

ATCHISON, TOPEKA AND SANTA FE RAILWAY FILM COLLECTION

Kansas State Historical Society

Tape 1:

Southwest Indian Dances, 10 minutes, 1949

Highlights the activities of the Inter-Tribal Indian Ceremonial held at Gallup, New Mexico

The Museum and the Santa Fe Railroad, 9.40 minutes, 1950s

Shows the model railroad provided by the Santa Fe Railway to Museum of Science and Industry in Chicago, Ill.

Passenger Service Report, 12.35 minutes, 1964

Jim Andelin, the voice of the Santa Fe passenger service, narrates a talk to the passenger service staff on the prospects for the coming business year of 1964

Along the Santa Fe Trail, 26.12 minutes, ca. 1950s

Film that advertises the beauty of the American Southwest and the convenience of Santa Fe's passenger service to this area of the country

Tape 2:

Steam and Diesels, Argentine, 8:48 minutes, ca. 1950s

Footage of steam and diesel locomotives side by side, includes the restored Cyrus K. Holliday, Blue Goose, and numerous late model steam and early model diesel locomotives.

Southern California Holiday, 24.35 minutes, 1950s

Illustrates the theme of vacationing in sunny Southern California and using the Santa Fe railroad system to travel there. Also known by the title of "Welcome to Southern California."

Fresh for Your Health, 25.10 minutes, ca. 1956

Advertises the many advantages Santa Fe provides to shippers of perishable goods.

Tape 3:

Super Chief, 12.06 minutes, ca. 1948

Take the Super Chief from Chicago to Los Angeles and enjoy its affordable luxurious accommodations.

Navajo Sandpainters, 18.05 minutes, no date

Film documents the use of spiritual sandpaintings used by the Navajo Indians to cure ill of tribal members.

San Francisco, 30 minutes, 1957

Shows the city along the Bay through the eyes of a tugboat captain. Tells the story of San Francisco from 1770s to 1957.

Tape 4:

A Trap for Charlie Sommers, 15.15 minutes, 1976

Employee safety film demonstrating the proper way to operate the many features of freight cars.

At Your Service, 22 minutes, 1947

Illustrates the many technical advances that Santa Fe provided for patrons of their freight service.

Operation of Steam and Diesel Locomotives, 22.35 minutes, ca. 1940s

Silent film showing the proper operation of steam and diesel locomotives, pertains primarily to the operation of steam locomotives.

Tape 5:

Summertime in Yosemite, 10.17 minutes, no date

See the beauty and majesty of Yosemite National Park in this film about its scenery, wildlife and resort activities.

Loaded for War, 23 minutes, no date

This film shows the service of the nations' railroads to the defense efforts during WWII. It concentrates on the ATSF Railway.

Change is the Answer, 22 minutes, 1970s

Documents the "change" that the Santa Fe freight service was implementing to make its service to patrons more efficient and less expensive.

Tape 6:

Arizona Holiday, 9.38 minutes, 1940s

Take the Santa Fe Railway system to an Arizona Holiday. Features the scenic beauty of Arizona and its many tourist attractions, including the Grand Canyon, Monument Valley and Phoenix.

Barstow: Nerve Center in the Desert, 16 minutes, 1970s

The story of the classification yard and service center in the Mojave Desert near Barstow, California. Illustrates the greater efficiency that this center serves Santa Fe's freight customers.

All the Way, 32.18 minutes, 1960s

Illustrates the care and attention that Santa Fe provides to its shippers of goods "all the way" from Chicago to the California coast. Addresses advances in rolling stock construction and technical advances that provide reliable and safe transfer of perishables to and from markets.

Tape 7:

Grand Canyon, 16.06 minutes, ca. 1947

Tour the scenic beauty and natural wonder available to Santa Fe passengers during a trip to the Grand Canyon in northern Arizona. In "depth" look at the resorts, trail tours, ruins and scenic splendor of the Grand Canyon.

More Than Meets the Eye, 13.55 minutes, 1970s

Traces the construction of the railroad boxcar. Filmed at the car construction complex at Topeka, this film shows in detail the many steps and techniques used in producing a 60 foot insulated shock controlled boxcar.

Team Effort, 15.05 minutes, 1970s

Safety film illustrating proper techniques for the use of line maintenance equipment. Includes most hand and power tools used on the line to maintain stable and safe roadbed.

Assembling a Freight Train, 10.31 minutes, 1950s

Film created to show freight customers how a freight train is assembled and how this routine process makes prompt service more efficient. Emphasis is on the timely service to freight customers, while not compromising the safety of Santa Fe employees.

Tape 8:

Land of the Pueblos, 20.42 minutes, 1940s

Film showing the life and culture of the Pueblo Indians of northern New Mexico. Illustrates their customs and lifestyle, along with the scenic beauty of the country where they live.

The Better Way, 28.43 minutes, 1961

This film details a 44 mile line change in northern Arizona completed by AT&T. The line change was funded by the railway to increase the efficiency of its freight and passenger service.

Tape 9:

Indian Ceremonials, 18:46 minutes, 1954

Film showing many of the highlights of the Inter-tribal ceremonial held in August at Gallup, New Mexico.

Argentine Yard: Design for Tomorrow, 16 minutes, 1960s

Film illustrating the unique design systems utilized in the Argentine Yard. These advances computer assisted classification systems contribute greatly to the efficient service that the railway affords its customers.

Carlsbad Caverns, 9:22 minutes, 1945

Film highlighting the color, beauty and majesty of the underground caverns in southeastern New Mexico.

Tape 10:

Count the Seconds, 14 minutes, 1970s

Safety film for workers in classification yards.

Sports of the Southwest, 18 minutes, 1950s

Tour of the scenic beauty and sports facilities that are available in the Southwest part of the country. Produced by Dudley Pictures Corporation for Santa Fe.

Santa Fe Whittling, 12 minutes, 1970s

Film showing freight customers the advantages of sending their freight on the new Santa Fe Fuel Foilers.

Barstow Bolero, 12 minutes, 1976

Film showing the new Barstow classification yard and diesel locomotive shops.

Tape 11:

Santa Fe Commercials, 5 minutes, 1970s

Series of six commercials for Santa Fe Industries, Inc.

El Navajo, 42 minutes, 1950s

Film showing the life habits of the Navajo Indians.

The ATSF Railway motion picture film series is available directly through either a/v duplication purchase or interlibrary loan request. For questions concerning a/v services, please contact the following KSHS staff member:

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