



# Caboosing with Hap Manitt...

...the Museum's Diary

August 21, 22, 1993 Feather River Railroad Days took place on these days with great success.

August 23, 1993 David Dewey sanded exterior of engine 925C while Larry Hanlon worked on cleaning side of engine 805A. The shop was put back in working order by Gordon Wollesen, Ken Thompson, Ed Crary, Vic Neves, Dave Anderson and Ken Roller. John Martino worked on painting SN caboose.

August 24, 1993 Norm Holmes and Ken Thompson went to Delleker to pick up a crossing diamond and other lumber mill railroad goods. Brian Challender and Justin Brewer studied blueprints on electrical system of engine 2873 to try to fix oscillating light.

August 26, 1993 Brian Challender and Justin Brewer moved machinery out of machine shop so they could clean the floor and paint it, which they then did.

August 27, 1993 Clyde Lippincott and Spencer Pattison worked on windows of caboose SN 1632.

August 29, 1993 Brian Challender and Wendi Hook cleaned and straightened up the shop area after the floor had been painted. Hank Stiles serviced engine O&NW 4.

August 30, 1993 John Walker, Clyde Lippincott, Spencer Pattison and John Martino all worked on caboose SN 1632.

September 2, 1993 Gordon Wollesen worked on electrical work and locomotive batteries. His work on these things was ongoing.

September 3, 1993 David Dewey painted engine 925C.

September 5, 1993 Dave Anderson worked on engine FR&W 16 and on forms for new battery house.

September 8, 1993 Ken Roller painted displays for Loyalton Timberfest; Steve Habeck installed signs on equipment to

be displayed there.

September 14, 1993 Vic Neves and Norm Holmes worked on switching cars in preparation for Railfan Day. They were joined later by Wayne Monger and numerous other people who worked for several days.

September 18, 1993 Railfan Day took place successfully on this day.

September 19, 1993 After several hours of switching, the yard was put back in order after Railfan Day.

September 21, 1993 Merrill Turpin worked on replacing glass in caboose Silver Palace. His work on replacing glass was ongoing for several days.

September 24, 1993 Norm Holmes and Brian Challender worked on engines SP 3191 and 3413 preparing them to be started.

September 25, 1993 Dave Anderson, Julie Anderson and Clyde Lippincott worked on wooden forms for foundation of new battery house.

October 3, 1993 Wayne Monger and Bob Lindley gave engine O&NW 4 a final inspection before it was sent to the Loyalton Timberfest.

October 9, 1993 David Dewey and Clyde Lippincott worked on metal work on nose of engine 805A.

October 16, 1993 Norm Holmes and Clyde Lippincott left for Montana to load Ingersoll-Rand locomotive for transit to Portola.

October 26, 1993 Ken Roller did track work on track 7.

October 27, 1993 Bruce Cooper, Sue Cooper and Linda Lippincott prepared for a luncheon being put on for the Plumas County Supervisors. After the feast, the participants had their pictures taken operating locomotives.

## DONATIONS

Marcia Boswell from Happy Hunting Antiques in Blairsden donated an old WP caboose stove; Rick Santina gave us a large number of model railroad magazines; Ken Andrews brought up a new track level purchased at an auction that no one knew what it was used for; Peter Snell gave us a number of Alco, GE and Caterpillar manuals; John Kirkland donated 5 historic Baldwin locomotive builders plates; Bert St. Vincent shipped 3 boxes of Baldwin and other locomotive books including the original purchase order for our McCloud No. 30; and Larry Meeker donated a can of date nails. These were used by some railroads to indicate when a cross tie was installed to be able to see how long they lasted.

## RAFFLE DRAWING

We are happy to announce that Harold Kroeger from Oroville, CA was the winner of the all-expense-paid excursion on the Nevada Northern, October 30-31, 1993. The raffle brought in \$2,246 for our building fund.

Our 6th annual railroad trip raffle drawing has been going very well. We have deposited \$1,400 in our special account so far. This is an exceptional value for our raffle this year made possible through the generosity of Trains Unlimited Tours and Rocky Mountain Rail Tours. If you have not sent in your ticket stubs with your contribution, please do so and if you would like more tickets we will be glad to send them to you. They sell for \$5 each or 5 for \$20.

## A SUMMARY OF 1993

By FRRS Trainmaster, Jim Gidley, Sr.

1993 has been a very busy year. Good publicity about the FRRS is getting out by magazines, TV, trade shows, and by word of mouth. There is much here for the public to see. Cars and engines are being rebuilt and painted. The visiting public, state and railroad officials have commented to us about the safe and professional job we are doing.

In the operating department, we have a new rule book, a service requirement book, and a new color of operating department hats and tee shirts.

Forty-one (41) different people worked in the operating department in 1993 and put in 2,002 total hours of train service.

I want to thank all the members who so willingly worked at the museum. Please keep in mind that the museum will be needing a lot of extra help for the "Circle the Wagons" celebration in July of 1994.

Thanks to you all,  
Jim Gidley, Sr.  
Trainmaster

## TRAIN SHOW

The FRRS will have a table at the Great American Train Show in San Jose at the Fairgrounds on December 11 & 12, 1993.