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COVER

Crown Willamette Paper Co. Shay # 11 stood derelict for years near Cathlamet, Washington. The photo was taken in the early 50's from the tender deck of a Porter 2-8-2. The engines were scrapped by 1959.

C.H. Givens Photo

ROBERT'S RAMBLINGS

I have had several letters recently requesting information on the best way to prepare material for **THE GAZETTE**. In the case of photographs the best is a clear sharp 5 x 7 print with good contrast. It does not have to be glossy, but it should not be silk finish. We can work from the standard commercial 3 x 5 print and in some cases have used Poloroid prints. However, Poloroids are usually not acceptable. You should move in as close as possible on your photos. You also need to make sure your name is on the back of each photograph so we do not lose it. Captions are best typed on a separate sheet in the form used below the photographs appearing in **THE GAZETTE**. Note how the credit line is written. If you write out your caption we will not have to re-do it. Also it helps if you number each caption and then put a corresponding number on the back of the appropriate print.

Copy is best typed. Leave about a ½ inch left hand margin for notes to the typesetter. We find that four double spaced sheets will set into one full page of type. It helps if you will number and title each page of your manuscript. This does not mean you must have your material in this form for acceptance. It merely means that these steps make it easier for us to handle your articles.

Drawings are best done in ink. We can use sharp, dark pencil drawings but they may not reproduce well. Good clean Xerox copies can be used if absolutely necessary. We can also reproduce original blueprints at our

reproduction facility so do not hesitate to send these in.

Your articles do not have to be long ones. If you can put together four pages of copy plus a few photographs you will have a nice sized item for **THE GAZETTE**.

We need construction articles and material on techniques used to construct models. Descriptions of prototype items which have modelling appeal would be useful. Two foot material is needed. Descriptions of individual or sets of models would be welcome.

We also need photographs for "The Gallery." We have very little HO or HOn3 material for our picture section. We are using most of what comes in. We do have several HO-HOn3 articles in the wings but we need many more.

THE GAZETTE also can use more Colorado material and more eastern standard gauge and narrow gauge information. We have two layout plans on file so descriptions of layouts would be helpful.

Remember to take a moment and think of what you can contribute to **THE GAZETTE**. If even 1/10 of you sent in an article we would have the **GAZETTE** full for many years.

Incidentally, we are now paying for material. While our pay schedule is not great it is enough to add to your model building budget. Please give it some thought.

Bob Brown

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