



quite a crowd, as DIYers from around the country reveal one-of-kind farm equipment and the stories behind them.

But that is just the beginning. There is literally four days' worth of ground and a hundred and some years to cover. "There is always something new going on in every area. Our members are always devoting their time to something new," Peter Mandt, WMSTR President, mentioned.

So let's jump the 353 Alco Locomotive and take the two-mile loop back in time through the billowing stack of smoke pouring from the impressive Montana Boiler that provides steam to the Pabst, Corliss, and Soo engines, as well as the "Dozens of other steam traction engines, stationary engines and miniatures" that carry and

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*The 150 Horse Power CASE steam engine (pictured behind the lineup) is somewhat like the story of the Titanic. It was built as the largest steam traction engine of its time, but all we have left are the stories and a few pictures.*

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