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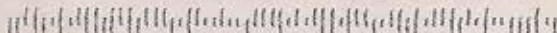
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TWO PHOTOS: JERRY DAY

C-18 and K-27 Doublehead on Cumbres & Toltec; Work Train Features Pile Driver

CHAMA STEAM RAN ITS FIRST photo charter of the season over the Cumbres & Toltec Scenic Railroad on May 17-19. On Saturday May 17, Denver & Rio Grande Western C-18 Consolidation No. 315 was featured on a work train out of Antonito, Colo., that included pile driver OB (right), which was powered by steam from the locomotive. The temporary steam line can be seen extending forward from the locomotive's steam dome. The train went west to Lava Loop, where 315 turned and the consist continued to Big Horn Wye, where the pile driver was demonstrated by driving a pile into the ground. At Big Horn, K-27 2-8-2 No. 463 passed the work extra on its way to Osier. On its return to Antonito, the Mudhen met Work Extra 315 at Sublette. The work train continued on to Osier and Cascade trestle before returning to Osier for the night.

The next day No. 315 led a freight east to Toltec siding, making a number of runbys on the way, and returned to Osier with the engine running in reverse. After lunch the freight continued west to Los Pinos siding and once again, returned to Osier for the night. On Monday No. 315 returned the work train to Antonito, making a good number of photo stops along the way.

Then on May 24, Nos. 315 and 463 (above) doubleheaded the first C&T excursion of the regular season and are shown just west of Antonito. The former Florence & Cripple Creek 2-8-0 was restored to service by the Durango Railroad Historical Society beginning in 2001 and made its first run in 2007 after 57 years of retirement. No. 463 had been owned by cowboy actor Gene Autry, who donated it to the City of



Antonito. In 1994 it was restored to operation by the Cumbres & Toltec Scenic. Sister "Mudhen" No. 464 is preserved at the Huckleberry Railroad in Flint, Mich., following its second career at Knott's Berry Farm in California.

Chama Steam has scheduled two more weekends of steam charters for this autumn; visit www.chamasteam.com for details.