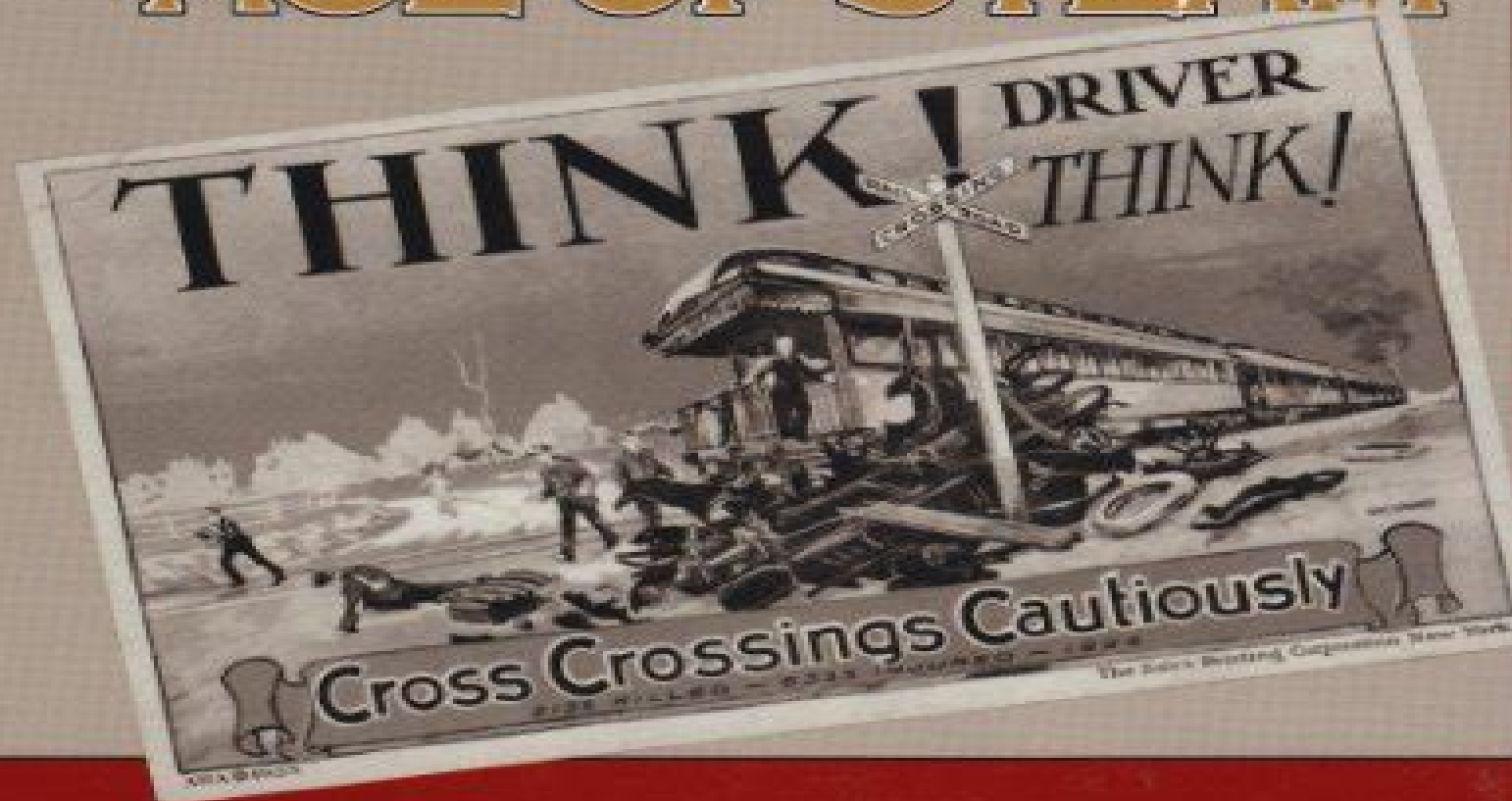


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## **Railroad Postcards In The Age Of Steam:**

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when they sold tickets planned travel itineraries and reported freight and express shipments Additionally their first hand knowledge of Morse code made them the most informed in town But as times changed so did the role of and the need for the station agent Beautifully illustrated with dozens of vintage photographs The Station Agent and the American Railroad Experience brings back to life the day to day experience of the station agent and captures the evolution of railroad operations as technology advanced History News ,1997 *Railroad Depots of Michigan* David J. Mrozek,2008 Michigan has a rich railroad history which began in November 1836 when the Erie and Kalamazoo Railroad initiated service between Toledo Ohio and Adrian Michigan That first Erie and Kalamazoo train consisted of stagecoach like vehicles linked together and pulled by horses Steam locomotive hauled trains were still eight months in the future As these new transportation entities grew and prospered they put in place more elaborate station buildings in the communities they served By the end of the 19th century some of the larger railroad stations being built in Michigan were works of art in their own right But whatever size and form they took railroad stations were uniquely styled buildings and there was generally no mistaking them for anything else This volume portrays some of Michigan s finest railroad stations during their heyday in the second decade of the 20th century

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the midwestern railroad has left important legacies Today forty years after becoming a fallen flag carrier key components of the former Wabash remain busy rail arteries and terminals attesting to its historic value to American transportation

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