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Joe Marci gave an excellent prayer and led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. Ralph Pedersen took President Bob Hugo's place at the helm today and exhibited good qualities of leadership in Bob's absence.

Of Guests there were none today, except for our speaker, Ed Ritz. *

Joe Marci reminded us to register for the Colorado-Wyoming Convent, by 7/15 . Joe still has some registration forms. It would behoove all planning to attend the convention (Aug. 15-18) to get those forms in by the 15th of July, since registration will cost you more if you don't! Joe also mentioned that some members still haven't paid their dues and appear to be taking "evasive action".

Greg Hurd announced the coming of another Train Show to be held on August 11 near the intersection of I-70 and I-225.

Paintathon - Still set for August 17. Clean those brushes.

Monday, the 29th, is the date set for Tri-Star Baseball (hit, pitch and run).

The Annual Swimming Party will be held at the Hampden Heights Swim Club from 7 to 11 . (P.M.) on my brother's birthday, July 19.

The next Board Meeting will be held on Sunday, July 21 at Bob's house. It begins at 7:00 PM.

*Sorry, I failed to mention that Tom Evans, Jr. was our guest today.

Today's Program - Ed Ritz presented a program about Colorado Water Alternatives of the Future. At the present time supply and demand are fairly equal. By the year 2010 the Denver Metro area will be facing a critical shortage of water as a result of accelerated population growth. In 1986 no additional taps are expected to go in. The Bureau of Reclamation is expected to come out with its study of water supply facts and recommendations and has spent already between 22 and 25 million dollars in such effort. In March of 1985 a study was completed by the Army Corps of Engineers indicating what direction current water alternatives might be available to our Metropolitan Denver area in the future to keep up with what will be a very large demand for water. Items seriously looked at at the present time are: conservation in the central Platte River basin, non-structural objects such as the William Forks, Green Mountain, and Windy Gap and other potential water source areas - Two Forks, Eagle Piney, and East Gore areas are being considered. Ed said that Green Mountain seems to offer the best source for future development. The Corps of Engineers is now analyzing the impact of a number of different scenarios. Wells, ground water, and changes in the Colorado River compact that would leave more of the river's water within the boundaries of Colorado are also the subjects of study and evaluation. Thank you, Ed, for giving us a view of what some of the problems and possibilities are. It does seem that Colorado can develop ways to make better use of our water resources (like turning off the irrigation systems in the city's parks when its raining, maybe a few more hydro-electric dams, and an aggressive stance by our elected officials, Senators and Congresspersons, in-state and in Washington, D.C. to retain the water we need for future development. How about a Lake Powell-type tourist project to save our water from slipping down the Grand Canyon to Southern California and its sprawling populace. Let them eat cake! Really, now, if we were bordered by the Pacific Ocean, wouldn't we find a

cost-effective way to convert salt water into drinkable water for Colorado. Fly over the area west of Hoover Dam and look at all the green golf courses being irrigated by Colorado water. And it wasn't always the people out there that were placing a tag on Southern California as the land of "fruits and nuts." Ever give careful consideration as to why they have free collegiate education for all their children, or why USC or why UCLA always beat CU, CSU or any other school of Mile-Higher education. Think about it real hard, and the answer will hit you in the face like a cherry pie! Colorado water. If we had any brains, we'd patent it and sell it to the highest bidder.

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DOWN THE LINE -

July 19 Lois Grote - Astrology

July 26 Nick Arnett - When You Can't Laugh,
 You've Lost Everything

August 2 Clem Stainhowe - Lifetime of Sight

August 4 Counting Laps - Celebrity Leukemis Swimathon

August 9 Andre Pasque School

August 15-18 COLO-WYO CONTVENT in COLO SPGS

August 23 Ed Fogel - Municipal Bonds

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*	Every FRIDAY morning at 7:00 A.M.	*
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