

FUND RAISING by Chris Skow

1984 was a very good year for the **FRRS** and the Portola Railroad Museum. We keep growing both in equipment to display and the items we offer for sale. Our current list now offers over 40 items. We have several new items which I have listed,

1. Feather River Rail Society Buttons
has our emblem/red feather @ \$1.00
2. Check Book Covers and Note Pad @\$3.98
Five styles, WP logo, Cal Zephyr logo, Cal Zep Photo, UP photo A-B-B set F3's and UP Challengers.
3. Credit Card Wallet, two styles, Cal Zep logo, or UP logo for \$4.29 each.
4. T.V. Program Covers in Cal Zep photo or WP logo for \$2.18
5. Pen Set with one pen Cal Zephyr photo \$4.50
6. New Mug, UP 6946 in color, @ \$5.00

When ordering remember to include .75¢ per item for postage with a maximum of \$2.25 per order. Cal residents add 6% sales tax.

We have several other items that will be added to our ever growing list of railroad items. A new catalog will be sent out to everyone this Spring. We want to start offering books and HO rolling stock and Locomotives painted in Western Pacific. We had total sales of \$10,645.97 in 84 from our list of items for sale. Not too bad for our 1st year in the mail order business and setting up tables at railroad shows. Every penny helps to repaint another loco or car for the museum. I want to thank each one of you for your support in 1984. I know we will do even better in 85. The Western Pacific F7A 921 coffee mug has been a real money maker for the society. Three weeks after these beautiful custom made mugs went on sale we had sold all 47 doz. We now have our second order of 921 mugs in stock. The new UP 6946 mug which is also custom made for us is now in stock. We plan on having a entire set of coffee mugs made up in all the locomotives we have at the museum. A new mug will come out about every four to five months. This will be an on-going program so start your **FRRS** mug collection now.



**Western Pacific
Railroad Company**
"THE FEATHER RIVER ROUTE"

NEW ADDRESS

Our Society now has a new post office box No 8. P.O. Box 1104 was the personal box used by the Holmes, but our society has now grown large enough where it needs its own address. We wanted a number that would have some meaning to the society, so when Norm went to the Post Office to apply for a new box he found that No 8 had just been vacated that morning. What better number than 8 as much equipment ends in 8 and the Clover Valley steamer No 8.

1985 DUES 1985 Dues have you paid yours?????
The **FEATHER RIVER RAIL SOCIETY** was formed in Feb 1983. The beginning group consisted of 50 Charter and 3 Honorary members. In just a years time we number 275! We have gained 66 new members for 1985 alone. While the majority of our members are located in California, we have members in 17 other states and 4 countries: Argentina, Canada, Switzerland and New Zealand. That information, and the fact that 133 members have paid the 1985 membership dues, is the good news. The bad news is: 142 members have not sent in their 1985 dues-as of Jan 15. If you haven't sent in your '85 dues **PLEASE DO SO TODAY!!!!**

Interestingly, several members sent in gift memberships along with their own renewal dues. One member, Peter Arnold, sent in 6 giftmemberships. This is a great gift idea for family and friends and helps out the society. Special gift cards with the donors name and the membership cars enclosed will be sent to each recipient. Remember to include the **FRRS** dues and Donations when preparing your tax returns. **WITH YOUR HELP WP LIVES!!!**
Bev Moore, membership chairperson

MEMBERSHIP

If you have renewed your membership for '85 or have recently joined our society you should have received a new membership card. If not please contact our membership chairperson Bev Moore and complain. We wish to thank Bob Erbeck of Archaic Press in Quincy for printing the cards for us at no charge.

CONTRIBUTIONS

We received a very generous contribution from Robert Dobbins, and inasmuch as we have wanted to buy an air compressor for museum use for some time, we now have one. Hap Manit found a gasoline engine powered compressor unit mounted on a trailer that was for sale by UP engineer Bill Lindley. Bill lowered the price to equal our available funds and threw in an air hose and paint pot. Also bought was a five gallon can shaker for mixing paint. This summer should see lots of use for this equipment. We still need a paint gun. Other contributions to our general fund were received from Dave McClain and Tom Yagerhofer. Window contributions were received from Eastern Plumas Chamber of Commerce, Peter Arnold, Andre Dubs, Fred Klyver, Robert Wilson, Wayne Monger, Lynn Powell, Harold Dague and Jim Atkins.

SHOPPING LIST WANTED ITEMS

In order to continue our restoration and repair work we are in need of welding equipment, both acetone and electric, a steam cleaner, sand blasting unit, a lathe, drill press, etc, etc...