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A little old train - 100 years old in fact - chugged over the Milwaukee Road tracks on a five-mile run from Milwaukee (Wis.) to Wauwatosa (Wis.) November 20, 1950 on the railroad's one hundredth birthday.

The brightly polished steam locomotive and two small day coaches with letter boards reading "Milwaukee & Mississippi Rail Road" - the original name of the Milwaukee Road - were used in a re-enactment of the first run which occurred November 20, 1850.

Byron Kilbourn, first president of the railroad, Solomon Juneau, described in history books as Milwaukee's first citizen, and many others were depicted in pageantry prior to departure from the passenger station which was gaily decorated for the occasion.

Upon its return from Wauwatosa, carrying the mayor and other distinguished persons, the little old train was met in the station by a shining new Hiawatha speedliner drawn by a giant Diesel electric locomotive.

State and city officials, railroad directors and officers viewed the meeting of the old and the new from a specially constructed reviewing stand. The road's Choral Club of 50 mixed voices sang, and the Hiawatha service club employes' 55-piece band played as the road opened its second century of service.

A luncheon meeting, attended by more than 800, was sponsored by the Milwaukee Association of Commerce, at which the mayors of Wauwatosa and Milwaukee, officers of the Association, Milwaukee Road board chairman Leo T. Crowley and president John P. Kiley spoke briefly.

Now grown to nearly 11,000 miles, the Milwaukee Road operates in 12 states.

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