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RAILFAX

President Nixon signed into law the Rail Passenger Service Act on October 31, with the NRPSC to come into existence on May 1, 1971. On December 1, Secretary of Transportation John Volpe released the cities to tentatively be served, with Chicago as the hub of the new system. The NRPSC will retain only about 50% of existing service, and some trains may not go over their current routes.

Among others, GLR member Tim Vermande wrote a letter to the South Bend Tribune defending the need of passenger service. The letter was printed on November 16. Members who have written are urged to contact the new editor (page 2) about any similar letters.

Locomotive Rosters

Two major rosters have appeared in railfan publications since the last Wayfreight. The August/September issue of Extra 2200 South (see last Wayfreight for subscription information) carries the full production roster of Fairbanks-Morse (FM) diesels, and renumberings and known dispositions.

The October 1970 Bulletin #123 of the Railway and Locomotive Historical Society carries a list of rod locomotives, rotary snowplows, and diesels built by the Lima Locomotive Works (later Lima-Hamilton), but not showing renumberings, resales, dispositions, and the like. Both are excellent reference sources.

Editor Don Dover of Extra 2200 South, promises diesel rosters of the D&RGW, UP, GN, Milwaukee Road, B&O/C&C, CN, and CB&Q.

MORE FROM DICK JENSEN

"Tell all your friends that you told that the Jensen locos were scrapped that they are still intact and in no danger of scrap". That is the happy news from the Jensen camp. But better news is coming. Dick has contracted with PC for a steam excursion in March '71 from Chicago to Logansport, IN, via the passenger branch from Chicago to Lansing, IL; and joint passenger/freight trackage from Lansing to Logansport, to be hauled by GTW # 5629, stored at Detroit since 1968.

Also, Michigan State University will activate ex-Pere Marquette 2-8-4 #1225 for excursion service (unofficial sources say there will be a long wait). Ex-T&P 2-10-4 #610 will be active by spring. Ex-Reading 4-8-4 #210a, in the GLR in 1968, will run in March in W. Virginia, and ex-GTW 2-8-2 #4070 will run in Pennsylvania.

THE FUTURE OF THE GLR... it's up to you! see bottom of page 2.

13-18 year old vote! it's true! page 2.

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CRISIS IN THE GREAT LAKES/THE FATE OF THE WAYFREIGHT

Forty-five regular members and four associate members comprise the Great Lakes Region, according to the 1970 TAMR Directory. This total is substantially higher than the Allegheny Region, the second-ranking region. Being the largest region in the organization, it might be thought that the GLR would be the most active and prominent.

Unfortunately, this is not true. Twenty of these forty-nine members subscribe to the Wayfreight and are active in the financial sense only in contribution to the organization. The GLR has raised fine officers, Richard Wagie, Doug Kocher, Gary Tempco, and others, many who cannot actively contribute to the regional effort.

The GLR has perhaps the greatest potential of all the regions of the TAMR. Twenty-one of the forty-nine members are 13 or 14 years old, according to the Directory. It is the responsibility of the 15 year and older members to show by word AND EXAMPLE that the GLR and the TAMR are for them. And it is the responsibility of those 13 and 14 year olds to actively support their region by contributing to the regional publication and to actively and enthusiastically contribute their votes in the national and regional elections.

The future of the GLR now rests with all the members. Each of you twenty who subscribed and paid your "dues" to Wayfreight are forced to vote for continuation or abolition of the regional effort. A failure to answer the ballot constitutes a vote to abolition of the region as an effective force in the TAMR. Even if you feel that it is hopeless to continue, we want to hear from you.

The following form is provided for your convenience. Enclosed is an envelope addressed to Tim Vermande, the new editor. If you are short of money, I will send you a 6¢ stamp, just ask for it on the back side, with any comments you may have. That way it will cost you nothing to reply. You have nothing to lose but your region, so send your ballot in by the end of December.

Date: December ____, 1970

To:
Tim Vermande
Editor, GLR Wayfreight
51528 Pond St.
South Bend, IN 46637

Dear Tim,

I favor continuation of the region, and vote for the following for president: (circle choice)

Mike Matejka

Tom Schiltgen

I feel that the region and Wayfreight should be allowed to expire at the end of the current regional year, February 28, 1971.

Signed,

WHAT'S WHAT IN RAILROAD LITERATURE
Part 2

Model Railroader: Published monthly by the Kalmbach Publishing Company, 1027 North 7th Street, Milwaukee, WI 53233. Cost is 60¢ per single copy, \$7 a year, \$13 for 2 years. Edited by Linn H. Wescott. Presents news of new model railroad products, inventions, prototype plans, track plans, modeling suggestions, and news of model railroad clubs and organizations.

Model Railway News: Published monthly by Model and Allied Publications, Ltd., 13-35 Bridge Street, Hemel Hempstead, Hertfordshire, Great Britain. Copies are 75¢, \$5 a year. Magazine is an English model railroading magazine, covering a number of similar areas as American magazines, with a limited amount of American and Canadian material, although not necessarily in each issue.

Railroad Model Craftsman: Published monthly by Model Craftsman Publishing Company, 31 Arch Street, Ramsey, NJ 07446. Single copy is 50¢, \$5 per year, \$9 for two years. Format similar to that of Model Railroader: products, plans, news, etc., with a little more for the experienced modeler in each issue.

Railroading: Published bi-monthly by Starrucca Valley Publications, P.O. Box 88, Starrucca, PA 18462. Edited by William S. Young. Annual subscription is \$7. Published on gloss paper, this format specializes on steam and shortline topics, especially recent developments and fantrips (GTW #4070 excursions in Pennsylvania, NKP-High Iron #759 trans-continental trip), and carries in-depth articles on steamtrips, locomotives, experiments, engine types, etc. Interesting but more specialized readings.

Railway & Locomotive Historical Society Bulletin: Published semi-annually by the R&LHS, Harvard Business School, Boston, MA 02163. Single copy, \$3, free to paying members. Most scholarly of railroad publications, it deals mostly with railroad history, especially corporations, folklore, operations, and occasionally a thorough engine roster for major roads (Since their inception in 1921, R&LHS has published rosters for C&NW, AT&SF, MKT, CP, SP, Lima Loco, and obscure loco builders of the early 1800's.)

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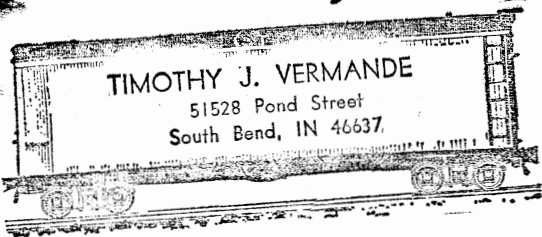
New Power for Midwest Roads

GTW SD40 #5921-5929	Delivered Aug.-Sept.
GTW SW1000? (# ???) (20-25)	Planned for 1971
E-I SDP45 #3654-3668	Delivered July-Aug.
IHB SW1500 #9223-9227	Delivered June-July
BN SD45 #6472-6491	Delivered July
BN F45 #6614-6625	Delivered July-August
N&W U30B #8515-8589	Planned 1971-1972

-Courtesy, Extra 2200 South

Remember to vote! Your G & will be returned to you. just ask on back of ballot.

The GLR Wayfreight



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