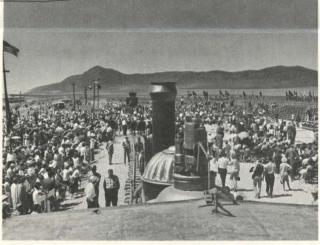
# CENTENNIAL SCENES

EMPLOYES INFORMATION LETTER



UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD

This photo re-creates an original scene taken by A. J. Russell just before the golden spike was driven. This picture was taken prior to the re-enactment of that historical moment, May 10, 1969.



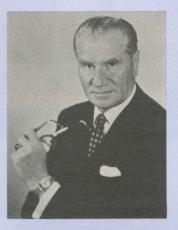
This was the scene shortly after the ceremonies at Promontory. The photo is very similar to one taken a century ago by Russell and featured in the May INFO. Nearly 12,000 people were on hand at Promontory for the occasion.



Old No. 8444 played one of the starring roles in Utah. Pictured here leaving Ogden, the old locomotive made four round trips between Ogden and Salt Lake City, pulling twenty coaches. In four days, almost 3,250 passengers made the round trip.



Another historic meeting of locomotives was staged in Utah during 1969—this time in Ogden. This photo was taken when denizens from the past posed with a behemoth of the future.



## THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Union Pacific employes traditionally enjoy a great camaraderie. This kinship is one of the many reasons that we are truly the "Union Pacific Family." Each member of this family, as at his home, recognizes his place and his function.

This closely knit group provides each member with a variety of opportunities which he might not otherwise have. Nowhere was this kinship more evident than at the Junior Old Timers' Annual Convention held May 25-28 at Sun Valley, Idaho.

Mrs. Bailey and I were fortunate to be able to attend a portion of the convention this year. I found it very invigorating to be able to leave the office for a few days, and, like all the other delegates and representatives, enjoy the cool, crisp mountain air. This is doubly rewarding when your time is spent in the company of loyal employes who are enjoying themselves renewing old friendships and engaging in their favorite pastimes. Sun Valley offered both—refreshing surroundings and employes occupied with a variety of activities.

For me, mingling with this group of Union Pacific employes confirms my belief that the future of this company is most promising.

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## UPLAND BUYS OMAHA PROPERTY

Upland Industries Corporation, a subsidiary of Union Pacific, purchased the property of the Omaha Loan and Building Association at Fifteenth and Dodge Streets in Omaha, according to an announcement made May 16, by John W. Godfrey, chief executive officer of the land division.

Godfrey said acquisition of the property, immediately west of the headquarters building, was part of the company's continuing program of increasing activity in real estate and land development both on and off UP lines. He said a market research study is now under way to determine the highest and best use for the property. Its use will conform completely with the core development which is in progress in downtown Omaha.

## SERVICE AWARDS PROVE POPULAR

The service award program begun in January of this year has met with tremendous success. Distribution of the awards is now nearly complete. There are still some shortages due to the large number of employes in certain experience brackets. However, these supply problems should be solved in the very near future.

Many, many employes have written responses in appreciation of their awards. We thought it might be appropriate to include some of these comments.

"In behalf of my family and myself, I would like to thank the Union Pacific for my award and for the privilege of working these past years for a fine company." North Platte

"The pin is beautiful. I am proud to wear it." —Seattle

"In our age of electronic computers and digital identification, it is refreshing to receive personal recognition."—Findlay, Ohio

"I shall wear the pin with pride and gratitude." —Denver

"I consider it a privilege and an honor to wear the pin."—Pocatello

"The pins are beautiful."-Las Vegas.

## J.O.T.'s STAGE ANNUAL MEET

May 25-28 marked the Junior Old Timers' 31st Annual Convention. Held at Sun Valley, Idaho, it was attended by nearly four hundred people. A special train ran from Pocatello to Ketchum, carrying the sleeping cars full of delegates and guests from all points of the system.

One of the high points of the convention came at the banquet on the night of Wednesday, May 28, when E. H. Bailey, president, served as the guest speaker.

Elected to new offices in the Junior Old Timers were: president, Thomas Gilkey, LaGrande; vice president, Stephen Brooks, Whittier, California; secretary-treasurer, Jack Dennis, Arvada, Colorado; past president, J. Robert Preston, Kansas City; and alternate, Jack Sanford, Cheyenne.

Newly elected officers of the Junior Old Timers Auxiliary are: president, Gerry Zawacki, Kansas City; vice president, Joanne Jennings, North Platte; secretary-treasurer, Connie Keetch, Las Vegas; past president, Sophie Crawford, Cheyenne; and alternate, Helen Sherwood, Milford, Utah.

#### HAVE YOU SEEN THIS PHOTO?



The May, 1969, issue of *Modern Railroads*, featuring Union Pacific, carried this photo on its cover. The freight is passing a tie renewal gang at Neels, Utah. The photo is the work of one of UP's fine photographers, Jack Storek.

## EXPO TRAIN VISITORS PASS QUARTER MILLION MARK



Ken Gates, exhibit manager, presents Mrs. Roxanne Nightengale with a plaque honoring her as the Golden Spike Centennial Expo Train's 250,000th visitor.

The 250,000th visitor passed through the Centennial Expo Train on June 9, while the train was located in Topeka, Kansas. The visitor, Mrs. Roxanne Nightengale, wife of a Santa Fe employe and resident of Topeka, received a small plaque, recognizing her visit.

Ken Gates, the exhibit manager, reports that the display has created an unusual amount of enthusiasm wherever it has gone. In some of the smaller towns, the number of visitors has been greater than the total population. Some of the visitors have driven many miles just to see the exhibit.

#### DID YOU KNOW ...

U.S. rail lines serve about 55,000 communities over 215,000 miles of right-of-way. They operate about 5,000 trains each day.

#### EMPLOYE REUNITED WITH WARTIME ORPHAN



Bill Bischof and Paulette Reinhardt were reunited after nearly twenty-five years. They first met during World War II when Bischof was an American GI and she was a 6-year-old French orphan.

On April 17, in Las Vegas, Nevada, a reunion took place which sealed a bond of devotion between an American GI and a little French orphan girl which began in war-torn Europe a quarter of a century ago. Former Sergeant William Bischof, now a 54-year-old UP electrician in Omaha, arrived that morning to keep a long-standing date with Paulette Reinhardt, whom he last saw in France in November 1945, when she was six.

Bischof befriended the orphan, Paulette Feys then, though he could speak no French and Paulette no English. In November 1945, Bischof said goodbye and returned to the United States.

The bond was broken—for a while. However, Paulette never ceased to hope that she would see her Sergeant again. In 1955, when she was 16, she came to this country to visit friends.

She then began a fruitless search for Bischof through various government agencies, the Army, the Defense Department, the Veterans Administration, and even the FBI. A blind ad in a veterans' publication finally brought results—an address.

After an exchange of letters, Bischof went to Las Vegas for the happy reunion. Paulette is now married to William Reinhardt, an aircraft mechanic, and has an 8-year-old son, Billy.

## UPREHA INFORMATION

The Union Pacific Railroad Employes Hospital Association has requested that the following information, in the form of an often-asked question and its answer, be furnished to all readers of INFO. From time to time, similar procedural and informational items will be provided in this space.

QUESTION: Must I, an Association member, pay Hospital Association dues while on personal or sick leave of absence?

ANSWER: Yes—under the regulations in effect since May 5, 1967, if you are a *non-operating employe*, you must pay your dues by the 20th of the month following the last month you worked or received vacation pay, and by the 5th of each month thereafter. If you are an *operating employe*, you must pay within five days of the second month following the last month you worked or received vacation pay.

#### NARBW MEETS IN TUCSON

The National Association of Railway Business Women held its 25th Annual Convention in Tucson, Arizona, May 19-22. Nearly 400 members were in attendance.

Member chapters compete annually for awards in two major categories, Public Affairs and Safety. The Kansas City Chapter, UP employe Ruth Malloney, president, won first place in both categories. The Omaha Chapter, Emma I. Nelson, president, won the third place prize in Safety and captured fourth place in Public Affairs.

Among the clubs receiving citations for outstanding work in membership recruitment were Kansas City, Omaha and Pocatello.

## U.P. JR. ACHIEVEMENT TEAMS FIRST IN OMAHA



Fifteen of HAPCO's sixteen members are pictured here with a sample of their product. The group produced and sold 605 "mini-swingers." Jack Schlueter (fifth from right, rear) was management adviser to HAPCO.

Top awards were won by Omaha Junior Achievement companies and achievers in companies sponsored by Union Pacific during the past school year. This year, Union Pacific sponsored five such companies in Omaha.

UP sponsored HAPCO, which manufactured an adult toy called the mini-swinger, won the Company of the Year trophy from among the 50 student-run companies. Jack Schlueter from the accounting department was the management adviser to the company.

Members of two other UP sponsored companies, SATIS-FACTORY and SMOKO, walked away with the top individual awards at an award banquet. This is the second year in a row that members of Union Pacific sponsored companies have won the top awards.

Management and production advisers furnished in addition to Schlueter were Darle Erickson, Subby Gulizia, Don Sahl, Jim Strilka, Lee Higginbotham, Jerry Reynolds, Frank Fillebeck, and Don Adams, all from the accounting department. Jim Parkhill from the traffic department was coordinating adviser.



The old locomotives accompanying the Expo Car rate as a solid success with the small fry—especially when you can ring the bell!

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Dr. Reno C. Pretti is Vice President-Marketing, Union Pacific Railroad Company.

Pretti was born and reared in Glenwood Springs, Colorado, on the west slope of the Rockies. He grew up on a ranch in the Glenwood Springs area and attended grade

and high schools there. His grandparents were early pioneers of the Glenwood Springs area at the time the Ute Indians were still harassing the gold and silver miners, and homesteaders. He is the son of the late John Pretti and Reketta Pretti of Glenwood Springs.

Pretti is an economist by profession. He graduated from St. Benedict's College, Atchison, Kansas, where he received a B.A. degree (Magna Cum Laude) in economics. He pursued graduate studies in economics and statistics at the graduate school of Georgetown University, Washington, D. C. He received both M.A. and Ph.D. degrees in economics at that institution. He received his doctoral degree in 1952.

He is married to the former Jo Ann Anderson of

Lincoln, Nebraska. They have three children, Ann Renee, 17; Scott, 14; and John, 11.

Pretti's business career started with Colorado Fuel & Iron Corporation, Pueblo, Colorado, where he started out as a Junior Accountant in the Comptroller's Office. He was later employed as a Business Economist for the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, revising the U.S. Consumer Price Index.

He joined Union Pacific in 1953 with the Accounting Department in Omaha, Nebraska. He served in various capacities in that department including Junior Accountant, Accountant, Economist and Assistant to the General Auditor. In 1963 he set up the Department of Cost and Economic Research and was made Director of that department. He was elected to his present position of Vice President-Marketing on June 1, 1968.

He is a member of several professional economic societies and transportation and traffic associations. He is the author of several articles on economic and statistical subjects. His extra-curricular activities and diversions are primarily associated with the out-of-doors and ranch life. These interests range from skiing, hiking, fishing, horseback riding and mountain climbing.



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