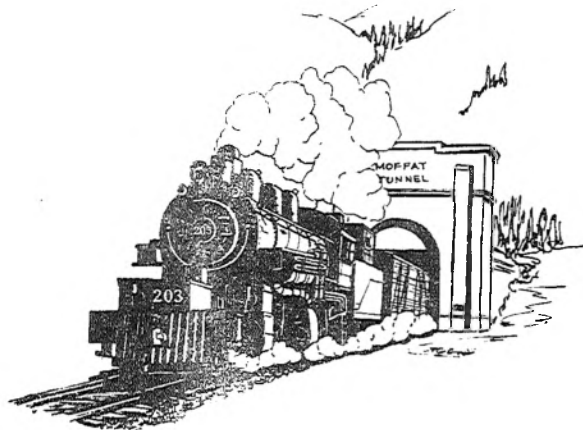


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Meeting Notice: Date Wednesday, March 10, 1971
Time 8:00 p.m.
Place City & County Bldg., Courtroom 100. Building is
located across the street from the U. S. Mint.
Entrance is 1400 Cherokee St.

PROGRAM NOTES: Jack Thode will show 35mm slides of snow fighting on Cumbres
Pass. Don't miss this fine presentation.

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REMEMBER!! SUNDAY, March 28, 1971 is the date of the Union Pacific steam ex-
cursion behind No. 8444 from Denver to Laramie and return.

Children under 5 years of age are permitted to ride free provided they
do not occupy a seat. Fares are \$33.00 for adults, \$20.00 for children
ages 6 to 11.

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GOOD NEWS!! The D&RGW has again offered to run a Labor Day weekend special
train from Durango to Silverton and return. More details will be pub-
lished as plans are finalized. Save the date - September 5, 1971.

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THANKS-are in order for Mr. Beyer Patton, editor of the Intermountain Chapter
of the NRHS for the publicity given in the NRHS newsletter on the up-
coming RMRR Club excursion to Laramie behind 8444.

LA JUNTA TRIP - the Intermountain Chapter of the NRHS will run two trips to
La Junta, Colo. using private car No. 96 on trains 191 and 190. The
dates of the trips are Saturday, April 17, 1971 and Friday, April 30,
1971. For additional details and fares write to NRHS, P. O. Box 5181,
Denver, Colorado 80217.

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RAILPAX - - - Look for an announcement on this subject at the March Club
meeting.

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OUR CLUB PRESIDENT urges the membership to contribute news items of railroad
interest to Bruce Black, editor., 3235 E. Euclid Av., Boulder, Colo. 80303.
News can also be phoned in to 442-7197.

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UP WILL SPEND \$121 million in 1971. Included in this amount are 12 centennial
type, 6600 H.P. units, 23 5000 H.P. units and 40 diesel units at 3000 H.P.

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THE GEORGETOWN LOOP - At the 15 Jan. '71 meeting of The Georgetown Society, William T. Marshall (Director of the State Historical Society of Colorado) explained the Historical Society's plans for its Georgetown site. The area, bounded roughly by the Loop, will be developed as a restoration of an early-day mine, using the Everett and Lebanon tunnels as the focus. The mill will be restored; the tunnels reconstructed; and the associated buildings rebuilt. The tunnel work is almost complete, and the superintendent's home has been moved to its final location. While the railroad is a part of the project, its reconstruction is secondary to that of the mine and buildings. The fame of the Loop is recognized, however, and the re-erection of its four bridges, including the well-known one at the Devil's Gate, is contemplated. It is even possible that part of the railroad will be rebuilt to carry visitors from a parking area north of Georgetown to the site.

The Georgetown Society is deeply involved in preserving the city as it was. Federal, State and City measures have been invoked or enacted to control development in keeping with the overall plan. At the moment the Society is making an inventory of all structures in the city to determine their individual backgrounds. It is also working on a "City genealogy" of residents and their ancestors. It is very interested in any kind of material pertaining to Georgetown (as well as Silver Plume and Brownville). If any RMRR Club member feels that he might be able to assist the Georgetown Society with its work, contact Bob Bolander, President (PO Box 657, Georgetown 80444).

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DISMANTLING of the narrow gauge between Durango and Farmington is nearly complete. Much of the main line between Chama and Durango is gone and dismantling is being done around carbon Jct. Brick from the Alamosa roundhouse is being salvaged for use in buildings in California it is reported.

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SWAP 'N SHOP Personal ads are accepted from members for items to be listed for sale or trade or wanted. We cannot enter into any correspondence, nor will we appraise items.

A. VON BLON, Box 6422 BU Sta., Waco, Tex. 76706 seeks info as to where the river boat DELL QUEEN (not Delta Queen) operated. Wants passes, timetables and photos of river boats. Offers Los Angeles Pacific Album No. 40 by Ira Swett.

R. A. CURRIER, 714 S. 17th St., Corvallis, Ore. 97330 trades or buys RPO cancellations on postcards and letters.

HENRY E. BENDER, Jr., 6257 Solano Dr., San Jose, Cal. 95119, sells personally autographed copies of his new book "Uintah Railway", the Gilsonite Route, for \$9.50 per copy, postpaid.

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THOT FOR THE DAY: Is there a greater fault than being conscious of the other person's faults?

-- Kahlil Gibran

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