 35 ADS AND THEY ARE GOING FAST.

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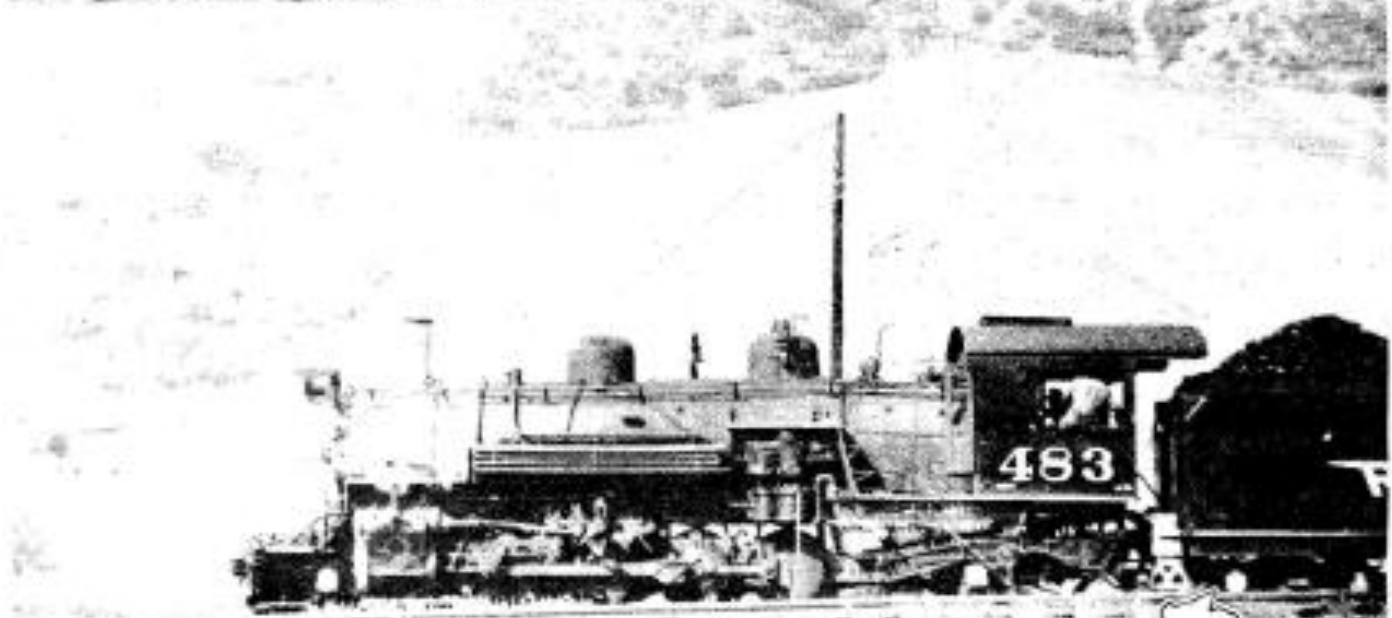
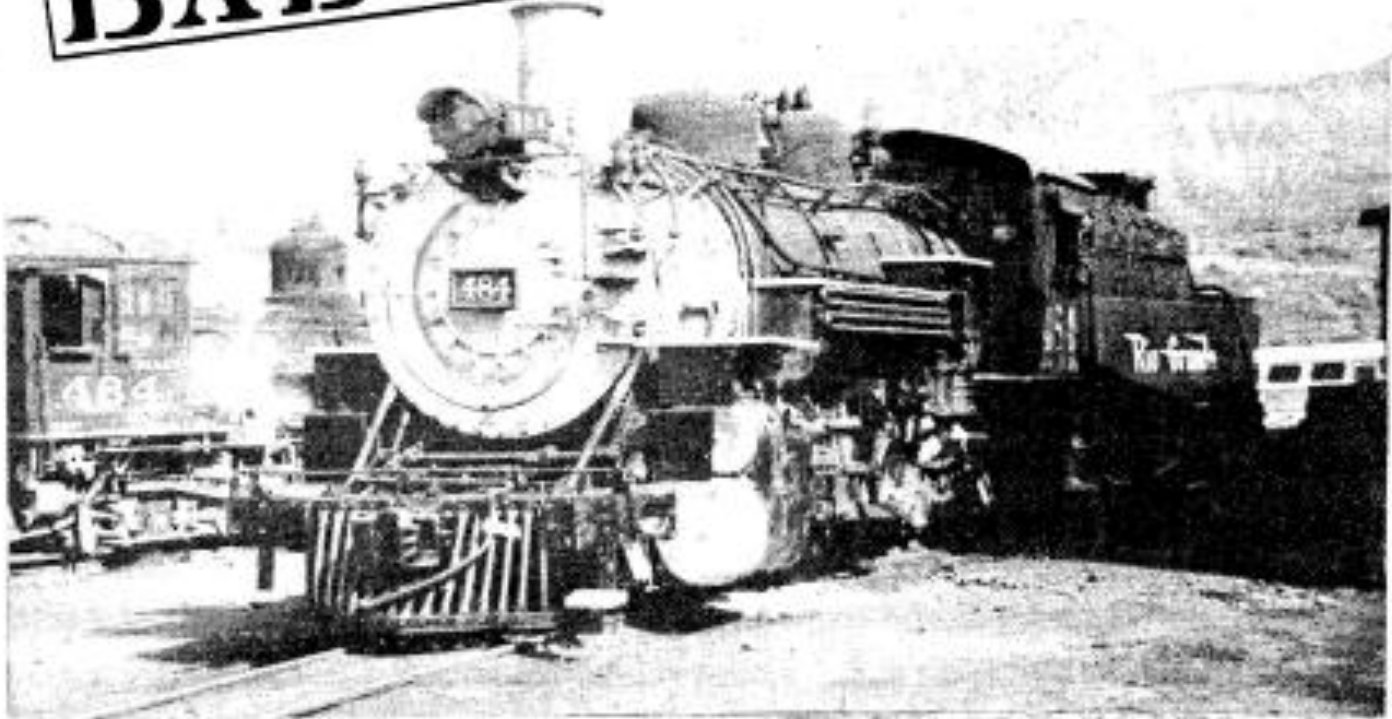


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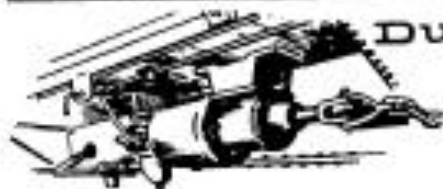
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Dumping The Air

Well, how do you like the looks of the last issue of the Bad Order? We have received numerous favorable comments and in order to continue to put out a good product we need your help. Have you got a black and white photo that you feel would make an exciting cover shot? If so the editors and the rest of the division would appreciate your sharing it with us. Rest assured it will be returned in the condition received. Be sure to enclose a short statement describing the scene. For cover shots we prefer working with the negative or a good 8 x 10 glossy print. We will have a half-tone made from the positive print and your photo will be spread all over Wisconsin - - of course, credited to you.

For the second portion of this month's editorial we turn this column over to the S.C.W.D.'s Membership Chairman, Scott Loomer.

This may come as a shock to our more serious modellers, but model railroading is a reasonable hobby for many people. In the summer, pleasant weather and vacations cause many to abandon the basement for the outdoors. With the annual return of crummy weather, interest in the rails returns. So, the season to be jolly is also the season to add new N.M.R.A. members. While there are now over 16,000 members in the organization, this represents only a small portion of those in the hobby. I'm sure all of us know model railroaders who are not N.M.R.A. members. The next time you see one of these acquaintances, stop and take a moment to tell him (or her) about the Association. Be sure to tell him about all the fine publications he will receive as a member. Point out how the Bulletin has grown to a monthly 50 page publication with many interesting articles and plans. Describe to him how useful the data and standard sheets are. Explain the value of the scale convertor. Mention the Midwest Region's fine publication, the Waybill. And, last but not least, tell him that he will receive the Bad Order for free.

A membership in the N.M.R.A. is a fine Christmas present. Give one to a friend or encourage him to treat himself. With a larger membership in the Madison area, we will have more people to draw on and this will permit us to put on better meetings.



The Super Chief



THE HOT RAIL

Plans for our big 1971 Open House are coming along fine. As you may know, we will be using the LARGE Youth building. This building gives us three times the area that we had last year. We will need at least twice as many exhibits or displays. Start planning and working on your exhibit now.

We would like all members to participate either with an exhibit or as a worker. We will need help on selling tickets, running movies and other jobs.

This year we will also have advance sale tickets and each member will be given a chance to sell some. We will also have

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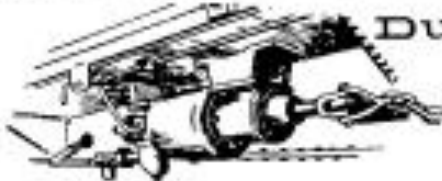
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COVER: Chicago & Northwestern passenger power pulling varnish in Chicago in the the mid 40's. Photo by Harold Ames, submitted by Charles Ames.



Dumping The Air

The Open House draws ever closer. We need your help to make this the most successful (economically and public relations-wise) in the history of the division.

We need volunteers of two types. First, and most importantly, we need people with something to exhibit. We need everything from models, to dioramas, to full blown portable layouts (in all scales). In the past, most of the exhibits have come from the immediate Madison area. There is some excellent modeling being done in the rest of the division but unless you take pride in your work and volunteer to display it, nobody can pay you a compliment.

There is an extra incentive to work in that Kalmbach Publications has donated a copy of their new book on articulated loco-

motives which will be given away on a drawing basis to one of the volunteer workers. Be among those with a chance - - volunteer to contribute to the success of the Open House. The operation of the division for 1971 depends upon the financial success of this event.

The second type of volunteer is of the general purpose "armstrong" variety. We need people who will arrive early and help get the show physically set up. Relief workers will also be needed to sell and punch tickets at the main entrance.

If you would like to meet some great guys, have some good fun, and get a chance at the door prize, then get in touch with Don Herling, Open House General Chairman, 233-4040.

Kalmbach books will again be sold by the Division at the Open House. Division members will be given a 10% discount on these items if purchased outside of Open House hours. If you want to be sure of getting particular items (anything Kalmbach sells) get an order to Bob Dunham by Feb. 21. His phone number is 238-3486. See you in March!



The Super Chief



THE HOT RAIL

1971 is here. Our 4th Annual Open House will be on March 7, 1971. Be prepared, get your display ready now or help others if you can. We hope all Division members participate in one way or another.

We have another big event coming up in August. The National Convention will be in London. Now is the time to sign up. See details in the Waybill or the NMRA Bulletin. It sounds like a real good chance to see England and Europe if you can. Also you can have some great times with other NMRA members and see much in British railroading and model railroading.

All members from our division that go to England will be given a chance to describe their trip at one of our future Division meetings.

Dave Donkle,
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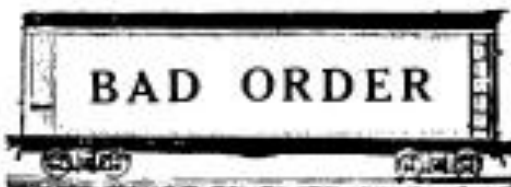
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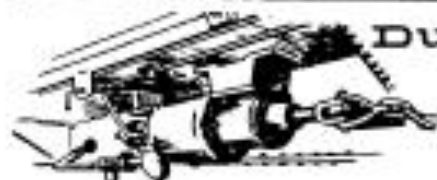
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COVER: Chicago & North Western gas-electric at the Monona Yards in Madison about 1950. Photo by Don Herling.



Dumping The Air

This issue of the Bad Order is the last of this budget year. The success of the recent Open House assures the publication of volume 3 of the BO. The editors hope that an increased budget for the newsletter will permit more pictures to be printed as in this issue. We also hope to be able to continue printing feature articles and handy supplements such as the vacation guide found in this issue. Part two of this summer vacation guide will be printed in the next issue (June) and will feature railfan attractions in the Wisconsin, Illinois and Upper Michigan area. We suggest that you save this insert if you plan to take a trip this summer.

The Open House also brought us a group of new NMRA members. Nine people and one family member joined. This will be the first Bad Order that the new members

will be receiving and the Board of Directors as well as the membership of the Division take this opportunity to welcome to the Association

tion take this opportunity to welcome them to the Association. Our next meet is April 4th and there is no fare the first time.

A number of readers will notice a red check by their name on the address label this means that your subscription has expired. There are two ways to receive the Bad Order by mail, join the NMRA or send \$1.50 to Dave Rawlings (address above). Since NMRA membership is only \$5.00, this means that it costs a mere \$3.50 additional to enjoy all of the benefits of NMRA membership. Each of the red-lined members will find a membership blank enclosed and are urged to take advantage of it. Unless you do one of the two things mentioned, this will be your last Bad Order.



The Super Chief

THE HOT RAIL



Our 4th Annual Open House is now past history. Wow, what a history! 1st, nearly 500; 2nd, nearly 1000; 3rd, over 2200; and now over 4700! Where next?

Where next is the problem. Your Board of Directors is now planning the 5th Annual Open House. We must start now, and we need your help. About 50 members helped in our recent, most successful Open House. We will need help from those 50 plus more for next year. Now is the time to plan and build or get ready.

The Board would appreciate receiving all help possible and we need your ideas or suggestions now while our recent Open House is fresh in your minds. What was good? - what was bad? Write it down now and give it to or talk it over with a Board member. We want to make the 5th even better. Several fresh ideas have already been worked over.

Speaking of the Board, election time is here. Our elections are held at the April 4th meeting. All NMRA members are entitled to vote. Be sure and be there and vote for the members you feel best qualified.

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With the last issue of the Bad Order, volume 2 was completed. In the short lifetime of this publication a considerable number of changes have been made. The comments to date have been very favorable so the editors are encouraged to continue to make improvements both in content and style.

The editors will be meeting during the summer to map out plans for next year's issues, and as a result, now is a good time to make your input. Did you at any time while reading an issue come up with an idea which you felt was worthy of publication? If so, get in touch with one of us, and you can be assured that it will receive our attention. We are not asking for articles to be contributed (although we would certainly

ly welcome them). Rather we are only searching for ideas - in most cases we will do the writing ourselves. We urge you to make a contribution to the SCWD; pick up the phone or drop us a card. Do it now before the idea is forgotten!

The editors would also like to take this opportunity to thank the BOD for the support which has been extended this year. It goes without saying that without this support we would not have been able to upgrade the publication as we have. The readers should keep in mind the fact that the changes which you will see next year could never have been accomplished without your encouragement and support.

Next time that you talk to a board member at a meeting you might express your feelings to him. It is certainly true that the BOD decisions are tempered by the comments (favorable or otherwise) which emanate from the SCWD membership.

The editors of the Bad Order wish you a pleasant summer, and look forward to the remaining issues of volume 3 which will go to press next fall.

R.E.M.



The Super Chief



THE HOT RAIL

If you read last month's issue of the Bad Order, and I hope you did, you saw part 1 of the Bad Order Vacation Guide. Use it. Also use part 2 covering Wisconsin which appears in this issue.

Being able to ride a steam passenger train or a trolley car is something that may be gone completely in a few years. The available steam locos will not last forever and new ones will not be made.

Look at the Guide. Pick one or several railroads to visit. You will note that the cost is minor. It really breaks up the drive (unless you travel by rail) and gives you a chance to see REAL railroading, and maybe get some good pictures.

There are several fine railroads in the Wisconsin area. If you go east I suggest the East Broad Top and Strasburg Railroads, both in Pennsylvania and both near the Penn Turnpike.

Lastly, the deadline for voting in the Midwest Region election draws near, so if you haven't voted, do so at once, and vote

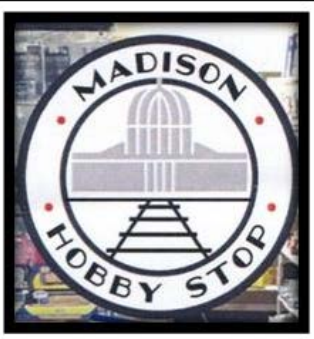
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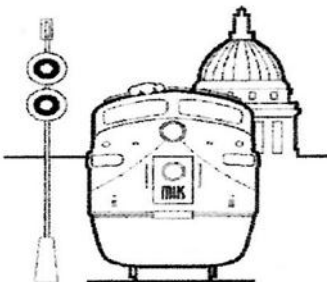
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Regular Meeting	BOD	Youth Group	Train Show
Sept 9, 2018	Sept 10, 2018	Sept 16, 2018	Sept 5, 2018
Oct 7, 2018	Oct 8, 2018	Oct 21, 2018	Oct 3, 2018
Nov 4, 2018	Nov 12, 2018	Nov 18, 2018	Nov 7, 2018
Dec 2, 2018	Dec 10, 2018	Dec 16, 2018	Dec 5, 2018