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TOWER TALK by Vic Prior

Well, it's over. The PSR Roam Cajon '86 Convention in Ontario is history. I want to thank everyone who gave us a hand in this convention. There were many of you and the organizing committee greatly appreciates it. With your help, I feel we pulled off a fine convention. Most people had a great time. That was our goal.

This is the first PSR convention to be held in the Cajon Division. The Rusty Nails, who sponsored the convention for the division also want to give a hearty thanks to all who helped them for without their enthusiasm, it would never have happened.

It appears that a small profit will be made even though the convention funds are quite low at present. The convention committee wanted to do some things differently and did so. The price of these different activities came off of the bottom line and resulted in reduced profits (Pacific Southwest Region income). Hopefully, by the next Board of Directors meeting, the convention committee will have all the bills in and the dust will have settled enough to be able to give a check to the region treasury.

Don't forget the Cajon Division Auction to be held December 6th at Glendale Federal Savings and Loan in Fullerton. All of us have something we don't want or need anymore in the layout room. The fact that it's still unused since last years auction should be proof enough. Well, dig that stuff out! Come on down and have some fun at the auction December 6th. It's fun even if you don't buy or sell! A nice door prize will be given to some lucky winner.

The Cajon Division needs people to serve in the offices of Superintendent and Chief Clerk/Paymaster. Those people interested in running should contact me. The election will be held in the January and February time frame. The winners will be take office at the Annual Banquet in February 1987.

If you'd like to help your division, this is your best opportunity ever. If you feel that it's not for you at the present, stop and think for a moment. Who do you know that would be good in one of these two offices? Call me with names and I'll do the rest! I won't mention your name without permission. We all need to be concerned about where our division is going from here. If you really are, do this. Call me with a list of names. I'll check all of them out. As much as I have enjoyed leading the division over the past four years, according to the Cajon Division by-laws, I cannot run again (nor can the Chief Clerk/Paymaster). Sit down! Make a list of the people you think would be good for the division. Call me! You will have helped the Cajon Division more than you may realize. Call (714) 529-4082 in the evenings after 5 PM or

(714) 521-7302 during the day. Help the division to move forward-- call today!

ACTIVITIES REPORT by Rick Colbert

Convention preparation delayed my activities report so that there was no July issue. I apologize for the delay. Since my last Order Board report, for all of you who still remember that there is a division and a division newsletter, we have had several activities. These were:

1986 Banquet at the Ontario Airport Hilton

On March 15th the annual banquet drew an attendance of 75 hardy railroaders. If you remember all of the publicity, we were entertained by a professional comic/fortune teller, who picked members of the audience and told what lay ahead for each them. Ralph Dubois, our Chief Clerk/Paymaster was pleased to learn that his stock in the Brea Valley Railroad, his home layout, was about to go up (unfortunately the year before it went up in flames when his home burned down).

Outdoor Swap Meet, April

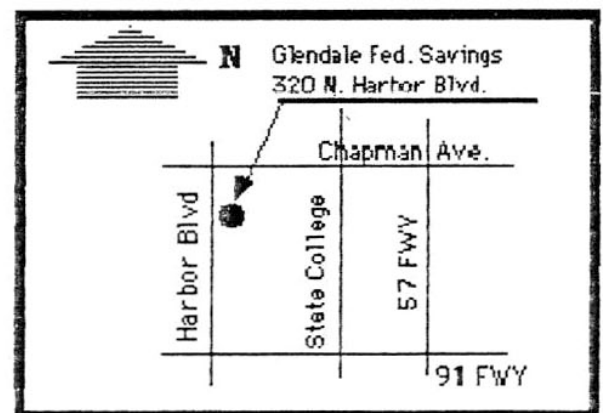
The parking lot of the Orange County Business College in Anaheim was the scene of the division's first outdoor swap meet extravaganza. Over 70 swap tables were set up and hundreds streamed in throughout the morning. One swapper, Plain Old Member Chairman Bob Chaparro, said it was one of the best swap meets he had ever

attended (maybe that was because he finally sold those old *Trains* magazines to some unwitting swapper. For additional enjoyment we had a modular layout display inside the building in one of the large classrooms.

Summer Meet, June 1986

June 29th was the date of our annual meet at Mariposa Elementary School in Brea. Special thanks go to Steve Ablonsczy (sp?) for his clinic on hand held throttles, to Todd Scott for his clinic on basic layout wiring and to Frank Cotta for his on printed circuit boards. For much visual excitement of the absolutely best kind, we had a slide presentation from John Hachey on the Union Pacific Railroad.

FUTURE EVENTS:



Auction

For those of you anxious to clear out that model railroad storage space to make room for more, we have the perfect way. Our annual Cajon Division Auction will be held in the Community Room of Glendale Federal Savings at 320 N. Harbor Blvd. in Fullerton on Saturday, December 6, 1986. Sellers

should arrive at 8:30 AM for auction item registration and buyers should arrive at 9:00 AM for viewing. The auction will begin between 9:30 and 10:00 (hopefully). Admission will be \$1.50 for PSR members and \$2.00 for non-members.

Annual Banquet

The date for 1987's Annual Banquet has been set for February 28th. The site has not been selected but will live up to past years high standards for a friendly atmosphere and dining excellence. At the Banquet, in addition to the usual fine entertainment program, will be a favorite model contest and installation of the new officers. Be there to say thanks to Vic and Ralph and say hello to your new officers.

CONTEST REPORT by John Hachey

Our next division contest will be a favorite model contest. The contest will be held at the upcoming Cajon Division Banquet in February 1987. This contest can be an easy one to get ready for. All you have to do is bring a railroad related model or display to the banquet, set it up on the display table and sit back. All banquet attendees will vote on their favorites. The winning entrant will receive his banquet dinner for free. Have you ever heard of an easier contest. Let's all bring at least one entry to share with our fellow modelers. It's all for fun and will contribute to a good time. More details will be provided in the next issue of the Order Board.

MEMORIAL FUND

The following information was submitted by John F. Determan, a member of the Arizona Division.

Our good friend Roy L. "Bud" Finch died on April 27, 1986 after a long illness. To Dottie and her family goes our heartfelt sympathy. All of us who knew Bud feel the loss of a friend who inspired, taught and led us into new ways of doing so many things. Bud's spirit will live on in us.

The Finch family requests that monetary expressions of sympathy be sent to the A. C. Kalmbach Memorial Library, the Bud Finch Fund, at 1421 Cromwell Road, Chattanooga, TN 37421.

Bud's memory will be well served by this testimonial to his love of the hobby and all the friends he made throughout the hobby and the NMRA.

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP (SIG) BY CHARLES R. R. BADEN

We've started a new SIG called Private Roadname Modelers with a bimonthly newsletter called *INTERCHANGE* starting in Jan/Feb 1986.

The objective of this group is to exchange private roadname cars, decals and information. It is assumed that most of the newsletters will deal with the exchange of fictitious roads' cars and decals (e.g. the V & O, the Quanta Railroad, etc.). This includes anything that's intentionally not modeled on a real-life prototype- meaning club's cars and convention cars count as private roadname cars. Simply misnumbered prototype cars do not.

Because it's a simple enough inclusion, Interchange will also indicate private roadname pass-swappers. This SIG also encourages NMRA members to participate in the Pike Registry Program.

INTERCHANGE will print as much information about modelers' offerings (cars, decals, etc.) as it can. When the modeler has supplied drawings or black decals (or copies thereof) they'll get printed. This can add up to a big newsletter- the first one ran to 42 pages. If you decide to join, send as much information about your railroad as you can.

Anyone interested can write me at P. O. Box 3165-XR, Costa Mesa, CA 92628. I'll answer all queries; an SASE is nice. First year memberships are only \$6.00, \$10.00 sustaining and overseas. Any materials submitted for publication in the newsletter must be in by the 15th of the odd month (i.e. May 15th for the May-June issue).

ADVERTISERS NOTICE

Due to space limitations, in this issue and the January 1987 issue of this newsletter will contain no advertising. Any advertiser who has paid for advertising he has not received should contact the division's Chief Clerk/Paymaster at the address given in the Cajon Division Staff list on the cover of this issue for a refund.

TIMETABLE

National Model Railroad Association,
Pacific Southwest Region Activity
Coordinating Committee.

The Activity Coordinating Committee is a clearinghouse for information about events of interest to PSR members and helps to avoid conflicts in scheduling such events. For information or scheduling assistance, call or send an SASE to: **John Hachey, 2885 S. Phoenix Ave., Ontario CA 91761, (714) 947-4389.**

OCT 18, 1986; LA Division Winter Meet and Swap Meet; 9AM TO 4PM, Traveltown, Griffith Park, Los Angeles, CA. INFO: Hal Hoadley, (818) 843-4930. \$4 Members, \$5 Members & Family, \$8 Non-members.

OCT 25, 26, 28, 1986; Pasadena Model Railroad Club Open House; Sat. Noon to 5PM & 7 to 10PM; Sun. Noon to 5PM; Tues. 7 to 10PM; 5458 Alhambra Ave, Los Angeles. Info Bill James (818) 284-2664 or (818) 248-0249; Adults \$1, Children \$0.50.

OCT 25, 26, 1986; Orange Empire Railway Museum Fall Festival; Sat. & Sun 9 AM to 5PM; 2201 South A Street, Perris. Adults \$5, Children (3 to 11) \$3

NOV 1, 2, 1986; Pasadena Model Railroad Club Open House; Sat. Noon to 5PM & 7 to 10PM; Sun. Noon to 5PM; 5458 Alhambra Ave, Los Angeles. Info Bill James (818) 284-2664 or (818) 248-0249; Adults \$1, Children \$0.50.

NOV 5, 8, 9, 1986; Highland Pacific Railroad 38th Anniversary Open House; Weds. 7:30 to 10PM; Sat. Noon to 6PM; Sun. Noon to 5PM; 854 E. Broadway Ave., San Gabriel. Info Fred Gliena (818) 285-1031; Free

NOV 8, 1986; Foothill Model Railroad Club Swap Meet & Open House; Swap Meet 7AM to 12 Noon; Open House 2PM to 5PM & 7 to 10PM; 7756-1/2 Foothill Blvd., Tujunga. Info Monday, Wednesday and Saturday Eves (818) 353-5900; Adults \$1.50, Families (Children under 18) \$2.00

NOV 14, 15, 16, 1986; Cal Stewart Convention (TTDS); Friday 7:30PM Party; Sat. 9AM to 5PM; Sun. 9AM to 5:30PM; Pasadena Convention Center. Info Steve (213) 833-6735; Must be member of TTDS, TCA, NMRA, etc. or guest of a member.

NOV 22, 1986; PSR/NMRA LA Division Layout Tour; 9AM TO 12 Noon, Pick up maps for self guided tour at old SP/PE Depot on corner of Torrance Blvd. & Cabrillo Ave., Torrance. INFO: Wayne Hallowell, (213) 877-5694. \$2 Members, \$3 Members & Family, \$7 Non-members.

DEC 6, 1986; PSR/NMRA Cajon Division Auction; Sellers 9AM, Buyers 10AM; Community Room, Glendale Federal Savings, 320 N. Harbor Blvd., Fullerton; INFO: Rick Colbert (714) 533-6484. \$1.50 Members, \$2 Non-members.

JAN 3 & 4, 1987; Great American Train Show; 12 Noon to 6PM; Shrine Civic Auditorium, 649 West Jefferson Blvd, Los Angeles; INFO: GATS Ltd. (312) 834-0852. \$4

JAN 17 & 18, 1987; Rusty Rails Open House; 12 Noon to 5PM; 915 Redbud Street, Brea. INFO Vic Prior (714) 529-4082 Free.

FEB 7, 1987; PSR/NMRA LA Division Annual Banquet; 6:30PM; Site to be announced. INFO Jim Hogben (213) 442-1978.

FEB 28, 1987; PSR/NMRA Cajon Division Annual Banquet; 6:30PM; Site to be announced. INFO Rick Colbert (714) 533-6484.

APR 25, 1987; PSR/NMRA Mid-year Board Meeting; Site to be announced. INFO Wilmer Seaver (805) 255-8771.

APR 25 & 26, 1987; Cornfield Meet '87: Railroadiana Swap Meet; Fairplex in Pomona. INFO Possum Belly Caboose, P. O. Box 1285, Glendora, CA 91740.

JUL 28 THRU AUG 2, 1987; NMRA National Convention; Eugene, OR. INFO Bill Bain, Box 10445, Eugene, OR 97401.

SEP, 1987; PSR/NMRA Regional Convention; Flagstaff, AZ. INFO William Herron, 4827 Halfmoon Dr., Flagstaff, AZ 86001 (602) 526-2859.

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