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OPERATION SLATED FOR OCTOBER 6

Plans are under way by the museum to operate its two locomotives in the San Diego area on October 6. Numbers 3 and 11 are expected to take part in the annual trade fair at San Diego's Tenth Avenue Marine Terminal that date.

The locomotives will be pulling some borrowed Santa Fe coaches if plans materialize. Persons attending the trade fair will be given a rail tour of the port's facilities.

EXTRA WORK PARTIES SLATED TO READY LOCOS

In connection with our October 6, operation, it is necessary to call some extra work parties during the month of September. Our general superintendent, Bob DiGiorgio, has announced that the work sessions will be on Saturdays, September 14, 21, and 28.

The locomotives will be test fired at the September 28, session, provided we have a good turn out at the work parties, according to DiGiorgio.

Please do come. PSRMA needs your help to make the operation a success.

PSRMA EQUIPMENT NOW SPORTS LOCKS

All of the museum's locomotives and storage facilities are now protected by locks. A master key to the locks are now available to members in good standing.

Those members who are interested in obtaining keys should contact Bob DiGiorgio, who has keys available. A \$1 charge will be made for the keys to cover costs.

SORRY, WE GOOFED

The Magma Arizona's new diesel is not an EMD, as we reported. It is an 850 hp, 120 ton Baldwin purchased from the Medford Corp., where it was Number 8.

STEAM AND TRACTION AT SEPTEMBER MEETING

Members will once again be entertained by the large collections of slides to be presented by Mr. Donald Brown of Los Angeles.

Among the shots to be shown at the meeting are shots of the former SP narrow gauge in steam, as well as Santa Fe and UP action photos in Cajon pass.

For you traction fans there will be shots of our favorite, San Diego Electric, and Phoenix, Ariz. lines. Los Angeles Transit and Los Angeles Railway will be included too, time permitting. It will be all in color, too!

Remember that will be on September 21, 1968, at the safety room of the Santa Fe Station, at 7:30 p.m. That is the third SATURDAY in September. We will be looking forward to seeing you there.

PERRIS REPORT

Tom Matson and Bob Digiorio recently visited the Orange Empire Trolley Museum, at Perris. They report that member Charles Holcomb has been a very active one man work force on our engines located there.

He has nearly completed work on the No. 10's dry pipe leak, and reports that the locomotive is nearly ready for its hydrostatic test. He has also done some work on the 3 spot. Lot's of work for one man, would say. Thanks, Charlie!

AUTO VIA EXCURSION SET FOR NOVEMBER 9

PSRMA will operate an excursion on Saturday, November 9. The trip will be over the Sonora-Baja California Railway between Mexicali and Puerto Penasco. We will ride the new Auto Vias, which are new rail cars equipped with Rolls-Royce engines.

Excursionists will leave San Diego by bus at 6:30 a.m. and will return to San Diego at 11 p.m. (See next page)

Fares are as follows: For the Train, Adults, \$10.00, under 12 years \$6.50, and under 5 years free.

Charles R. Holcomb
George Geyer
Daniel McLean

Bus fares from San Diego to Mexicali are \$7.00 for adults and \$6.00 for persons under 12 years.

FORMER SD&AE ENGINES GO TO TERMINAL IS.

For further information please contact: Eric Sanders, 7861 Normal Avenue, La Mesa California 92041, phone 469-1288.

General Electric 70-tonners 5101 and 5114, have been sold to National Metal & Salvage Co. for use at Terminal Island.

The units were repainted a light sky-blue color with a broad horizontal white stripe, and are lettered National Metal and Steel.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FOR 1969

The final quarter of 1968 is now upon us and it is time for all members in good standing (and some of those who are not) to renew for 1969. In the past our records have become somewhat muddled due to a lack of standardization in our renewal policies. This is going to change.

Elsewhere in this issue of the Report is a renewal form. ALL members should use this renewal form and mail it to: John Hathaway, Director of Personnel and Records, at the address listed. Your check for next year's dues (\$10 for Regular membership and \$3 for contributing) should be included. Instead of having every officer of the museum receiving checks from members for renewals as has been the case in the past, all incoming records and money will go to the Director of Records and Personnel, who will then record and turn checks over to the treasurer for deposit.

Also in the past, many of our members have not kept up with their yearly dues, but because of our poor records they have not been dropped from membership rolls and the Report mailing list. This is the last chance for these people to remain on our rolls without having to go through the trouble of filling out a regular application form (and in the case of regular members, going through the six month probationary period). After March 15, 1969, a complete official roster will be prepared consisting of those members who have paid dues for 1969. This roster will be used as the mailing list for the Report.

In the last couple of years PSTMA has been growing rapidly with the acquisition of new equipment and more possibilities of a museum site. We have to maintain an accurate set of records more than ever now to keep up with our growth.

John Hathaway,
Director of Records and Personnel

RENEWAL FORM (please print or type)

NAME _____ PHONE NUMBER _____

ADDRESS _____
(street) (city) (state) (zip code)

REG. () CON () ARE YOU WILLING TO WORK ON MUSEUM PROJECTS?: YES () NO ()

Send this filled out form if you are at present a member of PSTMA, or have been in the past and are still receiving issues of the Report, with a check for your dues (\$10 for regular membership and \$3 for contributing) to:

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