

Bob Schoppe grew up just outside of Philadelphia close to the Reading Railroad tracks. His interest in trains began in early childhood and unlike some folks, he "never grew out of it". During a career in Naval Aviation that spanned 27 years he was introduced to Colorado narrow gauge during a tour at U.S. Space Command in Colorado Springs in the early 1990's. After retiring from the Navy Bob joined the Denver South Park & Pacific Historical Society as a charter member in 1999 and resides in Fairplay. He is currently a commercial airline pilot with Frontier Airlines based in Denver. Education: BA in Business Management from Temple University and MBA from Webster University.

Left: Narrow Gauge train running the North Fork of the Platte Canyon in the late 1870s. Denver South Park & Pacific Credit Anonymous History - Denver South Park & Pacific

1873 Denver to Morrison leg

1878 Arrived Bailey

1879 Arrived Kenosha & Como

1881 Arrived Boreas Pass

1882 Breckenridge

1884 Arrived Leadville

1889 Became Denver, Leadville & Gunnison

1898 Became Colorado & Southern

1937 Last run through Bailey of #9

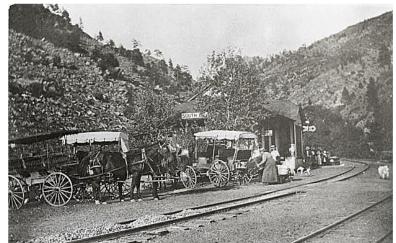
1938 Railroad tracks removed



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South Platte Depot near Historic South Platte Hotel

Historic South Platte Hotel in 2005



Engine number 9 passing near Bailey.

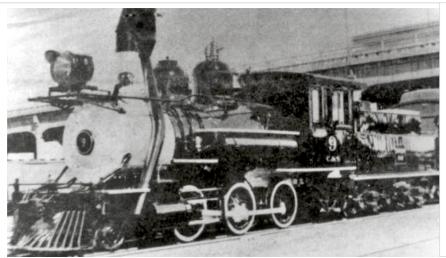


Photo to left: Engine number 9

Photo to right: Circa 1912. Colorado Midland at Florissant.

Left to right: ? Howarth, Charlie Crist, Frank Malone, Tubby Zimmitt?, Ollie Quist, Dan De Groot, Frank Baker.

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