



Upper Canada Railway Society

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The March-April and the May-June issues of RAIL & TRANSIT have been mailed to all members. This was completed about July 5, and so should have been received by now.

Starting July 15, 1977, Canadians will be able to purchase AMTRAK passes on the same basis as foreigners, provided they are bought in Canada in advance from the C.N.R. Thus a 30 day pass will now cost \$ 275. instead of the \$ 450. previously paid. Passes for shorter periods are reduced proportionally.

New subway cars for the Spadina subway in Toronto continue to arrive and may be seen occasionally in the evening being tested on the Bloor-Danforth route. The ends of the cars are painted black, distinguishing them from other TTC subway rolling stock. They will be stored in the new Wilson subway yards as soon as track work permits it.

Rail Fans who are photographers may show their edited slides to the General Public at Harbourfront in Toronto. The showings take place every fourth Friday of the month at 7.30 pm., in the A.T.A. Building, which is located on the south-west corner of Spadina Ave. and Queen's Quay. Sponsored by the C.R.H.A. Toronto & York division.

The Parkdale Save Our Station Committee still needs help from any members to promote the project. The fact that the City of Toronto, the Ontario Heritage Foundation and Wintario are giving 3/4 of the money needed indicates the importance they attach to this building. Call Geo. Meek at 532-5617. Help will be very much appreciated indeed.

Saturday Aug. 6. - Don't forget the Diesel Excursion to Peterborough and Lakefield so you can join in the Celebration of the Queen's Silver Jubilee. Lots of tickets still available. It will be a great outing.

Sunday Aug. 14 - Toronto Transportation Society tour of Toronto by TTC PCC car from Roncesvalles car house (Roncesvalles and Queen) at 11.00 am. until 4.00 pm. Fare \$ 6.50 at car house. No lunch stop.

Friday Aug. 19 - The regular Toronto meeting at 589 Mount Pleasant Rd., 8.00 pm. The program will consist of 16 mm professional movies and it is expected that we will also have a presentation by Peter Graham of a Chessie Fan Trip.

Friday Aug. 26 - There will be no Hamilton Chapter meeting due to members being on holidays.

Wednesday Aug. 31 - Last Wednesday CN 6060 trip to Niagara Falls for the Season. Saturday trips will continue until Saturday Sept. 24.

Friday Sept. 30 to Sunday Oct. 2 - Second Annual National Rail Passenger Conference sponsored by Transport 2000 and Affiliated Groups. Main theme will be Public Surface Transport with emphasis on Rail Passengers. Fee \$ 30. before Sept. 15, \$ 35. after this date. Register by writing to Algonquin College Conference Secretariat, Room B 293, 1385 Woodroffe Ave., Ottawa, Ont. K2G 1V8. Make checks out to Algonquin College.

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September 16, 17, 18 - Weekend Package including the Agawa Canyon Tour.

A limited number of reservations are available including Excursion train, two nights hotel accommodation and all transportation (Meals extra). Depart Toronto on "The Canadian" at 3.30 pm. Friday Sept. 16, and return on "The Canadian" Sunday Sept. 18. Sudbury to Sault Ste. Marie will be by charter, air-conditioned bus. This is your opportunity to enjoy the Dome and Dining car facilities during the last season that "The Canadian" will operate on the MacTier sub. There are dining cars on the A.C.R. also. The cost per person will be about \$ 100. (Food extra). For further details contact The Eyres, 68 Gair Dr., Toronto, Ont., M8W 4P8; phone 416-251-5727. A few spaces still left, order right away.

Saturday October 1 - Colour Special 6060 Steam Excursion to Muskoka for the town of Gravenhurst Centennial Celebrations. This is the first Public charter of 6060 by the UCRS. Note savings in fares by buying before September 10th. Look for "Flyer" with order form. Before Sept. 10 - Adult \$ 22. Child under 12 \$ 16. Side trip \$5. all After " 10 - " \$24.50. " " 12 \$ 17.75. " " \$5. " Lv. Toronto Union 8.00 am. Ar. Gravenhurst 12. noon Lv. Side trip Gravenhurst to Washago and return 1.00 pm. Lv. Gravenhurst for Toronto 4.30 pm. Ar. Toronto Union 8.30 pm. Route by Newmarket sub. both directions. There will be several runpasts.

Sat. & Sun. Oct. 1st & 2nd - Special interest to Western Canada Members - Skyline Travel Services special Excursion from Vancouver to Kamloops and return via CP Rail using all Canadian equipment with Diesel power. Fare \$ 114. per person including overnight hotel in Kamloops. Lv. Vancouver at 8.00 am. Oct. 1. More information from Skyline Travel, 563 Granville St. Vancouver.