

Backhead Engine 2027 - class Y 3

# Railroad Union Work Rules And Their Impact to Model Operations



# Interaction Expected!

**Ask Questions**

**Provide your own insites and ideas**



# LDSIG & OPSIG Purpose:

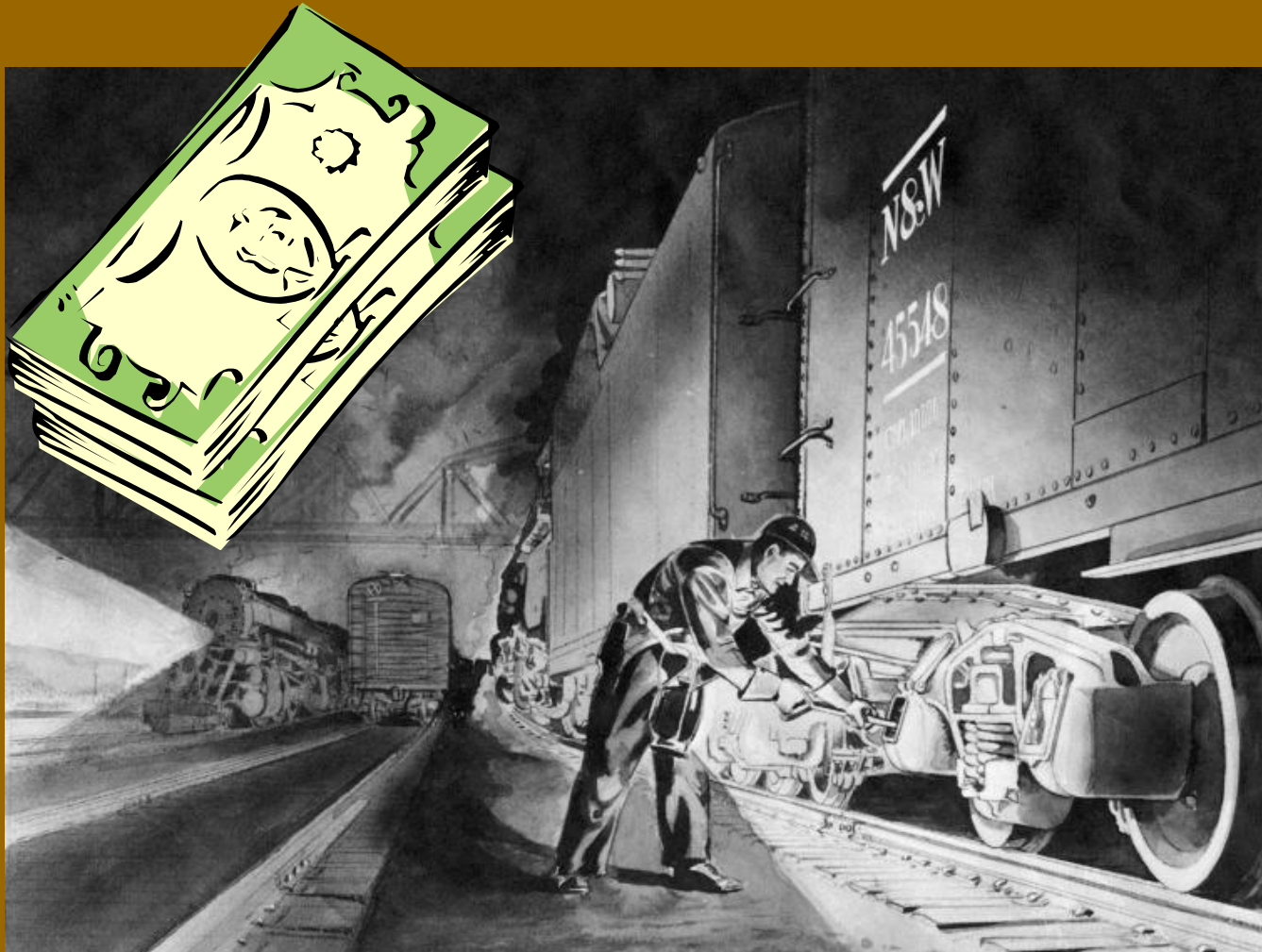
- The **Layout Design SIG's** prime purpose is to aid efforts to design and create layouts that achieve owner's layout goals, avoid common design flaws, and include prototypical and model design features that maximize operating and visual interest.
- The principal purpose of the **Operations SIG** is to discuss, develop and disseminate ways of operating model railroads to realistically emulate practices of the prototype railroads. This includes... .. the methods and procedures used by the real railroads and ways of most practically and realistically adapting them to the model world.

# Union Work Rules

- Different based on railroads
- Different based on era
- Determines who does what jobs
- Increases interest in operations without the cost of added track
- Improves mental “link” to the prototype
- Makes the real railroaders in your group happy

# Why Did the Railroads Follow These Rules?

It cost the railroad extra money to violate these rules



# Into the Clear



# Blue Flagging – more an FRA rule



# Starting Time of Yard Crews



# Putting Power on the Train



# Pulling a shifted load or Bad Order



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# Caboose Assignments



# Caboose Placement with Pusher Engines



# Blocking of Train

## The Night Crawler at East Berlington



# Blocking of Train

## The Night Crawler at Danhill



# Reciprocal Switching Agreements



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# Helper Engines



# Transfers





# Passenger Switching



# Hours of Service



# Other Local Work Rules

- If an engineer changes engines 3 times or more, he gets extra hours pay for every change after that
- Air Pay = no car man and crew makes the joint
- Road crew works a combination of more than 7 or more **switches** and **stations**, means crew gets way-freight rates  
*(work 3 places and does 4 switches)*

Questions? Discussion?

