

This is the first issue of the <u>Northern</u>, the official publication of the New England Region of the TAMR. Due to some administrative reshuffling we have lost New York City as a part of our region. That's the bad news. Please write an article for our magazine. Subject matter doesn't really matter as long as it is clean and relates to trains in some way.

I need cover art, want ads, and authors. Want asd are free to anyone writing an article for THE NORTHERN. Other ads will be free up to the 20th word, after which there will be a 2¢ per additional wordcharge. I will accept catoons, articles, and monthly columns. Try to keep all artwork to line drawings.

Wanna run a railroad? Several years ago the Avalon Hill game company, 4517 Harford Road, Baltimore, Maryland 21214, published a game called C&O/B&O. It was a successor to an earlier game called DISPATCHER. Unfortunately, both games are no longer being published, but if you wriet to Avalon Hill they may be able to direct you to a place where you can buy a copy.

So far, I have one nomination for regional office and that is for the post of vice-president. We need more officers than that.

INEXPENSIVE STEAM LOCOMOTIVE MODELS

TYCO manufactures an excellent line of metal steam loco kits, and they are fairly inexpensive. A local hobby dealer and I talkedjover some ideas $^{\rm I}$ had and here is what came out of it-

Using a Tyco Mikado kit and some Kemtron detail parts, it would be possible to cfeate; a 2-8-4, a 2-8-0, an 0-8-0, and even a 0-8-2. Any of the above c ould be further personalized by building it as a cab-forward. Kemtron makes a forrwheel trailing truck and a cab-forward face to convert a Tyco "Docksider" into a cab-forward. ith a little cutting and a little filling the face would fit on any of the Tyco kits.

The Pacific would yield a; 4-6-4; 2-6-4; or cab-forwards

as mentioned above.

Similar experimenting would result in distinctive models from any of the smaller kits Tyco makes. Kemtron and Walthers make thousands of detail parts suchas- cooling coils, piping, air tanks, cabs, domes, etc. Another maker of parts is Cal-Scale.

An often overlooked item which you may also wish to alter is the tender. With a bit of sheet styrene you can radically change the appearance of the tender. You might, add a doghouse for the brakeman, for instance.

If yoy would like to know more about the workings of a steam locomotive, you should obtain the copies of Railroad Model Craftsman which contain installments of the "Basics of Steam" series by Mr. Rudy Kouhoupt. There were six issues which had the series in them. Write to:

Carstens Publications, Inc.

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P.O. Box 700

Newton, NJ 07860

Don't neglect to send a stamped, self-addressed envelope with your letter.

HO PLASTIC DIESELS**

Following is a list of diesel locomotive models which are made in plastic and it is accurate as of February 1, 1976. The numbers following the model are listed on a chatr at the end and represent available roadmames.

A.H.M.

MDT Light switcher- 1, 6, 8, 9, 12, 18, 36, 32. GP18- 6, 17, 13, 28, 29, 40, 43, 42, 12, 33, 32, G.E. 35 ton switcher- 8, 12, 9, 42, 14, 1. F-M C-liner- 11, 47, 42; 18, 8, 12, 1, 32, 33, 24, 14, 46, 6, 9, 16, 23, 19, 36, 44, 10, 45. Alco RS2- 8,11,12,41,44,16,19,9,36,10,48. EMD BL-2- 31,2,49,39,50,41,51,52, Alco 1000- 9,2,7,8,12,53,10. E-8- 6,8,35,16,54,2,9,24,1,32 Krauss-Maffei- 22,10. GE U25C- 8,24,7,12,44. GE Center-cab switcher-9,12,26,21. FP45- 23,12,26. C424- 14,17,48,26. EMD FT- 7,9,15,35.

Athearn

SW1500 = 1,7,8,9,10,6,11,12,60.DD40-1,7,8,9,10,60. GP9-1,7,8,12,10,9,13,14,60. GP35- 15,1,7,6,12,10,16,3,60. SDP40- 1,12*,10,17,18,19,13,60. SD45- 7,12,10,20,9,8,60. F7- 12*,8,10,7,9,22,14,1,18,23,2,24,17,25,60. F45- 12,;3,26,60. FP45- 12,14,1,35,26,8,10,9,60. S12- 32, 1,16,13,14,19,8,10,60. PAI- 1,19,8,12,10,9,4,16,27,60. U28B- 26,28,30,60. U28C* 10,9,36,60. U30B- 6,7,12,3,60. U30C- 2,14,8,60. U33B - 31,19,33,32,34,60.U33C- 12,13,10,60. SD9-12,14,10,9,8,26,XXX,60.Hustler switcher- 22, Black, REd, Silver, Yellow, Bronze. RDC 1&3-1,12,18.

Atlas

GP40- 12,3,6,14,44,60. FP7- 12,9,8,35,60, GP38- 12, XXXXXXXXXXXX, 26, 23, 28, 60. SD24- 12,9,7,11,60. SD35-12,6,8,3,10,60.

HO Diesels (con't)

Bachmann

U36B* 32,34,3,6. MDT switcher- 7,12. F9- 12*,26,6,3,22,35. GP40- 36,7,12*,26,6,37,3,22,29.

Cox

F3-3,58,31, GP9-31,3,59.

Life-Like

C415- 12,31,36,26, RS11-, 4,38,10,26,39,36. F7- 17,6,40,1,36,12,10,9,26,23,37,3. C628- 41,4,9,5. GP38-2- 44.

Lionel

U18B- 22,37,40,60. FA1- 13,35,31,10. GP7- 9,3-GM 50th anniversary.

MODEL DIE CASTING

Boxcab diesel- 55,1,5,56,57.

Model power

RF16- 60,12,8,23,19. FA2-60,12,8,9,26. E7- 60,12,37,39,8. E9- 60,12,23,35,26.

PMI

C420- 12,9,36,23x,37,32,3.
MDT switcher- 12,7,23,3,32.
FP45- 12,7,36,23,32.
F9- 12,37,18,26,35.

Tyco

RF16-(sharknose)- 25,26,19,4. C430- 12,6,40,3,36,32,7,13. F9- 36,12*,35,9,15,13. GP20- 6,7,9,36,12. C630- 12,4,6,3. MDT switcher- 12,36.

* Refers to choice between passenger or freight schemes of Santa Fe.

Roadname key--

1- B&O 3- Chessie 5- Lehigh Valley 2- C&O 4- D&H 6- Illinois central Gulf

Roadname key--

7-CB&Q

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11- Southern

12- Santa Fe

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14- Milwaukee

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30- WEstern Pacific

31- Rock Island 32- Seaboard Coast Line Bicentennial

33- Seaboard Coast Line

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47- Delaware, Lackawanna, & Western

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%\$54- kWabash

55- Jersey Central 56- United States Steel

57- Ford Notor Co. 58- U.S. Army

59- Big Pine Lumber Co.

60- undecorated

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