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Welcome to the first issue of **THE BN EXPEDITER**, the official publication of the **Friends of the Burlington Northern Railroad** (formerly the BN Historical Society). The old Historian and newsletter have been combined, the society has a new name, but the purpose is just the same - to gather, preserve and share information about the history and current operation of the Burlington Northern Railroad.

Given that this is Volume 1, Number 1, we decided to grace the cover with a photo of the BN-1, Burlington Northern's Executive F9A-2, as it appeared in Spokane on March 26, 1992 at the downtown depot after bringing in a shipper's special from Whitefish. For the record, it began service as NP #7002C in 1954, became BN #9800, then #766 after being regeared for freight operation, and then spent 8 years as rotary snowplow power unit #972573 before being rebuilt in West Burlington as BN-1. It is now used for directors specials, inspection trains, and other public relations activities. (Photo by Robert C. Del Grosso)

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