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News

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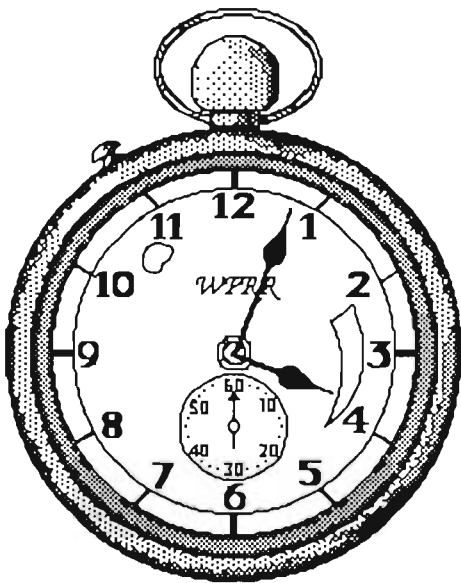
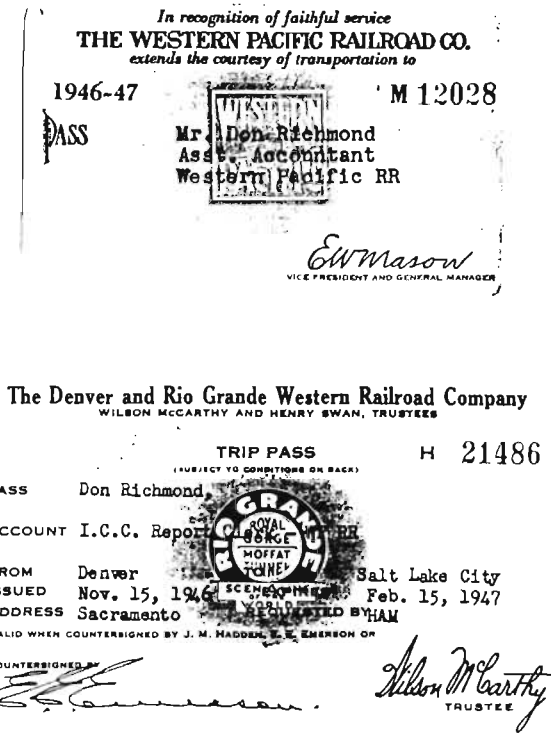
Engine No. 8 has been drained and "bedded down" for the winter, but plans are under way for the 1989 season. Arrangements are being made with the FRRS for us to operate #8 on a regular schedule starting in May. This will make it possible for anyone travelling a long distance to plan their trip to see operating steam.

Jim Boynton has had much success in locating those "hard to find" parts for the engine and tender thanks to the generosity of several railroad museums. The tender work holds top priority for the new season and Jim Boynton will be upgrading the air brake system. John Marvin is also making plans for the completion of the woodwork in the cab.

In November 1988, Engine No. 8 was eighty-one years old. The engine arrived new at Truckee in 1907 and bore the names Sierra Nevada Wood and Lumber Co. 8, Hobard Estate Co. 8, Hobart Southern RR 8, Clover Valley Lumber Co. 8 and since 1958, The Feather River Shortline 8. A special gift for the occasion was the donation of a WP headlight and flag brackets from the Ted Benson family. Jim Boynton will use the headlight as a backup light on the tender. Engine 8 spent all her years within a hundred miles' radius of her point of arrival and is indeed "history in action".

WP Railroadiana Donated

Below are reproductions of some of the passes donated by Mr. Don Richmond, a retired WP employee. Don started work for the Tidewater Southern in March 1930 and retired from the WP in 1975. Among other things, Don also donated a WP steam engine headlight, which is awaiting display space.



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