

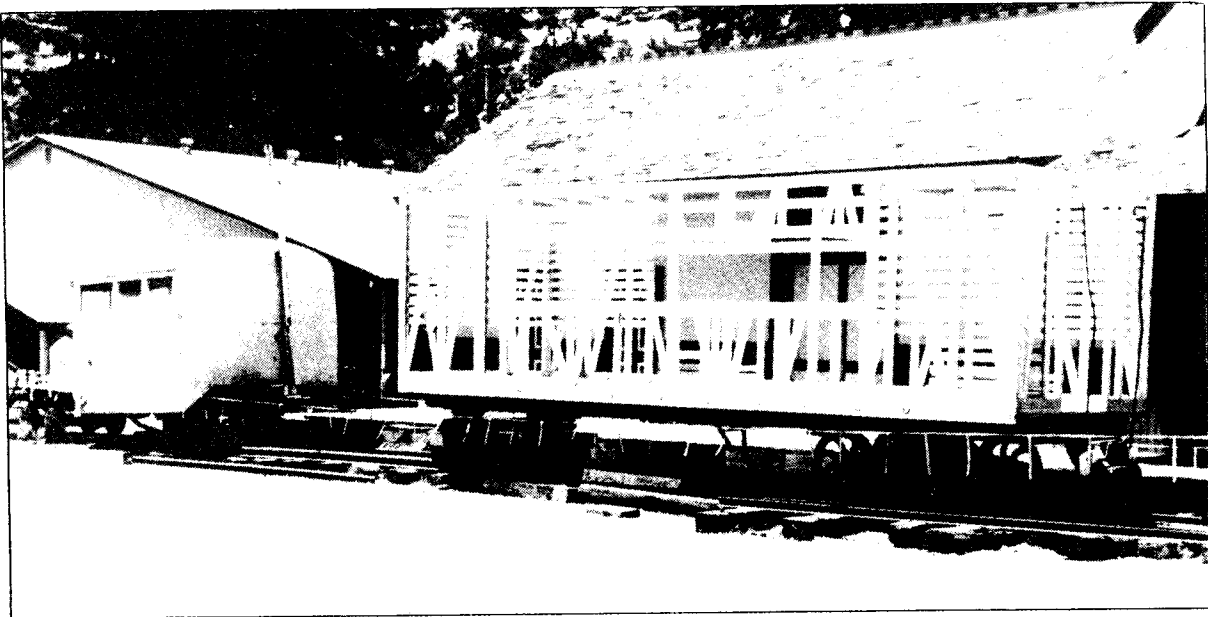
Track N' Feathers

I HELPED REVIVE

**RIO GRANDE
SOUTHERN**

GALLOPING GOOSE #5

The Galloping Goose Historical Society of Dolores, Inc. Summer 1997



Restoration Summary as of July 17, 1997

To date, during the Restoration of #5, 24 volunteers have volunteered over 1,000 hours of labor to the cause. The majority of the work is done by the main volunteer crew of about seven, Wayne Brown, Terry and Steve Holley, Jim Granflaten, Richard Byrd, John Molder and Lew Matis. Several local businessmen jump right in whenever needed and are very generous with their equipment, time and expertise as needed. Pat Burn shows up with his large fork lift when needed, and Debbie Edwards of Superior Interiors loans us to her forklift. Welder Dennis Neeley assists Wayne after work hours with the structural rebuilding of the rear bus frame and fifth wheel. Val Trulsen with tools, equipment and expertise in the lumber and rail industry is an asset to have on our team. The engine that hasn't started for 46 years is started by John Moulder, and all in attendant are in amazement and tears. Dart Nielson with Frontier Contracting discounts many shop hours to rebuild the worn axels and bearing blocks. John Kennedy donates shop profits to bending freight box top bows. People of the area are happy to see the Goose work progress. Newspaper coverage continues and a regional newspaper carries a story about the restoration. After reading the story Brennan Oil donates a 55 gallon drum of journal oil to the cause. A source for packing comes from the Durango and Silverton Narrow Gauge Railroad. The work continues to continue and the people doing the job have smiles and even happy smirks on their faces as they go along because they love the cause. The framework goes up. The next step is to replace the skin. It is a good thing we made detailed notations and Terry Holley can decipher it all. ----AND----with member support and the grant from the Colorado Historical Society, we can continue.