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A VIEW FROM THE CAB

There is a saying that goes....."if you are getting bored thinking things are staying the same, stick around, because change is inevitable". Or something like that. That is certainly true if you consider the news we have had this past month.

Our landlord has a potential client who wants to lease our current building. In fact, the client is our nextdoor neighbor, the Contractors Supply business to our north. They need our building and the U-store building behind us. I will spare you the reasons for this. There is a good news side of this. Our landlord is offering us the larger, cream-colored building with the blue roof next to us in the same parking lot. This is a much older building and has been the home of several businesses over the years, from a hardware store to a church.

The building needs a lot of retro-fitting to meet our requirements, but we can lease it for the same monthly rent and we will have nearly 3,000 Sq. Ft. extra under our roof! This will mean we won't need to rent the three U-store lockers we use now for storage. It also gives us an opportunity to extend our lease under favorable terms. The landlord will put in a new HVAC unit in the front room, and smaller electric Heat-pump type units in the rest of the space. The front room is 40 by 70 feet and will house the new G scale layout and the O scale display, and possibly the N scale layout also. The back rooms include a Large sales area which can serve dual purpose as a meeting area, and the second back room will house the HO and S gauge layouts. There is a separate area we can designate as a work room.

The members will need to vote on this move, but most of our board members have already shown support for this move. The actual move won't happen until July-August time frame.

Several things to consider are being discussed among the various members of each Display Gauge. O gauge is thinking of accepting the offer of the Tom Mahler layout, where we packed- up the train collection for auction two summers ago. The layout is large, but could be modified to fit our available space in the new building.

Along with this news, we have also been busy with donations. A huge G scale collection from a family in Dover was Collected by Doc and his team this past week, and they are off to Suburban DC to collect a large HO display and remove it and the trains.

So, try to keep up.... Keep watching your E-mails for more details as we step through another busy year for the Delaware SeaSide Railroad Club.



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HAPPY ST. PATTY'S DAY- TRAVELING BY TRAIN IN IRELAND



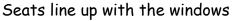
A Dublin to Cork express train boarding at Heuston station



First class seats, 1+2 across car width.



An InterCity railcar from Dublin arrived at Limerick.





SOME IRISH THEMED MODEL TRAINS :

An Enterprise train.

Standard class on the Enterprise.



MTH 30-7887 Irish Green Ale Modern Reefer Car



From Irish Railway Models - NIR 101 / DL Class - Hunslet



Lionel #6-9845 Baileys Cream Reefer



Bachman Irish Train Set