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OAKLAND, CALIF. The West Coast is poppin' with enthusiasm and blowing off steam. It's happened—first time in NMRA History—the 1947 Convention will go out to the Eastbay Club who really worked hard to get the clear signal! These boys are one of the most active groups of railroad fans in the country and well deserve this distinction. Working like beavers, they prepared a "bang-up" campaign before going to the Detroit Convention, and really had the whole deal closed before even getting there. Jim Munson acted as their representative at the recent convention and both he and his boys came home with the bacon.

EASTBAY PREPARES FOR COVENTION

ACCORDING to Jack Collier, "Boss Man" of the Eastbay Society of Model Engineers, his gang is hard at work and doing a bang-up job to make a real success of the coming NMRA Convention.

While still subject to change, the schedule of events is roughly as follows: Thursday and Friday, August 14th and 15th, are Registration days. Saturday, August 16th, both the morning and afternoon will be given over to a tour of the Bay Cities, a real treat for the visiting rail fans. Saturday evening is the Banquet from 7 to 9 P. M. At 10 P. M., everybody will board a SP ferry boat for a tour of San Francisco Bay at its best. The hosts expect to have entertainment and refreshments aboard to further this event.

The following day, Sunday, August 17th, is Meeting Day, with a break in the middle for a barbecue. The Convention terminates with the close of this meeting. As Jack puts it, "*Short and sweet, but packed with activity!*"

The membership will then go on to Southern California, stopping at Santa Barbara for a short time and then into Los Angeles where the "southern gang" will carry on.