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"CALIFORNIA SOUTHERN FLYER" SUNDAY, OCTOBER 24, 1965

RHSofSD taken to the rails again for a full day of activities aboard our own charter train and a visit to the fast growing Orange Empire Trolley Museum at Perris, California. If you want a day of railroading, be on our train, if you enjoy hanging out of an open door baggage car and listening to the sounds of railroading, be on our train, if you wish to see a large collection of electric cars, ride the cars and thrill to the good old trolley days, be on our very special Santa Fe excursion train, SUNDAY, OCTOBER 24th, 1965.....

Leave San Diego at 6:15 A.M. Daylight Saving Time, the last weekend before we return to Standard Time. Our train arrives at Perris on the original old CALIFORNIA SOUTHERN line at 12:45 P.M. where we will be transported to the museum and streetcar rides.....

We depart Perris at 3:45 P.M. and reach San Diego at 6:15 P.M. Plan now to be with us and tell your friends about this one, we need a guarantee of 335 adult fares from San Diego. Brochures will be ready and mailed soon, they will be available at the October meeting.

Our train will have two open door baggage cars, one on the front and one on the rear. The well known and popular observation car, No. 1509 is not available for the trip. If ticket sales are good, we will use the new Canadian "Mountain Observation Car" owned by the Orange Empire Trolley Museum. The Del Mar Snack Car will be in the middle of the train with a full supply of Coffee and Donuts in the morning, a bunful of hamburgers and hotdogs, soda pop, beer, sandwiches, candy, etc. Coaches will be lightweight streamlined, air-conditioned.

Paid up members will have a reduction in fare, \$10.50 for adults (public fare \$10.95) and \$5.25 for children of family members. For members with a family fitting the public plan, 2 adults and 2 children, the fare will remain the same as advertised, \$30.00 package deal. The brochure does not show membership rates, so remember, if you are a paid up member in the RHSofSD, \$10.50 is the fare.

This trip is priced at a very close figure, we are trying to hold the line on price so every fare will be very important to the success of this excursion.

Railway Historical Society
of San Diego, Inc.-----
OCTOBER MEETING DATE:
- MONDAY the 4th -



Little "Willie Willie"
the famous ghost of Old Town welcomes you to his home at the WHALEY HOUSE, in the heart of Old Town, 2428 San Diego Avenue,
MONDAY EVENING, OCTOBER 4, 1965, 7:30 P.M.

Mr. & Mrs. James Reading, hosts.

You are invited to a very entertaining evening in this fine historic building, we are excited about this meeting, we are sure you will enjoy it.....BE THERE!

A tour of the Whaley House and a program in the old court room. Donations for the use of the house and tour will be greatly appreciated but not mandatory.

We urge everyone to attend this meeting to pay a visit to our own special job in restoring streetcar 54, right next to the Whaley House and the very interesting evening in the Whaley House.

BRING A FRIEND ALONG, the meeting is open to members and the public. See you there.
WHALEY HOUSE, OLD SAN DIEGO, MONDAY the 4th of OCTOBER.....Don't forget the date!

IT IS EARLY FOR CHRISTMAS PLANS....BUT-----

For an extended rail vacation it is just the right time to start planning.

Christmas Vacation In Old Mexico.....
Via Private Railroad Car, Cyrus K. Holliday.

If you can get two weeks off (the same as school vacation) between December 18, 1965 and January 3, 1966 and you would like to spend Christmas in Old Mexico.....AND do it in style in a luxurious private railroad car with all the comforts, then you had better contact RHSofSD 1st VP Jack Stodolle (one of the car owners) and start making plans to go on this interesting two week trip.

If this type of vacation interests you turn to page three for more details for this private car rail tour in Mexico.....

NEWSLETTER, Monthly publication of the Railway Historical Society of San Diego, Incorporated. (A non-profit California Corporation)

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Send news items in prior to the 20th of each month for use in the newsletter.

LOCAL RAILROADING NEWS Tuesday, Sept. 14th was the final day of the 1965 racing season at Del Mar and brought to a close the annual run of specials on the Santa Fe from L.A. The last good runs were on the Saturday trains, as many as 23 cars, the topper was Labor Day, two 23 car trains, plenty of switching to get things placed right after unloading..... Potash again became big tonnage in mid-Sept., local yards were overflowing with big and small covered hoppers. One afternoon a long string of empties (72) departed at about 4:30 P.M. after being dumped into a waiting ship, only to be replaced within a few hours with an inbound train of about 83 loads, seven of the big new type roadswitchers on the point. Between a heavy rash of potash shipments there was also some pellet loads to add to the port business from the S.D.M.E. The big flow of business to the bulk loader made railroading quite active for a few weeks.....The ruling to drop some of the Santa Fe trains between San Diego and Los Angeles has been held and all efforts to save them have ended. The new schedule went into effect on Sept. 29, 1965.

Northbound: #73 departs San Diego at 7:00 A.M.
#75 " " " " 1:00 P.M.
#77 " " " " 4:15 P.M.
Southbound: #74 arrives San Diego at 11:55 AM
#76 " " " " 2:55 P.M.
#78 " " " " 8:10 P.M.

(all times are Pacific Standard, add one hour for Daylight Time.)..... Since the new schedule went into effect the trains are now powered by two unit Alco "A" units, as they were some months ago prior to the change to single "A" power and delays, breakdowns, etc. Alco #51 returned for awhile after the race track train service as an "A" "B" set up..... 1950 series and 1400's have been more common lately on freight trains. Your editor has a new set of flood lights on the back porch for night viewing passing trains, freight engineers have been toot-tooting the diesel horns since being "lit up" as they pass by..... Alco #61 showed up recently freshly painted, most of the old passenger units are a bit on the dirty and need of paint side..... Saw the Grand Canyon recently, 6 GM units, two business cars, westbound at San Bernardino. The U.P. with 5 E-9's and 24 cars going east.

Send a card or pay a visit, Tom Hancock is in Paradise Valley Hospital, National City, Calif. Heart attack caused him to become bedded down, a visit or a few words would do a world of good.

SHORT ON SPACE THIS MONTH, busy working on the coming Perris excursion, are you going? Get your ticket orders in early to help assure us of membership backing and how hard we must go after ticket sales to put this trip over. If you all were as prompt as member John Cranston, we would be sold out. John sent in the first ticket order before we even got the brochures to the members! One is enclosed with this issue, order your tickets right away.

NEW MEMBERSHIP LIST ENCLOSED, it is as up to date as we know, if any addressees are wrong please drop us a card of correction.

WORK PARTY ON CAR 54, by Whaley House in Old Town, Saturdays. **WORK PARTY ON CAR 171**, at O.E.T. in Perris, weekend of Oct. 16 & 17. Contact 2nd VP Don Decker if you can help.

For the records, Don Decker was appointed to fill out the position of 2nd Vice-President after Walter Bilborth was forced to resign. Pacific Beach Model Railroaders Club 1 1/2" scale trackage originally to be laid at the Del Mar Fairgrounds has been sold to Harry Heas, an active live steam enthusiast. He had done a good deal of track work with the club members when track was being put down at the fair. He will have a complete live steam railroad soon in the southeast portion of San Diego. Harry has an operating 2-5-0 in 1 1/2" scale, 7 1/2" gauge. Future operations will be announced.

Fred Finks writes us from the new California Western "Super Skunk" steam train, seems he enjoyed the hostess more than the train!..... Mac and Ruby McNeary write as they wander back towards San Diego, due home soon. The Millers are back home, the Swaines and the Manns. Swaine and Mann showed pictures at the September meeting.

DO YOU WISH TO HELP ON THE O.E.T. EXCURSION? Contact Gorky Thomson if you wish to take part in running the special train. Car attendants, hosts and hostesses are needed. (276-3266)

SPECIAL.... There will be a band aboard the 1965 version of the "California Southern Flyer" playing snappy music and polkas in the open baggage car for dancing and your pleasure!! Be aboard the Perris excursion train 10/24/65. Don't forget the candy October meeting at the Whaley House, Monday-October 4th, 7:30 P.M. Car 14 almost ready for installation of the home built trucks, see it on the 4th of Oct. Volunteers needed to help clean up our car at Perris, seems the car is in operating shape but needs some cleaning, your help needed.