

Caboosing

with Hap Manit...

...the museum's diary

June 9, 1992 Ken Roller worked on track extension near Millward Switch. His work on this track was ongoing.

June 10, 1992 Two Portola School classes of 40 each toured the museum and went for train rides.

June 11, 1992 Norm Holmes worked on backrest of engine 512 and charged batteries on Burro crane.

June 13, 1992 Dave Bergman and Bruce Cooper repaired the bell on engine 512 which was loose, and then repaired a water leak in engine 921D. The annual membership meeting was held on this day with all in attendance enjoying a nice BBQ steak and chicken dinner provided by Sue Cooper, cooked by Bruce Cooper and served by June Anderson. Gordon Wollesen was presented an award of appreciation for his continuing work at the museum.

June 14, 1992 Bruce Cooper rebuilt the master cylinder on the fork lift. David Dewey and Kent Stephens worked on new museum entrance display.

June 16, 1992 Norm Holmes worked on installation of new soda pop machine. A writer from Sunset Magazine took an engine ride with Bruce Cooper and they will write a story this fall about the museum.

June 20, 1992 Hank Stiles worked on governor of engine 501.

June 23, 1992 38 people from Feather River College Elderhostel rented locomotives and toured the museum.

June 24, 1992 A group from Red Rock Touring Club arrived with 33 cars all of which were 1913 vintage and older. They each took a turn at operating a locomotive with Bruce Cooper.

June 27, 1992 Jim Gidley, Sr. and Mark French worked on installing a new wall in the shop area.

June 28, 1992 Dan Ogle worked on the electrical system of engine 805A. Hank Stiles changed oil on engine 51.

June 30, 1992 Gordon Wollesen worked on installing loudspeakers and radios in operations room.

July 4, 1992 A delicious pancake breakfast was served by Skip Englert, Barbara Holmes and Bruce Cooper.

July 6, 1992 Ken Roller and Marvin Pitts shoveled ballast between ties on track 8 for 6 hours on this day.

July 8, 1992 16 people from the Feather River Prep School toured the museum, had a cab ride, and ate lunch in the

dining car.

July 11, 1992 Jim Gidley, Sr. and Pete Langdon worked on wood working shop and welding shop walls. Hank Stiles worked on air leaks and lubrication of engine 512. Kent Stephens and David Dewey worked on repairing the ticket booth. Vic Neves made sound recordings of our trains passing through the yard.

July 16, 1992 The westbound UP steam excursion train arrived on this day.

July 17, 1992 The UP steam excursion train was in Portola all day. The FRRS section of the concession car Sherman Hill was staffed by Dave Anderson, Julie Anderson, Gayle McClain, Renee McComb, Mardi Langdon and Pat Cousin. The UP Steam crew was treated to a delicious supper prepared by Julie Anderson, Dave Anderson, Lynn Hanlon, Gayle McClain, Renee McComb and Pat Cousin.

July 18, 1992 The UP steam train left Portola and headed to Sacramento.

July 27, 1992 Bill Evans cut and removed weeds and removed trash along the entrance to the parking lot. The UP steam train arrived in Portola having come up the Feather River Canyon. Mardi Langdon, Julie Anderson and Melony Evans prepared a nice supper for the UP steam crew.

July 28, 1992 The UP steam train left Portola and headed to Winnemucca.

July 29, 1992 The UP steam train left Winnemucca and headed to Elko. The FRRS crew then returned to Portola by bus.

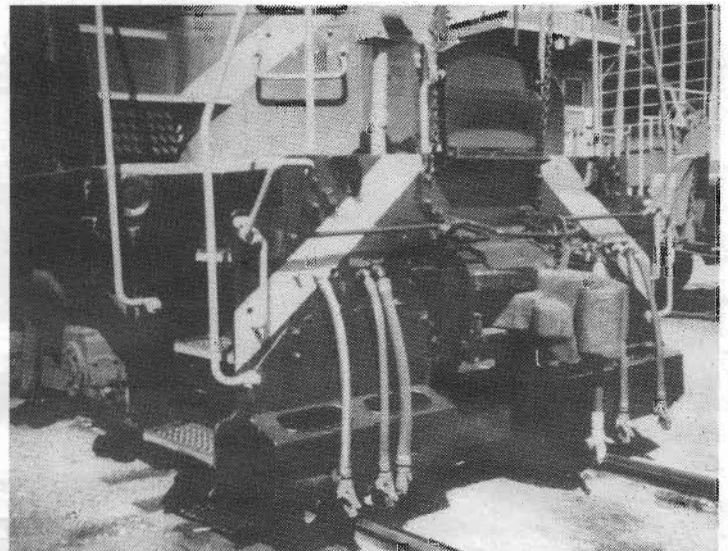
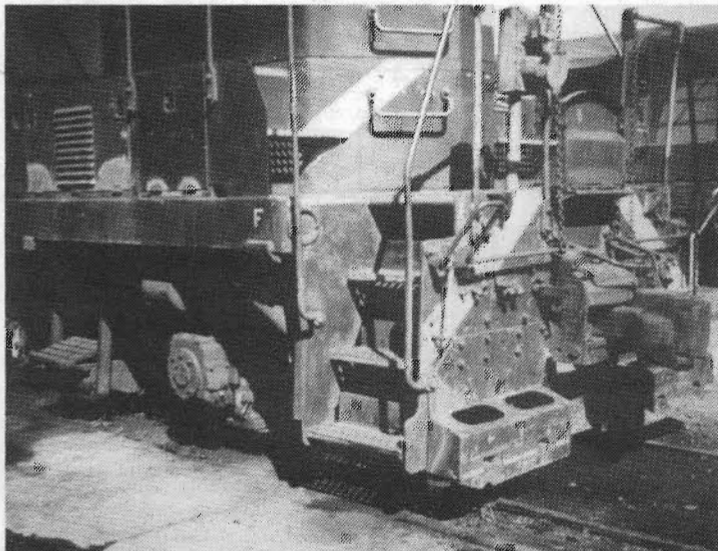
July 30, 1992 Wayne Monger and Lynda Monger cleaned up the picnic grounds in preparation for the Motorcar Races.

August 1, 1992 The Track Motorcar Races took place on this day with a record number of entrants.

August 6, 1992 Gordon Wollesen supervised the major brush clearing operation near the balloon track which had been going on for several days.

August 7, 1992 Hap Manit took the museum cat Bandit to the vet for routine shots which were paid for by cat fund donations.

August 9, 1992 Dan Ogle worked on engine 921 loading problems. He and Norm and Wayne Monger worked on engines O&NW 3 & 4 to prepare them for starting.



Here are before and after photos of engine 707's repainting job which was done by Norm Holmes in preparation for its journey to Sacramento. Both photos by Norm Holmes.