

Restoration Report

By David Dewey

The calendar promises that spring is here, but the weather still says winter! As soon as it warms up in Portola, the Restoration Department wants to gear up for a busy season. Western Pacific Locomotives 805A, 921D, 2001, and Sacramento Northern 146 are scheduled for work, ranging from touch-up to complete repainting.

The Car Department plans on working on the SN 1632 and 614 cabooses and painting the Tidewater Southern "cornucopia" box car.

All these projects need your help, be it moral support, to grinding rust or pushing a paint brush! Remember, when it's hot and sticky in the valley, Portola is only warm, with cool evenings -- a pleasant place to visit.

Progress has been made on 805A's windows. We now have window regulators for the cab windows and a windwing for the fireman's side. We still need an engineer's side wing and regulators for the door windows. If you know of any F's being scrapped, or parts laying about, let us know!

In the FRRS Gift Shop

We have just received a new book titled "Steam Under the Red Star," by Ron Ziel and Nils Huxtable. This beautiful hard cover book has 256 pages, color and black and white photos and covers communist countries that operated steam locomotives. Although not an American train book, it is very interesting and very well done. It is available through our gift shop for \$59.95 postpaid.

Being of Service

Recently we supplied "sounds" to two companies that wanted authentic early diesel sounds. The Lionel Corporation recorded sounds from 921D, 6860 and 512; Quiet Please recorded 512 and 1857. First generation diesel sounds: starting, revving up, air releases and horns, are getting increasingly difficult to find, and we are only too glad to help.

Board of Directors Election

Reminder...

Anyone who seriously wishes to run for one of four positions on the FRRS Board of Directors is to submit their name and a short resume about themselves (which will be printed on the ballots mailed to all eligible voters) to the Society, to be received no later than May 25, 1995. This resume must not be longer than 200 words.

All FRRS membership classes EXCEPT Associate are eligible to run for the Board and to vote in the election.

Ballots and several by-law change provisions will be mailed to all members who are eligible to vote.

The results will be tabulated at the Annual Membership Meeting, Saturday, June 24, 1995, at 7:30 PM in the Flannery Room at the Museum.

New Bus Service to Portola

Green Belt Stages, in cooperation with AMTRAK, now operates daily bus service between Reno, Nevada and Eureka, California.

10:10 AM	Reno	4:05 PM
11:10 AM	Portola	3:10 PM
11:50 AM	Quincy	2:30 PM
2:15 PM	Chico	11:55 AM
4:00 PM	Redding	10:05 AM
8:00 PM	Eureka	6:15 AM

When passengers wish to ride the bus withOUT riding an AMTRAK train, tickets may be purchased from the bus company, otherwise tickets may be purchased in combination with an AMTRAK ticket.