



STACK TALK

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News from the President



Perry McCully

We are down to a few weeks before the spring meet. It's time to start cleaning up the place so it will look nice for our guests.

We could get a lot of people from California due to the fact that they may not have a spring meet. Please come out and help all that you can. Potluck dinner is on for Saturday night plus the raffle. We need lots of things for the raffle. Bring them to Ford Station before the meet if you can.

The signals are being installed on the Pottsville branch as I write this. Lots of other projects continue to move forward. Thanks for all the hard work that is being done.

We've had some more vandalism out at Pardee Point—a damaged switch and someone lifted up a spur. At least they didn't damage the main line. The spur will be repaired by this weekend (I think).

Thanks goes out to those that helped with Dewey Mills retirement party. Everyone seemed to have a good time.

On March 25 from 10 a.m. until about 2 p.m. ARMS is having their swap meet. We need train crews to run the public attending this event.

Just a friendly reminder: It is everyone's responsibility to have a safe meet.

Perry McCully

The Literary Digest for August 4, 1923 69

A mark of good service

The familiar mark of the New York Central Lines is to be seen on 264,000 freight cars carrying the products of American industry.

Thousands of new cars, fresh from the builders, go into service each year bearing this mark. In the past three years New York Central orders for new freight cars have totalled \$93,600,000. For new locomotives \$34,000,000 has been expended.

Two years ago, when hundreds of thousands of freight cars on American railroads were standing idle for lack of business, New York Central, with confidence in the future, placed one of the largest orders for cars in railroad history.

When the tide of business turned, and a car surplus was transformed into a car shortage, New York Central had the equipment to move the crops, the coal and the products of industry along its 12,000 miles of lines.

The mark of the New York Central Lines on a new freight car is not only a mark of good transportation service—it is evidence of the fact that back of it is a railroad organization that is building today for the needs of the country tomorrow.

NEW YORK CENTRAL LINES

BOSTON & ALBANY - MICHIGAN CENTRAL - BIG FOUR - PITTSBURGH & LAKE ERIE
AND THE NEW YORK CENTRAL AND SUBSIDIARY LINES

Treasurer's Notes



Bob Douglas

"All Aboard for Pottsville Station"

After 18 months, the Pottsville subdivision track rebuild program has been completed. Pottsville Station is a destination again, even for large locomotives. The curves at the Sahuaro Central Museum have been expanded to 60 foot radius. Engineers can pull into either of the two station tracks without blocking the main line. The Pottsville-Bobberg interchange track is usable at all times except during meets. The Pottsville signaling system should be operational in time for the

spring meet.

During the month of February, MLS train crews made 82 trips carrying 1278 passengers. The public rail fans appreciate the effort of the dedicated station and train crews.

Bob Douglas

News from the Vice President



Betty Jane Moore

Oh my! March came in like a lamb. Here's hoping it goes out like a lion, with lots of rain. We surely need it. Our 2006 Spring Meet—March 16 through March 19—is just about here and we are almost ready. Meet Coordinator John Draftz is still looking for volunteers. **Please give him a call at 602-942-3457 or email him at**

jzdraftz@quixnet.net if you can help out.

Our next general meeting is at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, March 11th, which is the weekend before the meet. Please plan on staying around to help spruce up the park. As an incentive, we will be serving lunch on the patio at 11:30 a.m. and then the work begins. Donations will be accepted, including any deserts anyone would like to bring to share.

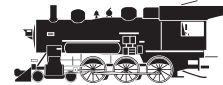
We are still in need of donations for the Saturday night Raffle. Please bring them in anytime and leave them in the clubhouse. We accept everything. It makes the raffle more fun.

We also will need deserts for the Friday night Spaghetti Dinner and lots of food for the Saturday night potluck. Registrations are up and we need to feed all the good folks who are coming in as our guests, not to mention the rest of us. I know you will all come through as you always do.

Big kids, having fun and helping each other. That's us.

Happy rails to you, until we meet again.

Betty Jane Moore



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MLS CALENDAR

Saturday, March 11:
 Board Meeting, 9 a.m.
 Membership Meeting, 10 a.m.
 March 16 - 19:
 2006 Spring Meet