

#### AILROADI E A N F

TO TELL the story of the American railroad in fullest L possible fashion, the Eastern Presidents' Conference, comprising the principal roads east of Chicago and St. Louis, presents at the New York World's Fair 1939, its unique exhibit

### RAILROADS

Never before at any of the great world's fairs has the railroad industry as a whole sought to show, and to show fully, its unique and marvelous service and development. It is indeed a large task. At the New York Fair it requires seventeen acres of space, and a great exhibit building (140,000 square feet of floor area). RAILROADS AT THE NEW YORK WORLD'S FAIR 1939 is a world's fair in itself.

## Three Great Shows in One

To enable the visitor better to see and understand this magnificent exhibit, it has been divided into three major offerings—each a complete show. These are:

## **1** Railroads in Building

#### The Story of Railroad Construction

A comprehensive array of diorama and motion models, forming a graphic picture of the weaving of the railroad web of America-in track and in train -an outstanding feature contributed by the railway supply industry of the United States.

# 2 Railroads at Work

### The Story of Railroad Operation

To form this picture of a typical American railroad, a scale-model 160 feet in length and 40 feet in depth, with 3,800 feet of track and 50 locomotives and 400 cars, is being built in an enclosure seating 1,000 persons. In this auditorium, once each hour, there will be enacted an entire day's operations of a modern railroad-terminal services, both freight and passenger . . . the arrival and departure of through trains and suburban trains; the always fascinating picture of a classification yard . . . coal coming from the mine tipples to the docks for shipment . . . a car ferry at its task. . . . In all its detail, the enthralling drama of how the railroad serves at every turn.

### 3 Railroads on Parade The Romance of the Railroad

Pageant drama upon an unprecedented scale is this, with its actors, human and mechanical-men and women; horses and locomotives. In sixteen rapid-fire scenes RAILROADS ON PARADE tells of land transport from the days of the stage-coach and the canal-boat to those of the highly modern locomotive and the streamlined train. Not only is its stage the largest ever built in America (with its backstage covering five and one-half acres) but the problem of presenting openair drama on such a gigantic scale has been solved by some of the most ingenious light and sound effects ever offered in any theater. Scenery and costumes have been designed by Harry Horner, with Howard Ketcham and A. Sheldon Pennoyer as associates, and

the entire production is being staged by Charles Alan. RAILROADS ON PARADE will be presented four times daily-at 2:15 and 4:15 each afternoon, and 7:15 and 9:15 each evening during the progress of the Fair.

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# Other Outstanding Features

In addition to these three major divisions of RAIL-ROADS AT THE NEW YORK WORLD'S FAIR 1939 many others hardly less in extent are also outstanding features of this widespread exhibit of American rail transport. As, for instance:

#### Largest Steam Locomotive in the World

Standing on a masonry foundation and running at full speed, this engine, 130 feet in length and weighing 519 tons, with its 8 drivers and its 7,000-horsepower pulling capacity, represents an advance step in railroading, amazing to the layman and the railroader alike. This new super-giant locomotive is the last word in American rail progress-not merely in size but in its prodigious energy. It is a man-made concept ranking with the giants of nature.

# **4** Huge Track Exhibits

More than one-third of the seventeen acres of RAIL-ROADS AT THE NEW YORK WORLD'S FAIR 1939 is given over to 4,500 feet of track, upon which will be displayed the newest locomotives and trains from all corners of the world. England is sending her latestthe London, Midland & Scottish Railway's Coronation Scot, seven coaches and a magnificent locomotive. . . . Italy proffers an all-electric train, 525 feet in length



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and capable of easily running 120 miles an hour. . . . Poland, Russia and France and Switzerland are planning to send rolling stock. There will be locomotivespassenger and freight cars of highly modern design. Pullman Company and E. G. Budd will show their latest cars.

To top it all, American builders and American railroads will vie with one another and the creators of the great trains from overseas in presenting the finest of locomotives and cars, including the latest development in both.

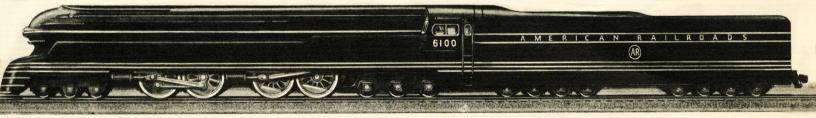
#### Historical Exhibit

No railroad fan will want to miss The Yard-a faithful full-size reproduction of an old-time passenger station and its surroundings, in which will stand such noble and historic engines as the English-built John Bull which was sent to America in 1831 and went into service across New Jersey, ... the graceful Daniel Nason (1844) which once ran between Boston and Providence, ... the Ross Winans (1845) and the J. C. Davis (1875) whose whistles were wont to wake the Maryland hills, . . . the famous General, which won its spurs in a most dramatic episode of the Civil War, ... the narrow-gauge engines from Colorado, . . . the picturesque little Bowker from California, . . . and the 999 which once made a world record, . . . and still others. A motley and a fascinating company these.

This remarkable outdoor exhibit will be supplemented by an indoor historical collection of prints and models and appliances arrayed and sponsored by the Railway and Locomotive Historical Society.

One of the national chain of Childs Restaurants, seating 1,200 persons, will be a feature of RAILROADS AT THE NEW YORK WORLD'S FAIR 1939.

EGGERS & HIGGINS - ARCHITECTS



The largest steam locomotive in the world will be shown in Railroads at the New York World's Fair 1939

# WHEN YOU COME TO THE RAILROAD SHOW— Come by Railroad

Railroad fans, and there are many thousands of them today in every corner of the United States, are coming to the show. They are coming by train. Train to New York; train from the heart of New York to the heart of the great Fair. From experience, railroad fans know the safe, quick way in which to travel. You will do well to follow their example. But even if you must walk all the way—do come. You cannot afford to miss the master thrill of a lifetime:

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The entrance and dome of Railroads at the New York World's Fair 1939