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Missouri & North Arkansas Railroad's last steam run to Eureka Springs, Arkansas, September 6, 1946. (*Gene Hull collection*)



NEXT MEETING/PROGRAM



The next meeting of the Arkansas Railroad Club will be on SUNDAY, JANUARY 14 at 2 p.m. in the Twin City Bank (now Mercantile Bank) on Main Street in North Little Rock. The program will be given by JOHN JONES. Our official photographer will show videos of Canadian railroads. Refreshments will be served and the public is invited.

Future meetings: February - Robin Thomas, Santa Fe railroad scenes; March - Walter Walker with railroad China.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT - The Arkansas Railroad Club Board of Directors have authorized the first step in the preparation of a manuscript on Railroad Stations by Gene Hull, which will include related train information such as timetables, passes, consists and a historical text.

The book will have a color cover, several color pages inside and be 11 x 8½ inches (approximately 128 pages) in sections about MP/TPIGN, Rock Island (Sunbelt Route), M&NA (Joplin to Helena), Frisco, Cotton Belt, KCS and others. The selling price will be held to just under \$20 to allow wide distribution of this information with a tentative publication date of 1997.

Please submit any copy (Xerox) you may wish to contribute by 15 March 1996 to TOM SHOOK, 1716 Alberta, Little Rock AR 72227, (501)-225-8955, for evaluation by the Publication Committee.

MEMBERSHIP CARDS - GOT YOURS? - Membership cards were inserted in this issue as well as the December issue. If you paid and did not get yours, please drop Ken Ziegenbein a line at the club's address.

UPCOMING U.P. LITTLE ROCK EXCURSIONS - Apparently, Union Pacific **WILL** run excursions south from St. Louis to Little Rock, then north to Branson, Missouri in October 1996, using either the 844 or the E-units. I received an e-mail letter from the Pacific Limited Group stating that indeed the contracts have been signed. **THEY** will be the official sponsor of these trips, but will work with groups in St. Louis and here. Our involvement, if any, has yet to be determined.

Included in these trips are **TWO** round trips out of Little Rock, either to Russellville or McGehee or maybe Memphis or Pine Bluff. These would be on the **WEEKEND** of October 26 and 27. Tickets on some of these segments were to go on sale as soon as mid-January. **No pricing or details as of this writing.**

The schedule: Thursday, October 24 - St. Louis to Poplar Bluff, MO via Chester Sub; Friday, October 25 - Poplar Bluff to Little Rock; Saturday, October 26 - Little Rock to Russellville (?), round trip; Sunday, October 27 - Little Rock to ??, round trip; Monday, October 28 - Little Rock to Branson, MO over the Missouri & Northern Arkansas via Diaz Junction; Tuesday and Wednesday, October 29 and 30, layover at Branson with various activities; Friday, November 1, Branson to Kansas City.

The M&NA would like to have the 844 run to Branson, but bridges on the line may preclude this.

The memo also stated that the entire former C&NW passenger car fleet is being sold to the state of North Carolina, so the consist will be smaller than last year. However, **THESE EXCURSIONS ARE OFFICIAL**, according to Pacific Limited and are the **ONLY U.P. EXCURSIONS APPROVED FOR 1996!** We may consider ourselves lucky.

NRHS DUES BILLS DELAYED - According to *Cinders*, the publication of the Philadelphia Chapter NRHS, the national organization still had not printed their dues bills as of late November due to a computer failure at Baltimore. They should come up to date in December.

PUT YOUR NAME ON A CROSSTIE - The Virginia Museum of Transport is selling plates that have your name or someone you designate engraved on it. These plates would then be actually placed on a crosstie on the museum's track near the famous Class J No. 611. These plates are \$50 and benefit the construction of the Claytor Pavilion. Send any donations to the Virginia Museum of Transport, 303 Norfolk Ave, Roanoke VA 24016.

REQUEST FOR E-MAIL - If any of you have the ability to send electronic mail (via computer), that would be a great and fast way to get news to me. My E-Mail address is:

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Be sure to type it exactly as is, with the (.) and in small letters. If anyone does have E-mail ability (at home or office), please send me your address. Electronic mail is usually **free** and can be sent/received free worldwide.

REQUEST FOR NEWS - I need you to send me railroad news from your city or town, especially if you live in Arkansas. Mainly, I need news from your LOCAL PAPER. That is the only way we can get it. That news will then be put in the *Arkansas Railroader*, where it will be preserved for future rail historians. As you know, the *Railroader* is sent to several libraries, both in and out of Arkansas, and some, like the Arkansas History Commission, microfilms them. Thanks in advance. Oh...you **WILL** be credited for sending the news.

1996 SHOW & SALE - Remember that our annual Show & Sale will be held on Saturday, May 18, 1996 at the Robinson Center in Little Rock (setup May 17). Prices for tables: \$25 for one, \$20 for second, \$15 third. Admission will be \$3 adults, \$1 children. If you'd like a table, write to the Arkansas Railroad Club, PO Box 9151, North Little Rock AR 72119. (Our 1997 show may be in conjunction with the NMRA convention here).

ARKANSAS RAILROADER INDEX AVAILABLE - GENE HULL has put together a good index of *Arkansas Railroader* main articles covering Volume 21, No. 1 through Volume 26, No. 1 (January 1990 to January 1995). You can get a copy of this from Gene for \$2. Contact him at 3507 E Washington #31, North Little Rock AR 72114 or call 501-945-7386). Index for Volume 1, No. 1 to Volume 20, No. 12 by James Fair is no longer available.

T-SHIRTS AVAILABLE - T-shirts from our U.P. 3985 trip are still available for \$10 each, postage paid. Sizes are L and XL, but we can special order for you. Send your \$10 to the Arkansas Railroad Club, PO Box 9151, North Little Rock AR 72119.

1996 CALENDARS FOR SALE - Our 1996 calendars are **READY TO SHIP**. They include 13 photos of railroads in Arkansas, all black and white. Costs are: \$8.00 for one, \$7.50 for 2-9 and \$6.50 for 10 or more, postage included. Railroads included are KCS, Missouri Pacific, Santa Fe, Rock Island, Cotton Belt, Prescott & Northwestern, Neiman-Marcus special, D&R, AD&N, UP, M&A, Warren & Saline River, Frisco and UP 3985 passing Paperton Junction Southern's Alco.

RAILROAD ABANDONMENT PROPOSALS

These are railroad abandonment notices that have been published in the FEDERAL REGISTER during the past couple of months. Effective abandonment dates are valid **UNLESS** stayed OR an offer of financial assistance is received OR trail use/rail banking requests are filed OR environmental issues are raised. They are presented generally in chronological order of being published. The states will be listed first, then the railroad. The "FR" stands for Federal Register.

LOUISIANA - MISSOURI PACIFIC RR CO - Portion of the Goods Roads Lead from MP 8.68 to the end of the line at MP 9.4 near Shreveport, a distance of about 0.72 miles in Caddo Parish, LA. Effective September 30, 1995. (FR August 31, 1995)

MINNESOTA - BURLINGTON NORTHERN - To abandon its 6.78-mile line of railroad between MP 40.00 near Beardsley and MP 46.78 near Browns Valley, in Big Stone and Traverse Counties, MN. Effective October 7, 1995. (FR September 7, 1995)

TENNESSEE - NORFOLK SOUTHERN RWY CO - To abandon its line of railroad at Maryville, Blount County, TN between MP 15.84-KA and MP 16.05-KA and between MP 0.09-KC and MP 0.82-KC, a total of 0.94 miles. Effective October 8, 1995. (FR September 8, 1995)

ALABAMA - NORFOLK SOUTHERN RWY CO - To abandon its line of railroad between MP 48.0-N at Jacksonville and MP 55.3 at Fort McClellan in Calhoun County, AL, a total of 7.3 miles. Effective October 18, 1995 (FR September 8, 1995)

NORTH DAKOTA - SOO LINE RR CO - To abandon about 5.5 miles of its "Harlow to Baker Trackage" between

- MP 474.54 near Harlow and MP 479.54 near Baker, in Bensen County, ND. Effective October 22, 1995. (FR September 22, 1995)
- TEXAS - TEXAS AND OKLAHOMA RR CO.** - To abandon the entire 156.49 mile line of the North Orient Rail Line from MP 480.19 at the Oklahoma-Texas state line to MP 636.68 at Orient Junction, near Sweetwater, TX. Effective October 26, 1995. (FR September 26, 1995)
- KENTUCKY - CSX TRANSPORTATION INC** - To abandon 5.38 miles of rail line between MP LHE-114.22 at Kronos and MP LHE-108.84 at Centertown, in Ohio County, KY. Effective October 25, 1995. (FR September 28, 1995)
- MISSOURI - MISSOURI PACIFIC** - To abandon 2.16 miles of rail between MP 226.84 near Sedalia and MP 229.0 in Pettis County, MO. Effective October 30, 1995. (FR September 19, 1995)
- INDIANA - MUNCIE AND WESTERN RR CO** - To abandon its whole line, 3.72 miles, within the Macedonia industrial commercial site in Muncie, IN. Effective November 5, 1995. (FR October 6, 1995)
- FLORIDA - FLORIDA WEST COAST** - To abandon 17.275 miles from MP 796.7 at Cross City and MP 806.127 at Wilcox and between MP 741.938 at Wilcox and MP 734.09 at Trenton, FL. Effective November 11, 1995. (FR October 12, 1995)
- ARIZONA - SWKR OPERATING CO** - To abandon 17.26 miles of track between MP 1085.0 at Bisbee Jct and MP 1090.6 at Bisbee and between MP N 1097.30 at Paul Spur and the end of the line at MP N 1107.96 at Douglas, including a 1-mile line from Douglas to the Mexico border. Effective November 11, 1995 (FR October 12, 1995)
- GEORGIA - CSX TRANSPORTATION INC** - To abandon about 0.48 miles of its line between MP ANK-770.73 and MP ANK-770.25 at the end of track, in Fitzgerald, Ben Hill County, GA. Effective November 12, 1995. (FR October 17, 1995)
- WASHINGTON - BURLINGTON NORTHERN** - To abandon its 1.27-mile line of track between BN MP 6.92 and BN MP 8.19 and the 1.42-mile Cascade Pole Spur in and near Arlington, a total of 2.69 miles, in Snohomish County, WA. Effective November 18, 1995. (FR October 19, 1995)
- ILLINOIS - CONRAIL** - To abandon its line known as the Bernice Running Track between MP 294.30 and MP 294.90 in Cook County, IL, a distance of about 0.6 miles. Effective November 18, 1995. (FR October 19, 1995)
- VIRGINIA - NORFOLK SOUTHERN RWY CO** - To abandon its line between MP F-3.3 at Kent and MP F-5.0 at Ringgold, in Pittsylvania County, VA, a total of 1.7 miles. Effective November 18, 1995. (FR October 19, 1995)
- MICHIGAN - RLTD RWY CORP** - To abandon its entire line of railroad between MP 5.52 at Hatches Crossing, Elmwood Township, and MP 29.56 at Northport, in Leelanau County, MI. Effective November 18, 1995. (FR October 19, 1995)
- INDIANA - CSX TRANSPORTATION INC** - To abandon its line between MP Q-203.13 at Gosport and MP Q-213.41 at Ellettsville, a distance of about 10.28 miles, in Monroe and Owen Counties, KY. Effective November 19, 1995. (FR October 20, 1995)
- NEW YORK - BOSTON & MAINE** - To abandon the 5.04-mile Bennington Branch line between MP 0.00 and 5.04 in Hoosick, Rensselaer County, NY. Effective November 24, 1995. (FR October 25, 1995)
- IOWA - NORFOLK & WESTERN RWY CO** - To abandon a 2.3-mile line between MP SD-334.6 and SD-336.8 and between MP SD-339.6 and 339.7 in Des Moines, IA. Effective November 25, 1995. (FR October 26, 1995)
- VIRGINIA - NORFOLK SOUTHERN** - To abandon 1.7 miles of line between MP VB-15.4 and MP VB- 17.1 at Virginia Beach, VA. Effective November 25, 1995. (FR October 26, 1995)
- KANSAS - CENTRAL KANSAS RWY LTD** - To abandon a 9-mile portion of its H&S Subdivision between MP 59.7 near Harper and MP 68.7 near Anthony, in Harper County, KS. Effective November 29, 1995. (FR October 30, 1995)
- UTAH - UTAH RWY CO** - To abandon about 3.6 miles of line between MP 0.0 at Jacobs and MP 3.6 at Spring Canyon, in Carbon County, UT. Effective December 1, 1995. (FR November 1, 1995)
- UTAH - UTAH RWY CO** - To abandon its Wattis Branch Line from MP 0.0 to MP 2.4 in Carbon County, UT, a distance of 2.4 miles. Effective December 1, 1995. (FR November 1, 1995)
- PENNSYLVANIA - BUFFALO & PITTSBURGH RR INC** - To abandon 2 miles of its Wharton subdivision between MP 5 and MP 7 in Sandy Township, Clearfield County, PA. Effective December 13, 1995. (FR November 13, 1995)
- KENTUCKY - CSX TRANSPORTATION INC** - To abandon a 1.96-mile portion of its rail line (known as the Stephens Branch) between MP COP-0.0 and MP COP-1.96 at the end of the track near Marrs, in Floyd County, KY. Effective December 14, 1995. (FR November 14, 1995)

- FLORIDA - CSX TRANSPORTATION INC** - To abandon its 1.85-mile line extending between MP SPB-772.15 and MP SPB-774.0 at the end of the track in Drifton, Jefferson County, FL. Effective December 21, 1995. (FR November 24, 1995)
- TEXAS - ST LOUIS SOUTHWESTERN RWY CO (COTTON BELT)** - To abandon a 3.54-mile line of railroad known as the Lufkin Branch, from MP 549.46 near rail station Lufkin Junction to the end of the line at MP 553.0 in Tyler, Smith County, TX. Effective December 24, 1995. (FR November 24, 1995)
- NEW YORK - CONRAIL** - To abandon about 3.5 miles of line near Lockport, in Niagara County, NY including the Gulf Line Industrial Track between MP 25.30 and the end of the line at MP 26.60, and the Lockport Industrial Track between MP 24.50 and the end of track at MP 26.70. Effective December 20, 1995. (FR November 24, 1995)
- WISCONSIN - SOO LINE** - To abandon 0.56 miles of track in Milwaukee, WI. Effective December 27, 1995. (FR November 27, 1995)
- ALABAMA - ALABAMA RAILROAD CO.** - To abandon 3.68 miles between MP 662.62 at Beatrice and MP 666.3 at Corduroy, in Monroe County, AL. Effective December 31, 1995. (FR December 1, 1995)
- MISSISSIPPI - ILLINOIS CENTRAL** - Granted right to abandon the Little J line, 7.94 track-miles including sidings, between MP LN-0.2 and MP LN-6.0 within the city limits of Jackson, Hinds County, MS. (FR December 5, 1995)
- MASS. - BOSTON & MAINE CORP** - To abandon the Tewksbury Branch line, between MP 0.75 and MP 1.92, about 1.17 miles, in Tewksbury, Middlesex County, MA. Effective January 6, 1996. (FR December 8, 1995)
- TEXAS - SF&L RAILWAY INC** - To abandon about 18.23 miles of railroad between MP 813.1, near Italy, and MP 831.33, near Hillsboro, in Ellis and Hill Counties, TX. Effective January 10, 1996. (FR December 11, 1995)
- TEXAS - MID-MICHIGAN RAILROAD-MISSOURI PACIFIC RR** - To abandon 29.1 miles of track extending from Clarksville (MP 61.5) to Paris (MP 90.6) in Lamar and Red River Counties, TX. Effective January 11, 1996. (FR December 12, 1995)

WANTED: FOR SALE OR TRADE

The following is for those who want to find certain railroad-related items, information, or want to sell or trade such items with other railfans. We reserve the right to refuse listings if deemed inappropriate. The Arkansas Railroad Club is not responsible for misleading ads.

WANTED - Photo of a CNW GP-50, especially in the Arkansas-Louisiana area

on the U.P. Will pay for picture. Contact DON SMITH, 2103 Emerson Dr, Monroe LA 71201 or call 318-387-7376.

WANTED - Railroad benches for the old Missouri Pacific depot in Hope, Arkansas that's being renovated into a museum. Either the all-wood benches with dividers or ones with the ends in iron. Contact GARY JOHNSON at the Hope Visitor Center and

Museum at 501-777-7500.

FOR SALE - The 1995 edition of *Railroad Facts from the Association of American Railroads* is available for \$8.00, postage paid. Send orders to Factbook, Central Operations Group, Association of American Railroads, 50 F Street NW - Suite 5900, Washington DC 20001-1564.

ARKANSAS RAIL NEWS

WALNUT RIDGE DEPOT READY

(Walnut Ridge) - The former 1910 Missouri Pacific depot at Walnut Ridge has now been fully restored and is being used to house the Chamber of Commerce and the Amtrak waiting room for the *Texas Eagle*. It was officially dedicated November 27. Granite slabs outside the depot bear the names of contributors to the restoration project. *(The Times Dispatch, Walnut Ridge, December 12 via John Elders)*

VARIOUS TRACKS TAKEN UP

(Warren and Prescott) - In December, the Warren & Saline River RR tracks between the "country club crossing" on Highway 15 near Warren and the old connection with the Rock Island (now Fordyce & Princeton) at Hermitage (about 11 miles) were taken up, along with the ties. At the same time, about 11 miles of Prescott & Northwestern line was taken up north of Prescott. HOWEVER, BOTH these railroads are still alive and well

and doing a good business (see table of shortline railroads elsewhere in this newsletter). These areas of abandonments once had the silence broken by a passing train. Now there's only a little dirt road. *(The Eagle Democrat, via Walter Walker)*

ROCK ISLAND BRIDGE NEWS

(Little Rock) - In early November, Union Pacific and the Coast Guard said they would wait awhile before demolishing the old Rock

Island bridge across the Arkansas River in Little Rock to see if it could be used as a walkway connection between Little Rock and North Little Rock. Both cities are trying to use it for a redeveloped downtown area. The bridge was built in 1899 and was last used in 1984. Rail links to the bridge were removed

years ago. (*Arkansas Democrat-Gazette, November 10, 1995 by Ray Pierce via Jonathan Royce*).

**FARRELL SHOPS REBUILT
BALDWINS**

(*Brinkley*) - Back on April 2, 1942, the first two rebuilt Baldwin locomotives were turned out by the Farrell Locomotive Works in Brinkley, assigned to the U.S. Army's war effort at Fort Benning. (*Brinkley Argus, via Don Weis*)

GENERAL RAIL NEWS

CONRAIL STILL TRYING

Conrail is still trying to buy some 3,000 miles of Southern Pacific track through Texas, Arkansas and Louisiana, even though SP's potential buyer, Union Pacific, has turned them down. Conrail has assigned a senior vice president to pursue this issue and they are trying to get support from shippers and political leaders in the three states mentioned. Illinois Central also has eyes on parts of the SP. (*Cinders, December 1995*)

Drivers actually pay less than two-thirds of the cost of building and maintaining roads through the gas tax and other user fees. The remaining \$30 BILLION a year comes from general U.S. tax funds and property taxes. Thus, we should have a more balanced transportation system, with air being used for long trips over 500 miles and intercity rail being used for trips between 100 and 500 miles. (The Washington Post, November 9, 1995 via the Old Dominion Chapter Highball)

BETHLEHEM STEEL NEWS

(*Bethlehem, PA*) - Bethlehem Steel shut down its blast furnaces in Bethlehem on November 18, ending more than 100 years of steel making and leaving about 1,800 workers without jobs. This means the Philadelphia, Bethlehem and New England Railroad will shrink as well. (*Cinders, December 1995*)

PHILIP MORRIS TRAIN?

Philip Morris, the maker of Marlboro cigarettes, is spending \$50 MILLION to build an 18-car excursion train along with two General Motors F59 locomotives. This train, to be called the "Marlboro Unlimited", will debut in the summer of 1996 and tour the western part of the country, promoting Marlboro cigarettes and will be a "smokers only" train. The cars, including domed sleeping cars, diners, a disco car and a spa car, will be built by Rader Railcar, Inc. of Denver. Contests will be held to award trips on the trains, a \$6,000 value, so people can experience the "golden age of rail travel." The cars were started to be built last October.

The height of the train will be 17 feet, 5 inches above the rail, about a foot taller than

Amtrak's Superliners. The eight sleepers will have 15 state rooms each, each room having a bath and shower, two beds, a large couch and easy chair, and a glass dome. Its eight public and lounge cars will have dance floors, movie theaters, libraries and dining rooms. The disco car will have a mezzanine level. The spa car will have five hot tubs, two massage rooms (with a masseur and masseuse) and a 12-foot high glass window. The car will have gutters to catch hot tub spills. The end of the train will have a large open-air platform.

The train will have a staff of 55 that will have its own set of cars, as well as about 20 customer service representatives.

The train will run through the Rockies and the states of Wyoming, Idaho, Montana and Colorado (UP/SP/BN, are you ready?) (*O.K., Arkansas Railroad Club, want to sponsor one of these trips? Let's see, to make a profit, we'd probably need to charge \$7,000 a ticket, but hey, life's short!! Just think - we'd offer FREE massages!*) (*Richmond Times-Dispatch, October 16, 1995 via the Old Dominion Chapter Highball*)

AMTRAK NEWS

FUNDING 1996

The final approved funding for Amtrak in 1996 is \$750 million, down 24.5% from 1995. A provision to let states spend some of their federal highway trust fund money on passenger trains was killed. In fact, the House

of Representatives voted 404-4 to give some subsidy to Amtrak for the next four years. New rules in the bill would make Amtrak more businesslike and could contract out some services. Amtrak now can decide on its route structure on a business basis instead of

political. Amtrak's current Board of Directors would be replaced by an Emergency Reform Board. Separate action was still pending in the Senate. (*NARP News and Arkansas Democrat-Gazette, December 1, 1995*)

HAPPY NEW YEAR

ARKANSAS SHORT LINE RAILROADS - December 1995
 researched by Randy Tardy, Arkansas Democrat-Gazette business writer

LINE	MILES OF TRACK (total) ¹	ANNUAL CARLOADS	OFFICE
Missouri & Northern Arkansas	177 (524)	NA	Carthage, MO (417)-358-8800
Arkansas and Missouri	105 (138)	23,804	Springdale, AR (501)-751-5763
Arkansas Midland	100	20,200	Jones Mill, AR (501)-844-4444
Little Rock and Western	79	5,643	Perry, AR (501)-662-4878
Kiamichi	65 (266)	6,473	Hugo, OK (405)-326-8306
Fordyce and Princeton	57	10,000	Crossett, AR (501)-562-5002
East Camden and Highland	48	514	East Camden, AR (501)-574-0770
Delta Southern	46 (108)	NA	Tallulah, LA (318)-574-5420
DeQueen and Eastern	46	18,902	DeQueen, AR (501)-584-3582
Ashley, Drew & Northern	41 ²	NA	Crossett, AR (501)-562-5002
Prescott and Northwestern	31	3,632	Prescott, AR (501)-887-3103
Louisiana and North West	25 (82)	3,805	Homer, LA (318)-927-2031
Ouachita	16 (26)	1,800	Dardanelle, AR (501)-967-5200
Fort Smith RR	18	2,500	Crossett, AR (501)-562-5002
Arkansas, LA and Mississippi	13 (52)	13,454	Chillicothe, IL (309)-274-5110
Little Rock Port Authority	10	5,415	Little Rock, AR (501)-490-1523
Doniphan, Kensett & Searcy	6	745	Omaha, NE (402)-271-4591
El Dorado & Wesson	6	5,000	El Dorado, AR (501)-863-7100
Dardanelle & Russellville	5	923	Dardanelle, AR (501)-968-6455
Warren & Saline River	5	5,940	Warne, AR (501)-226-2611
Bauxite and Northern	3	3,351	Bauxite, AR (501)-776-4619
Friday-Graham Spur	3	720	West Memphis, AR (501)-735-1134
Delta Valley & Southern	2	725	Wilson (501)-655-9311

¹ Total track, including outside of Arkansas

² Filed for abandonment August 1995

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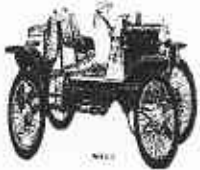
The Arkansas Railroad Club is a non-profit organization that meets on the second Sunday of the month. This month we will meet on Sunday, **JANUARY 14** at the Twin City Bank on Main Street in North Little Rock. We are a chapter of the National Railway Historical Society. Programs are presented.

The **ARKANSAS RAILROADER** is the monthly publication of the Arkansas Railroad Club and is generally mailed in time to be received before the monthly meetings. In order to receive this publication, you must be a member of the Club. Current dues are \$20/year for Arkansas residents and also \$20/year for out-of-state. You may also join the National Railway Historical Society through our Club by paying \$14/year more, or \$34/year. The **RAILROADER** is mailed to all members automatically.

If you would like to join, send your check made out to the "Arkansas Railroad Club" to: ATTN:Treasurer, ARKANSAS RAILROAD CLUB, P.O. Box 9151, North Little Rock AR 72119.

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UPDATE ON U.P. EXCURSION NEWS: The announced trips out of Little Rock in October 1996 are not yet official as of December 28, as Pacific Limited stated. However, they are a good bet. Also, PLEASE DON'T CALL UNION PACIFIC or AMTRAK about these possible trips. They don't and won't know anything.