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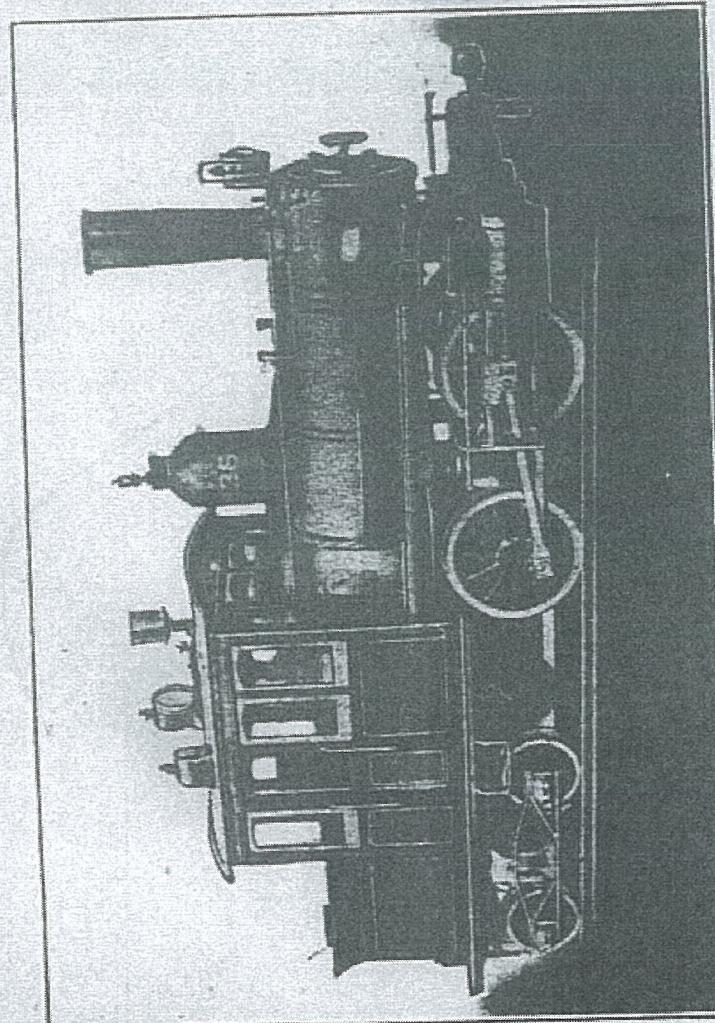
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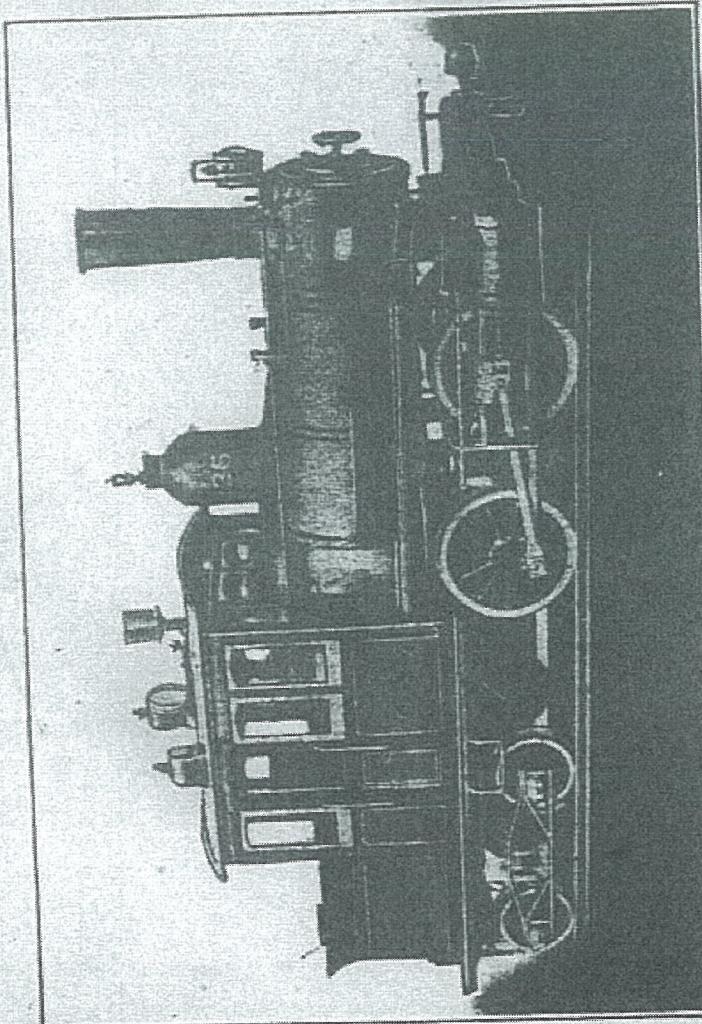


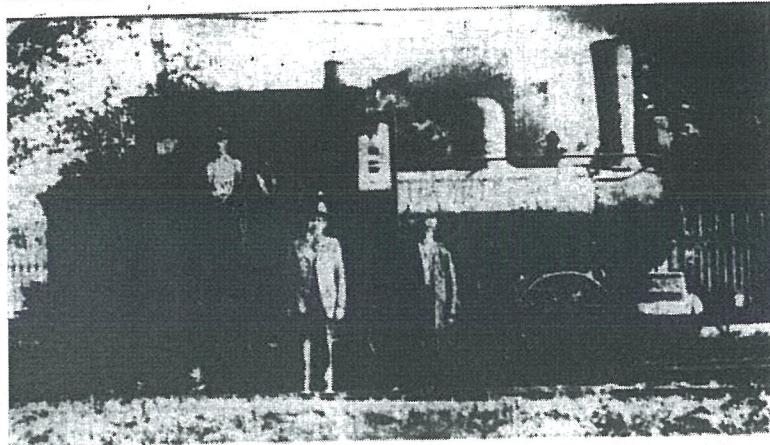
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## THE CURT

Imperial—"Som About"—1:23.  
"Crime Bait" 6, 8:30.  
Loew's—"Teen" — 9:15.  
4:42, 7:05, 9:30.  
Uptown — "16" 1:55, 3:55, 5:30.  
Shaw's—"Mr. I" 2:30, 4:45, 7:30.  
Eglinton—"Salv" 3:20, 6, 8:40.  
"Last Plane King"—2, 4:30.

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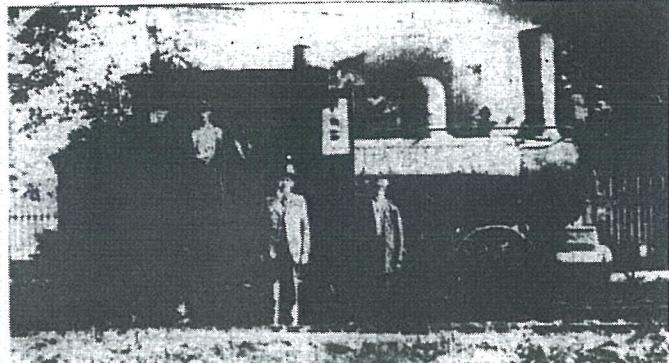
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Fundamentals of Cost Accounting—Intermediate.

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Word comes from London that W. A. Kardash and Arthur N. Evans have had their radio monthly in connection with North American premieres "Yellow Canary," which George recently completed in London with Richard Greene.

Looks like MGM is trying to start a bull market in used writers. Studio has come out with a Prize Book Plan means that two lucky aut could receive as much as \$600 for their work. This means contrast that the studio would