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COVER

A four car Amtrak San Diegan, #775, headed by Santa Fe F7A #300C and F7B #300B, sits in the Fullerton, California, station on a cool April 1973 night while passengers from San Diego, Del Mar, Oceanside, San Clemente and Santa Ana detrain, and Los Angeles bound passengers board.

Craig Walker photo.

MARK'S MESSAGE:

This is our special Second Anniversary issue in which one can take pride in saying, "I belong to the West Coast Region." major example of our improvements is the CRUMMY. Lock at the first issue put out back in 1971 (a photocopy), then look at our First Anniversary issue, and now look at this issue...see the dramatic changes? Yes, we are slowly improving with each year. Thanks are granted to all the past officers, Regular and Associate members, and to the advertisers who all made it possible (not to mention the CRUMMY staffs!).

I would like to hear from you members what you think about the new ad prices. Are they too high? Are they too low? Express your feelings, for the prices can always be changed. We would like to see the members place more ads, so how about sending me a list of what you think the prices should be. They must be resonable, though, in order for us to continue the type of publishing the CRUMMY has been recieving. So come on and speak up by sending your suggestions to me.

The PCR/NMRA convention in San Mateo was a great success, for we had nine members attending (three were Associates). Plus, the booth we set up there actually recruted new members. A small article is planned on this, but was not ready at press time, so it will be held over.

Not much else to say except, enjoy our Gala Anniversary issue!

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RPO

Why don't other WCR members write articles or take pictures? It seems like everything is by Mike Beene, Ron Fong, Craig Walker, David Garretson, and myself. All you have to do to take a picture is load your camera with film, go down to the local tracks, aim, and shoot, and everyone should be able to write an article because everyone is an expert on something! Richard Young

(We agree with you, Rich. We too would like to see other members contribute, after all, the CRUMMY is your publication supported by your articles and photos. I personally would like to see more photos and articles on other areas and other railroads. We are also desperately in need of modelling articles. --cw)

OF AN OLD BRANCH LINE

by Richard Young

The photos (on page 6) show the old Pacific Electric (now Southern Pacific) line between La Habra and Yorba Linda through Brea, in Orange County, California. This line is being taken up because there hasn't been a train on it for about five years. The line is about seven miles long, but so far only about the last three miles are being taken up. At the end of the line is a real estate office that looks like a station, complete with baggage carts outside (maybe it is a rebuilt PE station).

MEET SANTA FE'S SLUG!

(reprinted with permission from THE SANTA FE MAGAZINE, published by the Santa Fe Railway)

A substantial economic benefit has been achieved by the Santa Fe Rail-way at its computerized Argentine freight yard in Kansas City, Kansas, by replacing a 2400 hp diesel-electric locomotive with a retired unit equipped only with electric traction motors.

Trucks and traction motors of the retired locomotive were reconditioned at the railroad's shops in San Bernardino, California. The outer configuration was streamlined, the old diesel engine removed, and the unit was filled with concrete for weight. The remodeled unit now works in tandem with a standard 2400 hp diesel electric locomotive in switching service at Argentine, freeing a second 2400 hp unit from this service.

It is impossible to utilize more than minimum power from any locomotve unit at slow speeds or the wheels will slip. Coupling the six traction motors on the "slug", as it is called, to the diesel-electric locomotive, with its six traction motors, makes it possible to double the tractive effort from the same power plant at slow speeds without slippage.

"The slug costs less than 10% of the cost of the 2400 hp dieselelectric unit it replaced," Larry Cena, vice-president of operations, said. "We may build more of these units for use at other points on the system, if the first works satisfactorily, as we believe it will," he reported.

JUNKET

Knucklehead:
I said JUNKET:
NOT JUNK!
by RON FONG

It takes time to read all the junk I get, so some of the stuff may be a bit old by the time you read it, but so what, it's still just JUNK:

Persons: New WCR member John Hauschild is not a model railroader! He's just a proud Grandpop whose grandson happens to be someone named MT. . . Our men in uniform - Mark Morgan and Steve Shaffer. SS is in the USN and is currently stationed at Moffett Field, California. He will probably head for hometown Las Cruces, New Mexico, upon finishing. MM is an NROTC man at the University of New Mexico. my query of whether the Navy had developed "sand ships", MM said he is going on a submarine soon (watch out for periscopes in the sand, folks) ... Unheard from since last August is WCR member Mike Brunner, who was last known to be helping to rebuild a CP 4-8-4. . . New WCR member Paul Newitt is an actual dyed-in-the-wool genuine member of the Virginia & Truckee Railroad Restoration Company (keep on Truckee-ing?) ... RY (he's truly innocent) has been caught taking a cooking class, where he made sukiyaki (Paul Shimada should take that man with him on his tour to show Japan what sukiyaki is really like). . . Billy Wiggians (fireman on ex-LNER 4-6-2 #4472 - the "Flying

Scotsman") reports that she never got to highball to or from Lanthrop. Due to fire hazards, she was unceremoniously towed to and from by WP geeps, keeping only enough steam for brakes, heat, and whistle. Alas. . . Billy also reports that, fantastic as it may seem, he was forced to spend an extra night in LA last Christmas due to a sold out Amtrak train. he fifteen car train was crowded both ways between SF and LA with good service and exellent reconditioning. Hurray for Too bad it isn't always Amtrak! like that. . . MT got some sharp pix at Foto-Mat the other day. Instead of trains, he got a baby. Are they trying to tell him something?. . . Write in, please. . . Excelsior!!

THE ALCO S2

by Richard Young

S-2's were built by ALCO from April 1940 to June 1950. It is estimated that there were 1,655 S-2's built for United States roads, with around 150 units going to Canadian roads, and twenty going to Mexican roads. S-2's look almost the same as their later counterparts, the S-4 (built from June of 1950 to sometime in 1957), except for some differences in things like the radiator shutters, the stacks (early S-2's were delivered without stacks, which the roads quickly added), and, perhaps the most obvious, the trucks.



ATSF #9850 is a yard slug rebuilt from RSD-5 #2110 in the San Bernardino, California, shops. It is numbered in the 9800 class because it is designed to MU with the 9800 - 9849 class RSD-15's.



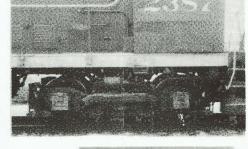


These photos show two parts of the Southern Pacific branch line through Yorba Linda. Note how the ties are bundled for transport.

Richard Young photos

These photos show two ATSF S-2's in La Mirada, California. The builder's plate is on #2387, also seen in the photo showing the truck detail. The other unit is #2348.





Richard Young photos



Craig Walker photo



Northern Pacific box car #31200 is seen here in Fullerton, California on the 17th of May, 1973. The car, seen here at night, is painted blue (top), white (middle), and red (bottom), with red ends and roof. Too bad Burlington Northern probably won't keep these cars painted these colors.

HOORAY FOR THE RED, WHITE & BLUE! (REVISITED)

by Craig Walker

Since my article on red. white, and blue railroad equipment in the January-February 1973 CRUM-MY was both written and typed in a hurry, there were several mistakes, both on my part and Mark's (who, and I'm not complaining, typed it). It is also time to update some of the material.

To begin with, there were two typographical errors which may have caused some confusion. First, PA #1776's builder's date was 8/47, not 8/77. Second, the unit was sold to the GM&O (Gulf, Mobile, and Ohio, now part of the Illinois Central Gulf), not the "GM&D".

Now for the stupid mistakes on my part, I'll begin with the fact that I left the "HO scale" off of the blurb about the Train-Miniature reefer. Also, after the article was given to Mark, I confirmed my suspicions that AHM makes a Bangor and Aroostook red, white and blue box car in both HO and N scales. I also left out the fact that Champ makes decals for these cars in both 0 and HO scales, and Walthers has decals in the same two scales for several styles and sizes of these cars. Also, since the article was written, BAR has, along with their new image locos, gone back to painting their box cars red, white and blue. Decals for these

Bengar and Aropetock

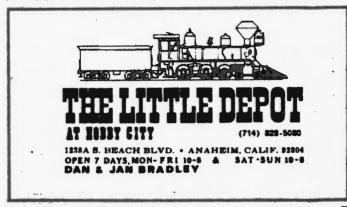
This is one of BAR'S new box cars. It is painted red on the panel to the left of the door, blue on the right side of the door, white on the door, and black on the roof and ends. The herald is aqua.

new image cars are available in HO and N scales from Miller Advertising (Herald King).

Concerning the Northern Pacific red, white and blue box cars, I may have exagerated on the "couple of million" box cars I've seen (I can't estimate at all). The first update for this part of the article is that I've now seen two of these cars (Rich Young, who was with me at the time, actually found it). Luckily, I had my camera (loaded with black and white film for publication) with me (see photo on page 6). The other update is that Rod Stroud no longer sells individual slides, but now sells his slides in sets (one set per month), and he hasn't yet released a set containing the slide of the NP red, white and blue car.

In the locomotive department, I forgot to mention the new Black Mesa and Lake Powell Rail-road 6000-HP E60C's, the new electric locomotives built by General Electric. Santa Fe, CP, UP, and SP are watching the performance of these locos with keen interest. Plans for these units appeared in the April 1973 RAIL-ROAD MODEL CRAFTSMAN. They are painted with a red cab, a white and blue body, and yellow lettering.

There were also a couple mistakes in the section on the "Spirit of



1776" train. First, the emblems on the ATSF steam/generator car have not been removed, but one of them is wearing off quite badly. I also forgot to mention that the Frisco caboose closely resembles either Athearn's or AHM's new HO cabocses, or Atlas' O scale caboose.

Well, that looks like about it for all of my mistakes (there were too many to begin with). I hope they didn't cause too much confusion.

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Summer 1973 MRIA Consumer Show. To be held at the Orange County (California) Fairgrounds.

July 29

Rocky Mountain Train Collectors Club Show & Swap Meet. 1Cam-5pm at the Jefferson County (Colorado). Fairgrounds. All scales.

August 4

Union Pacific 4-8-4 #8444 will power special train Denver to Laramie, round trip. For information, write Intermountain Chapter, NRHS, PO Box 5181, Denver, Colorado 80217

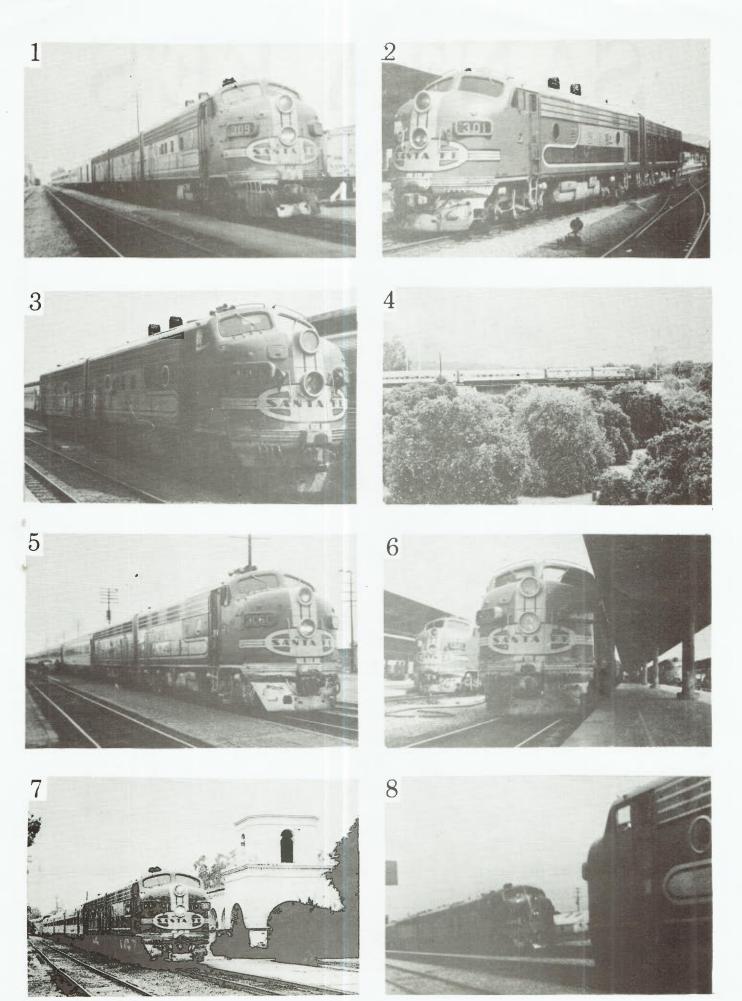
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TAMR National Convention, Chicago, Illinios. Model & photo contests, layout tours, fan trips, live clinics, etc. Info: Terry Burke, 1636 Hawthorne, Westchester, Illinios 60153.

SANTA FE'S F-UNITS

A PICTORIAL BY CRAIG WALKER





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Head end view of Santa Fe F7A #302C on Amtrak San Diegan #75 in Fullerton, California in August, 1971.

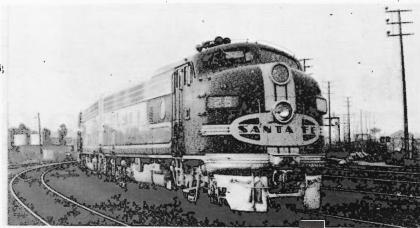
FAGE 10:

- 1) Santa Fe F7A #309L and two F7 B-units make up the power for Amtrak San Diegan #76 in Fullerton, California on an August morning in 1971.
- 2) ATSF F7A #301L and F7B #301A prepare to take Amtrak San Diegan #778 out of LAUPT to San Diego on an April 1973 morning.
- 3) ATSF F7A #300C and F7B #300B back out of Los Angeles, Union Passenger Terminal after bringing Amtrak San Diegan #773 in on time.
 April, 1973
- 4) On a misty May 19, 1973 morning, ATSF F/A #300L and F/B #300A head Amtrak San Diegan #773 across a creek in San Juan Capistrano.
- 5) ATSF F7A #5060 at the head end of Amtrak San Diegan #75 westbound out or Fullerton in August of 1971.
- 6) Amtrak San Diegan #773 becomes #778 in LAUPT as ATSF F7 A and B-unit sets #300C-300B are taken off #773, and #301L-301A are put on #778 on an April, 1973 morning.
- 7) On the 19th of May, 1973, ATSF F7A #301L and F7B #301A work hard as they race a late Amtrak #776 (San Diegan) through San Juan Capistrano.
- 5) Amtrak #76 eastbound with ATSF F7A #301L on the point meets westbound #75 with ATSF F7A #302C at milepost 165, in August of 1971.



ATSF F7A #219L and another F7A head a freight past milepost 154 in Santa Fe Springs, California on a warm August, 1963, day.

CHARLES REED PHOTO



ATSF F3A #25L rounds the curve into Los Angeles Union Passenger Terminal with one of Santa Fe's finest in tow in August, 1962. CHARLES REED PHOTO



ATSF F7A #211L is on the point as six F7's (A-B-A-B-A-B) work a freight over Tehachapi Loop out of Bakersfield, California in August of 1963.

CHARLES REED PHOTO



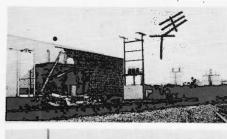
ATSF F3A #19C brings a Santa Fe passenger train out of Los Angeles Union Passenger Terminal in August, 1962.

the camera SCRAPBOOK

David Johnston takes a picture of Rio Grande Southern "Galloping Goose" #6 in Durango, Colorado in August, 1972.

MICHAEL BEENE PHOTO







Early in the morning of May 17th, 1973, seven cars of a westbound 63-car freight derailed in Fullerton, California. These two photos show some of the damage caused by that wreck. The upper photo shows the damage done to the Hawaiian Punch plant and a nearby telephone pole (suspended by the phone wires). The lower photo shows two of the cars that were involved in the wreck.

CRAIG WALKER PHOTOS

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News

HOn3 car kits that are presently available, or have been available, or will be available (prices not included because of change)

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D&RGW-RGS 8-wheel caboose**
C&S 4-wheel caboose**

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LA BELLE

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D&RGW combine
D&RGW baggage
D&RGW postal
D&RGW business (the "Alamosa")
Pacific Coast 30' box car
Ohic River & Western 24' box car

**These kits are not presently available.

^{*}These kits are harder to assemble than a wood kit.

LA BELLE (continued)

Florence & Cripple Creek box car Victor Gold Mining Company gondola D&RGW double deck stock car D&RGW long caboose DSF&P Tiffany reefer

NORTHWEST SHORT LINE

less couplers

Northwestern Pacific 24' flat car wood assembly kit trucks optional various types of log cars wood or brass trucks optional various types of camp cars wood no trucks or couplers

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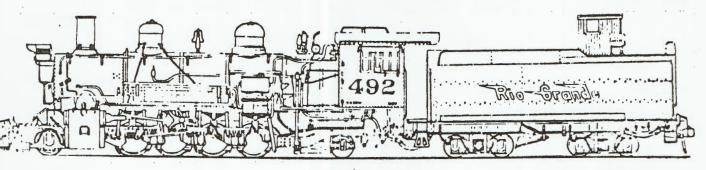
WOOD ASSEMBLY KIT LESS COUPLERS

Westside Lumber Company Swayne log car. D&RGW OR and OS air dump gondola with trucks (Central Valley

less truck wheelsets)

Westside Lumber Company water car

less trucks





COLORADO WESTERN SELLS LOCCS The Colorado Western recently announced that it has cut its rester in half by selling three of its locomotives. The locos, an 0-4-0T (featured on page 70 of the June 1973 MCDEL RAILROADER), and 2 2-6-2's (cne of which is featured on the cover of the November-December 1972 CRUMMY), were sold to the Colorado and Pacific Railroad in Lakewood, Colorado. The C-4-OT and the 2-6-2 that was on the CRUMMY's cover were previously owned by the AT&SF. The other 2-6-2 was sold by the Dubis and

Short Pine to the AT&SF, who in turn sold it to the CW. This leaves the CW with a roster of an 0-6-0, a 4-4-2, and a 4-6-2, along with a railbus. The CW's 3-foot gauge subsidiary, the Denver Southern, owns a 2-8-0.

CCMMEMORATIVE CARS? Rumor has it that both ex-president Mike Beene and local crazyperson Craig Walker are preparing special cars to commemorate the WCR's second anniversary. Mike Beene's is going to be a caboose

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TEEN ASSOCIATION OF MODEL RAILROADING WEST COAST REGION ELECTIONS OFFICER Ronnie Fong 106 Garrison Ave.
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WEST COAST REGION GRUMMY EDITOR Mark Thompson 17292 Bergen Circle Tustin, CA 92680

Re: Elections Results

Deer Mr. Thompson:

It is my duty as outgoing Secretary/Treasurer of the West Coast Region of the Teen Association of Model Railroading for the period of April 1, 1972 to April 1, 1973 to report the results of the elections of officers for the West Coast Region of the Teen Association of Model Railroading for the year of April 1, 1973 to April 1, 1974.

The final results which have been counted by myself, and confirmed by outgoing President Michael A. Beene are as follows:

PRESIDENT CRAIG WALKER

SECRETARY/TREASURER BILL HALL

The officers have been notified by letters going out on the same day as this leetter and the outgoing officers are or have already forwarded the duties and items necessary for the office Please forward any mail the CRUMMY may have for the officers to them and make the necessary announcements in the CRUMMY.

Thank you for your patience and cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,

Ronnie Lee Fong

Elections Officer

Coast Region

(symbol of the CRUMMY), and Craig Walker's is going to be a box car ("If nothing else, it ought to be colorful!"). Whether or not either of the cars will tour other systems or not is not presently known.

OPERATING "GOOSE"

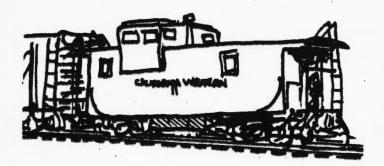
As this is written, Ric Grande Southern "Galloping Goose" #3 is in operation at Knott's Berry Farm in Buena Park, California. This is the first time the Goose there has ever been run since its aquisition by Knott's, and it was forced out of retirement to help conserve fuel. It is operated from 8:00 am to 10:00 am, and the rest of the time a regular passenger train is operated. A full report on the equipment at Knott's will be in the next issue.

DO YOU OWN A PEN OR PENCIL?

If so, why not go on an ego trip and write an article for the CRUMMY. Articles are desparately needed, particularly modeling articles (this is the Teen Association of MODEL RAILROADING) but we're not too picky. Send us your articles now, and see your name in print!

WESTERN CABOOSES

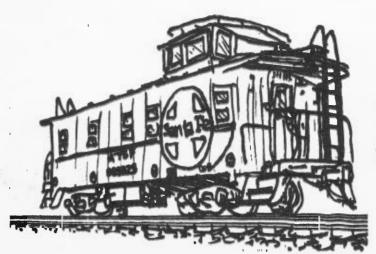
by Craig Walker



CALIFORNIA WESTERN #11 IN FORT BRAGG, CALIFORNIA, HEADED FOR WILLITS.

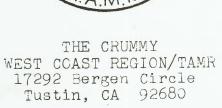
SOUTHERN PACIFIC TRANSFER CABOOSE #930 IN TAYLOR YARD, LCS ANGELES.





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