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R.H.S. of S.D. meets on the first Monday of every month- Santa Fe Depot, San Diego- 8:00 P.M.

June Meeting Notes.....

The June meeting was called to order at 8:00 P.M. on Monday, June 1st by 3rd V.P. Bill Snyder. In as much as a good percentage of the society officers were away on vacation or unable to attend the meeting, it was moved and seconded that the minutes of the past meeting be waived until the July meeting.....Fred Finks gave the treasurers report, small bills were voted on for payment....Wally Duthie reported on past and future excursions and mentioned the fact that he had recieved a letter from the officials of the Sonora-Baja Calif. RR. about our recent trip to Rito. They would like some copies of photos taken on the trip, also any comments we might have about the railroad. Contact Wally for the proper address in Mexicali.

It was moved and seconded that we join the Orange Empire Traction Co., this was carried and the society officially became a voting member in O.E.T. A motion was also made and seconded to donate \$100.00 to the O.E.T. for the fine job they did in unloading the car 171. This could have cost us up to \$300.00 had we hired the work- O.E.T. did the work as a favor- because of this fine offering on their part the society voted the donation to O.E.T.

Following the short business portion of the meeting, Bill Snyder had two very good 16mm sound-color film put out by the Southern Pacific Co. One covered the winter battle over Donner Pass, the other was a general coverage of the entire S.P. system and various jobs performed. Both films showed much steam power and to many diesels. Some 8mm films of the Sonora-Baja Calif trip were shown and some movies and slides of the 171 at Perris.

JULY MEETING.....JULY MEETING.....

The July meeting of the Railway Historical Society of San Diego, Inc. will be held on Monday evening- JULY 6, 1959 at 8:00 P.M. in the Safety Room of the Santa Fe Depot....Kettner and Broadway, San Diego.

Most important item of new business is the steam locomotive that the Santa Fe Ry. has offered to give us!!!! The fair exhibits will be discussed- how many went through the exhibits, etc.

The Newsletter doesn't have the information on the entertainment as yet, but there will be movies or slides and REFRESHMENTS.

JULY MEETING OF R.H.S. of S.D. - MONDAY, JULY 6, 1959 - 8:00 P.M. -----

HELP SAVE THE 1765 ? The 1765 is steam locomotive number 1765, an S.P. 2-6-0 Mogul Type-----The Mt. Rubidoux Chapter of the Pacific Railroad Soc. is out to save the 1765 for the United Railway Museum at Perris-----with the hopes of actually operating this steamer at Perris!!!!

MEMBERS ADDRESS CHANGES.....Change P. Allen Copeland from 982 Astor Ave., El Cajon to new address- 246 ROSWELL AVE., LONG BEACH 3, CALIFORNIA.

Does anyone have an up to date address for Douglas Harley??? (old address was 4753 Newport Ave.)

SANTA FE MOTIVE POWER ON THE SURF LINE.....

Have you been watching trains lately? Even without the good old steam locomotives, it is still fun and interesting to watch trains. Santa Fe has been getting in to the swing of mixing diesel units lately. As a rule, the Santa Fe sticks pretty close to matching units but they have been putting GP-9 hood units in with F-7 cab units quite often on San Diego freight runs. The big blue & yellow freighters look quite rare with a black zebra stripe GP-9 sandwiched in. One 4 unit consisted of A-B-B- of F-7 equipment and a lone GP-9 filling in for the other A unit. A three unit went out the other morning: A unit, Gaep, A unit. The San Diegan has had some two unit Alco power, double A units and an A and B unit....they made a pass at Morena the other day, as a rule only the Alco 3 unit #51 is on this line. (51 has been converted to EMD engines)

There is a nice article in the May BRANCH LINE (Pacific Coast Region - National Model Railroad Association) about the R.M.S. S.D. trip to Rito on the Sonora-Baja California RR.

There is so much news this month and no time to print it with the fair on at Del Mar.....we will make the AUGUST NEWSLETTER a big issue. We have steam stories from vacationing Roy & Daisy Miller, Jack Stodelle and his family have been to Grand Canyon- also the McCleary team, "Mac" & Ruby. Bob Henkel just returned from Pennsylvania and there are probably many others with a few good rail tales from their vacation trips. WE WILL GET ALL THIS IN THE AUGUST & SEPTEMBER issue of the Newsletter.

SEE BACK PAGE FOR DETAILS ON THE JULY 26th NARROW GAUGE TRIP IN SAN DIEGO.

SAVE THE 1765.....

We haven't got the full details as yet but the Mt. Rubidoux Chapter of the Pacific Railroad Society is now working on a fund raising campaign to save this old Southern Pacific 2-6-0 steamer.

President Garner of the Mt. Rubidoux Chapter now has the passes to start the money raising program. Two passes are available- a LIFETIME and a TRIP ONLY PASS. For a donation of \$10.00 and over you will be issued a LIFETIME PASS, for \$1.00 you get a TRIP ONLY PASS.

For more information on this worthy cause write to the Mt. Rubidoux Chapter in care of BARNEY ROOT, 180 "Y" STREET, SAN BERNARDINO, CALIF.

SEND THE S.P. # 1765 MOCUL TO PEREIS---UNITED RAILWAY MUSEUM.

AT THIS PRINTING, THE DEL MAR EXHIBITS HAVE BEEN DOING A LANDSLIDE BUSINESS WITH HUNDREDS OF PEOPLE VISITING OLD 104, 050 AND 528. The exhibits are being kept open full time this year. (Thanks to all the Del Mar staff.)

R.H.S. of S.D. EXCURSION !!

SUNDAY, JULY 26, 1959 - 11: A.M. To 3: P.M.

Picnic Type Excursion with 2 Narrow Gauge Trains.

The Railway Historical Society of San Diego, Inc. will have a PICNIC TYPE EXCURSION with TWO NARROW GAUGE TRAINS on FOUR MILES of track.....

SUNDAY, JULY 26th, 1959 - - 11:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M.

Bring your own lunch---there is no diner on the train!!! All within the San Diego City Limits, we will ride narrow gauge rails on a unique little industrial operation. Trains will operate with meets, passes, the works.

NATURALLY IT ISN'T STEAM OPERATION-BUT....YOU JUST CAN'T HARDLY GET THEM KIND NO MORE, NO HOW. COME RIDE BEHIND LITTLE INDUSTRIAL SWITCHERS EVEN IF THEY AREN'T STEAM POWERED.....IT SHOULD BE A LOT OF FUN FOR EVERYONE.

This excursion is limited to members and their families (and real close friends interested in joining RHS SD) Real exclusive type trip!!!

THE TRAINS WILL CONSIST OF 4 FLAT CARS AND A PLYMOUTH LOCOMOTIVE..... LINK AND PIN COUPLERS!!! SORRY, NO "CABESEE" AVAILABLE.

Ride as often as you like and as long as you like.....no extra charge.

ENJOY AN OLD FASHIONED PICNIC LUNCH WITH ALL THE TRIMMINGS. (your own) WE WILL SUPPLY THE FRESH AIR AND THE TRAINS.....YOU BRING THE GRUB.

FARE IS ONLY \$1.00 FOR EACH ADULT AND \$.50 FOR THE KIDS UNDER 18. THIS CHARGE IS NECCESARY TO COVER THE EXPENSE OF OPERATION AND INSURANCE.

THERE WILL BE MEMBERS AVAILABLE WITH CARS TO MEET THE SANTA FE "SAN DIEGAN" FROM LOS ANGELES....any of you members up there in the north will be transported from the depot to the excursion and back to the depot. (arrive S.D. 10:30 AM - leave S.D. 4:00 P.M. via Santa Fe streamliner)

FOR YOU CLOSE BY.....GO DOWN THE MONTGOMERY FREEWAY TO PALOMAR ST. IN CHULA VISTA.....TURN WEST (right turn if southbound on freeway) THE STREET YOU WANT IS BAY BLVD., THE PLACE....THE WESTERN SALT COMPANY. WE WILL REPEAT THAT.....THE WESTERN SALT COMPANY, ON BAY BLVD. JUST WEST OF CHULA VISTA (PALOMAR & MONTGOMERY FREEWAY) OUT ON THE SALT FLATS.

MAIL CHECK OR MONEY ORDER TO WITH SELF ADDRESSED ENVELOPE, STAMPED,
TO: Railway Historical Society of San Diego, Inc. Ticket Office,
228 West Washington St., San Diego 3, Calif.

Name _____ I wish _____ adult fares and
children _____ at \$1.00 & \$.50 per ticket.
Address _____ TOTAL FARES ENCLOSED, _____

(note: nearest restaurant is
several blocks away)

I will provide my own transportation
to Salt Works, _____ (check)
I will arrive on morning Santa Fe
train from L.A., _____ (check)

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WESTERN SALT WORKS, BAY BLVD., CHULA VISTA (S.D.)