

FALL WORK PARTY

Our fall work party, Sept. 23-24 accomplished much with few. Due to lack of much advance notice (some members received their Train Sheet after the event), the turnout was small. However most of the work we wanted to do did get done. Brian Challenger, Gary Cousin and Hap Manitt replaced all but 5 remaining broken windows, Gordon Wollesen and his kids worked on the roof leaks (they are almost eliminated - the leaks not the kids), Bruce Cooper and Gary Cousin built porch roofs over the north side doorways, Dean Hill and Norm Holmes built shelves in a box car to better store our Alco & GE parts, Barbara Holmes rearranged the gift shop store room (Hap & Barb also waited on gift shop customers), Kent Stephens put back engine rocker arm covers on 6946 that some curious visitor removed and along with Mark French did other work. Sue Cooper cooked hamburgers and hot dogs for lunch, provided a chicken dinner for the evening meal, biscuits and gravy for Sunday breakfast and leftover chicken for lunch. Pat Cousin and Diane Wollesen helped Sue. The food was enough for one to come for let alone the camaraderie of working with fellow members - getting things done. This will be an annual event - the last weekend of Sept. plan for it next year.

AROUND THE MUSEUM

Ken Roller has completed Rip 4 track. This 200' + storage track now has 4 - 50' box cars on it. This one man track gang does nice work. Bruce Cooper has completed the roofing on the porches, Gordon Wollesen continues to hunt down the few remaining water leaks in the roof and Hap Manitt finished the window replacements. The locomotives have been located so as to be available to power for battery charging. We are now ready for winter!

AUCTION

We have a copy of John Ryczkowski's Western Pacific Pictorial, a 372 page, 1000 photo classic, also a copy of David Myrick's Railroads of Northern California & Eastern Nevada Vol. 1. Both books are new and are out of print. The auction will be conducted in the same manner as Colorado Railroad Museum does its successful auctions: books will be sold to highest bidder at one dollar over the second highest bidder price. Deadline for bids will be December 31, 1989.

GIFT SHOP NEWS

We now have a good supply of WP & UP sewed on herald caps @ \$6.50. Most colors available. We have Nylon caps with WP heralds in silver, black, lt. blue, royal blue, navy and tan @ \$6.95.

Our popular nylon jackets are now available with a UP herald on the back. sizes M-L-XL-XXL, blue or yellow \$29.95 (XXL \$30.95)

Brass tank cars, WP 1201 series. \$95.00 K or AB brake system.

New T Shirts: a new design has been developed which shows a WP 4-6-0 going through a bridge (black & green), with Portola Railroad Museum in red. This is on a lite blue shirt. Sizes Children 2-4, 6-8, 10-12, adult S, M, L, XL & XXL @ \$7.95, \$8.95 and \$9.95 resp.

Our navy blue T Shirts with FRRS/WP logo are now also available in green. The FRRS/WP logo is black, the feather gold. Size S, M, L, XL @ \$8.95. We also have our Portola Railroad Museum FRRS caps in green or orange @ \$4.95.

Postage is \$1.50, CA res. add tax.

Portola Railroad Museum Visitor Guide: 12 pages, 5 1/2 x 8 1/2 folder listing all museum equipment, map of museum and mile-by-mile guide to Feather River Canyon. 50¢ + 45¢ postage. Send us a dollar, we'll mail one to you.

We will try to get a new catalog in the mail this month.

RENT A LOCOMOTIVE

We are offering an opportunity to operate one of our diesel locomotives for one hour for only \$60.00. You will be instructed in its operation and be supervised. Operation will be back and forth around the balloon trackage. This is your chance to be an engineer for an hour. For more information call Bruce Cooper 916-832-4532 or the museum.

NAME TAG

If any of our members would like a personalized name tag with their name and Feather River Rail Society on same, send \$4.50 to Pat Cousin, 855 Mission Sierra Ct., Redding, CA 96003.

CORRECTION

We never make mistakes, however, the cover photo on issue No. 38, WP 486, was not taken at Keddie by Chris Skow, but taken at Quincy, Jct., by Vickie Krois. Sorry.