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ALL ABOARD FOR MARELCO RANCHO - SUNDAY JULY 20TH

Instead of the regular meeting this month we have planned a family frolic at that enchanting spot located some 28 miles west of Portland in lush timber country of central Washington county known far and wide as Marelco Rancho.

TIME - Sunday, July 20th. Plan on arriving after 12:30 P.M. and enjoy a real outing in Damon Trout's land of mirth and recreation. And don't forget to bring your food.

DIRECTIONS TO MARELCO RANCHO - Out Sunset Highway to North Plains, Jct. (blinker light), turn right on North Plains road (do not cross railroad tracks). Continue to Mountindale, make right turn just past store. Continue about 1-1/2 miles and then on gravel road to left that goes up. Follow to Marelco Rancho.

THE Sagacity OF THE NORTH WESTERN

Changes in legislation are not the oracle to the woes of the railroads nor the blueprint for survival.

The railroads can do much to help themselves as exemplified by the Chicago and North Western Railway.

Yes, a revolution rides the North Western rails. Nancy Ford provides an illustrious discourse in Modern Railroads concerning North Western's "new look," a revelation of what one railroad is doing to rejuvenate its property. "What are They Doing to North Western" by William D. Middleton - 15 pages in June TRAINS, must be read to fully realize the great transformation taking place on the North Western.

The toughest roadbeds in the world are expected to come from the Pink Lady, a stone quarry one mile north of Rock Springs, Wisconsin. The 75 acre mountain of Baraboo quartzite was bought last year by the North Western road to provide top quality ballast for its operations in nine states. It is expected to take care of the railroad's ballast needs as far ahead as can be reasonable estimated. The North Western chose the quartzite, the first railroad in the country to do so, because it is harder than granite and most durable of all common rock. It doesn't break down into dust, which is one of the main problems of diesel engine maintenance. The name of the quarry comes from the small iron oxide content which gives the stone a pinkish cast

PROFESSOR SANDHOUSER

One good way to save face is to keep the lower half of it shut. We are all manufacturers - making good, making trouble, or making excuses.

If we pass our national debt on to the next generation, it will be the end of ancestor worship.