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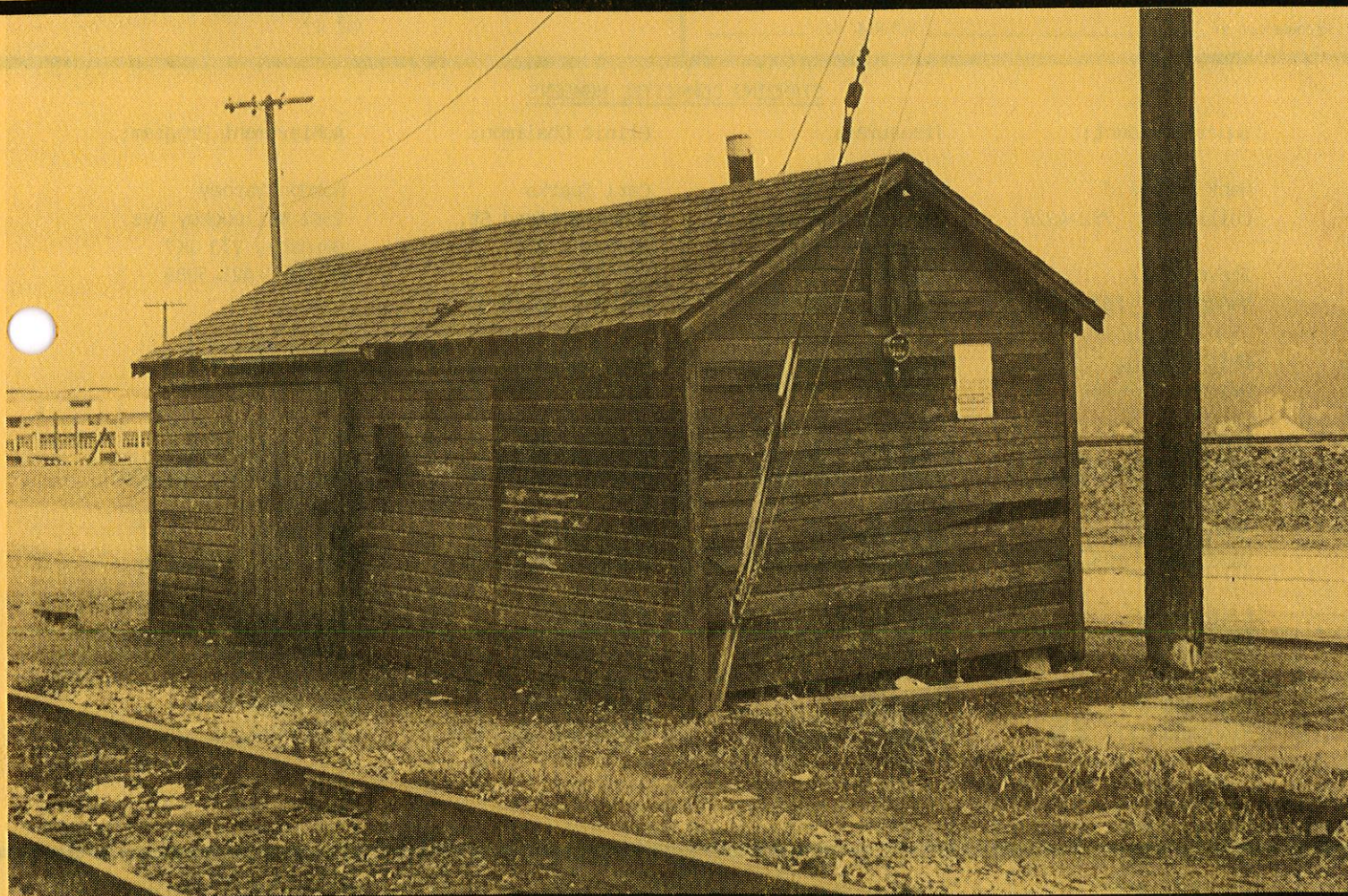


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EDITORS: PHIL MAGNALL & BRIAN RUDKO
 Assistance: Scott Calvert

We are pleased to present another set of Scott Calvert drawings this month, this time for the ubiquitous Canadian Pacific Railway handcar shed. The building is an excellent beginner's project, as well as an authentic touch and identification piece for the serious CPR modeller. We hope to see a few photographs of members' efforts so that we may publish them in a future issue.

Also in this issue is a ballot in regard to a proposed constitution change: PLEASE READ IT AND VOTE! This is important for the 7th Division, and we need your response. Standing Committee member and lawyer, Steve Stark, explains it all on page four.

Editorial

A WORD TO THE READY-TO-RUN SET

When I was bitten by the model railroad bug back in 1969, it was immediately apparent that there would be one major constraint on my pursuit of the hobby. As a 15 year old, my financial resources consisted solely of what I could save out of the \$3.60 I received each week for six hours of delivering prescriptions on my bicycle, making me loathe to part with much more than about five dollars at a time, and that infrequently. But while a new locomotive or a half-dozen turnouts to upgrade the old train set were out of the question, I found I could get a great deal of mileage from my money if I cared to construct my own buildings and equipment. A 50¢ Model Railroader would often provide several inspirations for projects, and send me bussing up to the hobby store after school for a sheet of scribed wood or a couple of detail castings. As often as not, however, my requests for a certain material or item seen in the magazines were met with "We had some once and it took three years to sell it off..." or "...just no call for that at all..." and even "Nobody scratchbuilds any more"!

I thought the latter claim was a bit dubious, what with all those beautiful models I saw in MR, (some made by local people), but had to wait many years to see stores stocking a good selection of parts for builders in response to a slowly growing demand. It seemed most of the "serious" modellers were mail-ordering parts or taking weekend jaunts down to Seattle to stock up! Despite the difficulties for a kid my age, I persevered and learned of the special satisfaction that comes from making something of worth from raw materials and your own ingenuity. My first efforts were less than spectacular, but I eventually learned enough that I found employment as a professional model maker several years later.

Today, at shows and behind a hobby store counter, I am continuously surprised at the number of "model railroaders" I encounter who haven't the faintest interest in anything that can't be bought ready-to-run. Some even shy away from plastic kits! The idea of scratchbuilding is as remote to them as that of jumping off a bridge. "My eyes won't let me do that kind of work" say fellows without glasses, as I raise my eyebrows from behind thick lenses. "My hands shake too much..." Well so do everybody's! That's why there are rulers, squares, sanding blocks, calipers, and a hundred tips and tricks designed to make it easier. Anyway, no one is going to inspect your work and grade it unless you want to enter it in a contest!

Those of us who show off our work on occasion aren't out to intimidate others, but to try to open up one of the most enjoyable facets of the hobby to them, so don't be bashful if you've never so much as built a stack of lumber. Nowadays the stores have what you need to get started with an absolute minimum of difficulty.

I won't insist that to enjoy the hobby one must be a scratchbuilder, but to me it's one of the aspects that separates model railroading from playing with toy trains. Even if you only build a wood fence, you owe it to yourself to give it a try.

Phil Magnall

VERNON SHOW IS ALMOST HERE

A reminder to anyone intending to take in Craigellachie Capers in Vernon April 5 but who has not yet registered that time grows short! Dig out the January BB and get a copy of the form in to Pat Quain. This is one of the division's big events of the year and is well worth attending whether you're a newcomer to the hobby or an aspiring Master Model Railroader.

VHOMRC WANTS YOU!

Vancouver's only true model railroad club, in the traditional sense, elected its new officers for this year in January. President of The Vancouver HO Model Railway Club is Vies Szalanski (581-8937), V.P. is Jim Bower (591-9825) and secretary/treasurer is Malcolm Anderson (278-8473).

This is the well-known "CNR Station" club on the fifth floor of that building (1150 Station Street), and is open to the public from 8 PM to 10 PM on the last Friday of each month. There are membership openings available at present for those who would like to be involved in the building and operation of a large, up-to-date layout.

NANAIMO MEET ON READY TRACK

The details have been finalized for the Vancouver Island Spring Meet on Sunday, April 21. It will run from 10 AM to 5 PM at Beban Park Rec Centre, 230 Bowen Road, Nanaimo, with admission fees of \$3.00 for members and \$5.00 for non-members. The clinics and contests referred to last issue have been set out as follows:

- Clinics
- Airbrush painting with Paul Mayner
 - Constant intensity lighting with Don Forsyth.
 - Building a wood trestle with Gordon Varney; another participation clinic with kits available at \$3.00 (bring your tools!)
 - Kalmbach videos.

- Contests (public vote)
- Favorite train
 - Favorite model: building, locomotive, non-revenue car, revenue car categories.

A swap-and-shop area will be available as well, and layout tours arranged for the evening. Sounds like a great way to spend a Sunday! (Further info: Paul Mayner in Nanaimo, 758-2638).

FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT'S DESK

September 16th was the date of the P.N.R. Board of Directors I.C. meeting in PORTLAND. The 7th Division was represented by Shirley and Rob Heap, our office managers, and by myself. Future Switchlists will keep you all up to date as to what's new in the P.N.R.

As I have had several requests for a list of names of past recipients of the Ross Herriot Memorial Gold Spike Award, here it is:

1968	FRANK McKINNEY	1976	NO RECORD
1969	NORM SZUN	1977	KEN VERE
1970	PHIL CRAWLEY	1978	KEN GRIFFITHS
1971	DOUG HARMEN	1979	NO RECORD
1972	CYRIL MEADOWS	1980	ART JONES
1973	DOUG STEVENSON	1981	HANK MENKVELD
1974	NO RECORD	1982	TOM BEATON
1975	FRASER WILSON	1983	GEORGE BEIL
		1984	BRIAN PATE

*PHIL MAGNAN 86
CARL SPARKES 87*

The years with no record are due either to Frank McKinney being out of the country or to the fact that nobody took the trouble of nominating somebody.

Those who attended the February clinic will certainly agree that it was once more a great success. Thanks again to Gordon Varney for donating the kits for the loading dock.

HANK

Now that good plastic models of the ALCO RS-3 are available in both HO and N scale, you may be thinking of adding one to your fleet. May we suggest using the BCR's RS-3's as a prototype? Not only does the BCR roster 11 active RS-3's, (CTC Board, Jan/85), but they have also begun to phase out the familiar two-tone green, and now is the time to get some photos of this paint scheme.

Greg Kennelly has supplied his formulas for the BCR paint scheme using Floquil paints. These were prepared using paint chips and were devised to give a match under artificial lighting.

Light Green:

- 1 part RR11 (Reefer white)
- 3 parts RR12 (Reefer grey)
- 3 parts RR41 (Light green)
- 3 parts RR48 (Coach green)

Dark Green:

- 1 part RR10 (Engine black)
- 1 part RR31 (Reefer yellow)
- 4 parts RR40 (Dark green)

andrails:

- 1 part RR30 (Reefer orange)
- 11 parts RR31 (Reefer yellow)

For best results Greg suggests that you lighten these colors 10 to 1 (color to white) before applying them.

Unfortunately, there are no decal sets for this project in either HO or N scale. However, it should be possible to "kitbash" a set of HO decals from existing offerings by Herald King and Walthers. If anyone has done this, please drop us a line with the information and we will pass it on in a future issue.

Number 565 (the unit pictured) was originally fitted with 6 wheel A1A trucks, but was retrucked to B B in the mid-1950's.



Brian Rudko

CONSTITUTION CHANGE BALLOT

On March 3, 1983, the Seventh Division, Pacific Northwest Region, National Model Railroad Association was incorporated as a Society in British Columbia. The object of the incorporation was in part to legalize the Seventh Division's standing as a separate entity in British Columbia for purposes of ownership, limited liability and insurance and to enable Seventh Division to obtain charitable status pursuant to the provisions of the Income Tax Act. Negotiations have been underway with Revenue Canada for many months, as a result of which it is now prepared to consider granting charitable status to the Seventh Division provided that the Constitution of the Seventh Division Society is amended as set out below. The Directors of the Society have given Revenue Canada their undertaking to obtain the amendment of the Society's constitution to conform with this approved form.

The Directors are therefore asking the membership by mail ballot contained in the Bulletin Board to approve this change. This ballot must be received by Greg Kennelly, 7739 Gray Avenue, Burnaby, V5J 3Z7 by June 9, 1985, the date of the annual general meeting in order to be counted.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT paragraph 2 of the Constitution of the Society be amended to read as follows:

"2. The purposes of the Society are:

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| <p>(a) to promote and encourage historical awareness of the role of railways, both prototype and model, in British Columbia;</p> <p>(b) to promote and encourage the retention and creation of railway structures, rolling stock, rights of way and artifacts both prototype and model for historical purposes, and the recording of same by all media forms;</p> <p>(c) to acquire reference material relating to the development, con-</p> | <p>struction and operation of railways, both prototype and model, including material in the areas of civil engineering, geography, geology, electronics, architecture, botany and politics;</p> <p>(d) to offer educational programs to the public regarding railways, both prototype and model, relating to their history, development, construction and operation;</p> <p>(e) to promote and encourage association with other organizations both incorporated and unincorporated, in Canada and in foreign countries, having similar aims to the Society, in whole or in part".</p> |
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YES ☐

NO ☐

★ ★ IT'S CONTEST TIME! ★ ★

The 7th Division Bulletin Board is proud to announce the First Great Model Railroader's Trivia Contest! You could win one of three new releases from The Boston Mills Press by correctly answering the questions below. Read the rules carefully, and you will see there is an advantage in getting your entry in to us as soon as possible. Mail it to

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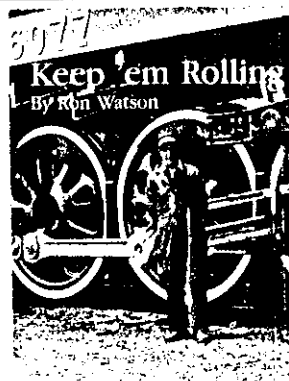
★ THREE BOOK PRIZES ★

Get your memory on track and go to it!

1. What scale ratio is TT scale?
2. What gauge does regular O scale sectional track scale out to?
3. Name two other manufacturers of geared locomotives (prototype) than the big three of Shay, Heisler, and Climax.
4. What was the N&W's Jawn Henry?
5. What is the wheel arrangement of a Challenger?
6. Where does the name "Kadee" come from?
7. Who was the "Empire Builder"?
8. Where was the Monson Railroad?
9. What gauge are Newfoundland's trains?
10. What is the slippery plastic used in model couplers and trucks called?
11. Who founded Model Railroader Magazine?
12. To what does the designation "X2f" refer?
13. North American N scale is 1:160, but what is British N?
14. What animal was featured in the old Pacific Great Eastern Logo?
15. What is 'Q' scale?
16. What is the more common name for a 'MacArthur' loco wheel arrangement?
17. What was Astrac?
18. Which railroad "Follows the tracks of the bear"?
19. In the diesel designation SD-40T-2, what does the T stand for?
20. What was the name of model railroad pioneer Frank Ellison's model railroad system?

★ RULES:

1. Only members in good standing of the 7th Division, PNR, may enter, with one entry per member.
2. Members in arrears may, this one time only, enclose their renewal fees with their entry in order to qualify. Anyone wishing to join the PNR for the first time should complete the form on page one and enclose it and required fees with their entry.
3. All entries must be typed or neatly written on one sheet of full-size (8 1/2 x 11) paper. Answers should be kept as brief and succinct as possible.
4. Prizes will be awarded as follows:
 - a) first prize: a drawing will be made from all entries received by March 29, 1985, which have all 20 answers correct. If none have 20 correct, all those having 19 correct will form the drawing pool, or similarly, 18, 17, etc., as may be required.



KEEP 'EM ROLLING

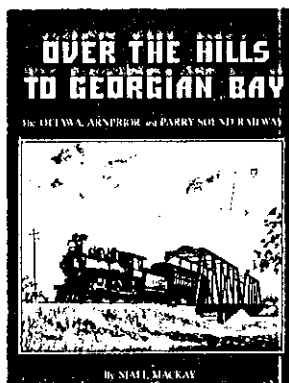
The Story of Toronto's Spadina Roundhouse
by Ron Watson

Harry Watson, author Ron Watson's father worked for a period spanning five decades in the Canadian National Railways' Spadina roundhouse. Watson was also an accomplished photographer and his impressive photo collection tells the story of this historic Toronto landmark during the glory years of steam.

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- b) second prize: a drawing will be made as in 4 a) from entries received by April 5, 1985, plus those entries which formed the first prize drawing pool excluding the winner.
- c) third prize: a drawing will be made as in 4 a) from entries received by April 12, 1985, plus the drawing pools from the two previous draws excluding winners.
5. The judges will be the Bulletin Board editors, whose decision will be final.
6. Winners will be contacted by mail following each draw, and announced in the next Bulletin Board.



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SECOND PRIZE



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Opinion

N-SCALE CAVEAT

Jim Stevens

With the adoption of fine scale standards in N scale, and the various published descriptions of its improved appearance, some may be considering a switch from hi-rail. (Retrofit wheel sets will soon be available). Such persons should be warned that there are risks involved.

Most people will intuitively, and correctly, suspect that fine scale wheels will be less tolerant of dirt and vertical irregularities in track, turnouts and truck components. Apart from these obvious annoyances, there are others lying in wait.

It can be shown, by applied mechanics theory that, when backing around a curve, de-rail of the inside lead wheel of the pushed truck will occur prior to head-end car overturn. This is a direct consequence of the articulation and distribution of forces through the truck mounted couplers conventionally used in N scale. It can also be shown that, in this situation, the fine scale wheel is in the order of three times more prone to de-rail than the hi-rail wheel. The reason lies in the shallower flange and, more particularly, the ogival contour (R.P.25) of the fine scale flange. (The problem doesn't arise in HO because the couplers are body mounted).

All of which is not to say that fine scale won't work - it will. But it will demand better equipment and more meticulous construction and track laying than some may suspect, or be prepared to ensure. It may not be a suitable choice for those who value operability above wheel/track appearance. It would be prudent to experiment with a few wheelsets before deciding whether it is suitable for your layout.

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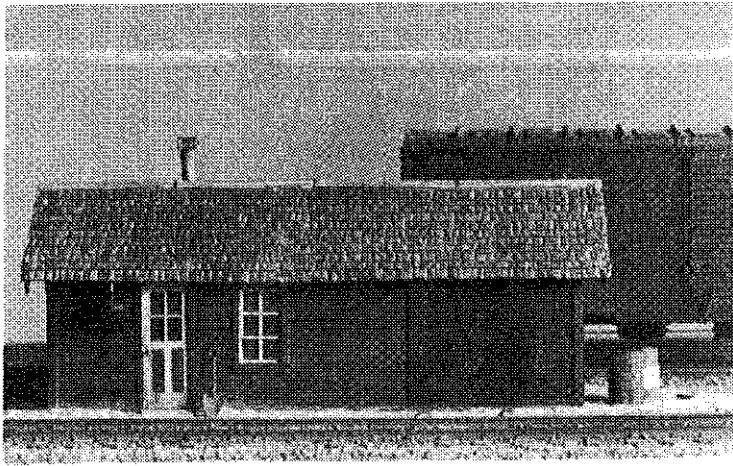
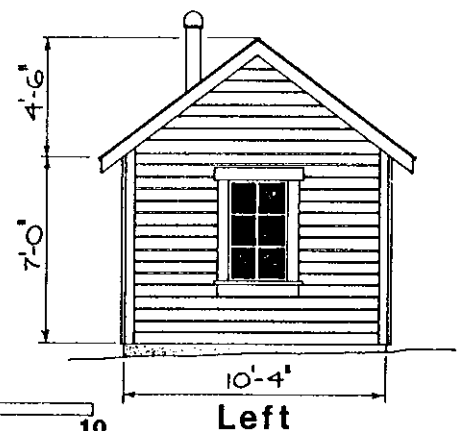
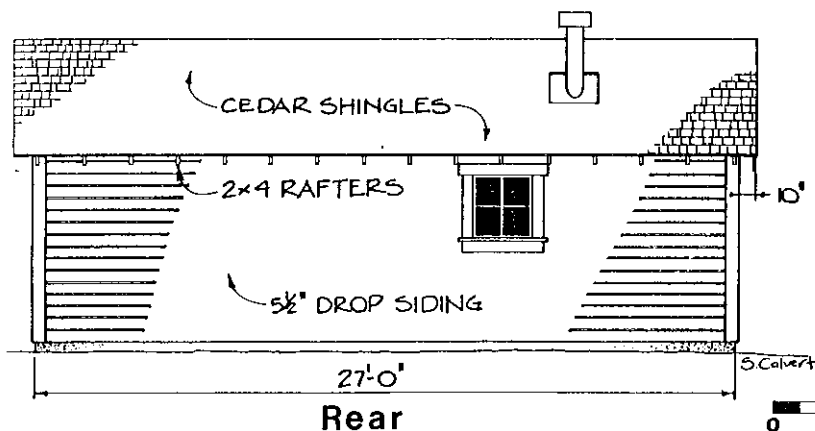
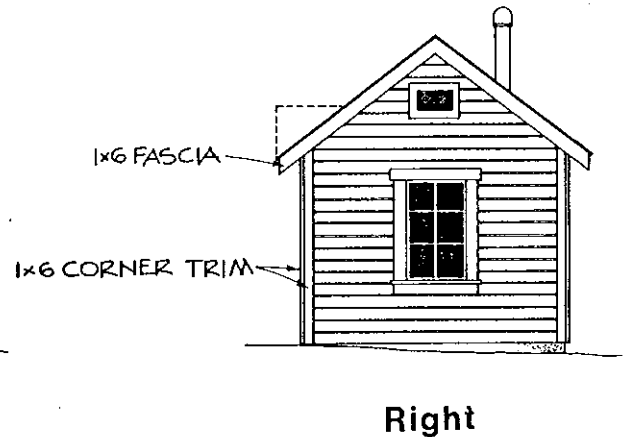
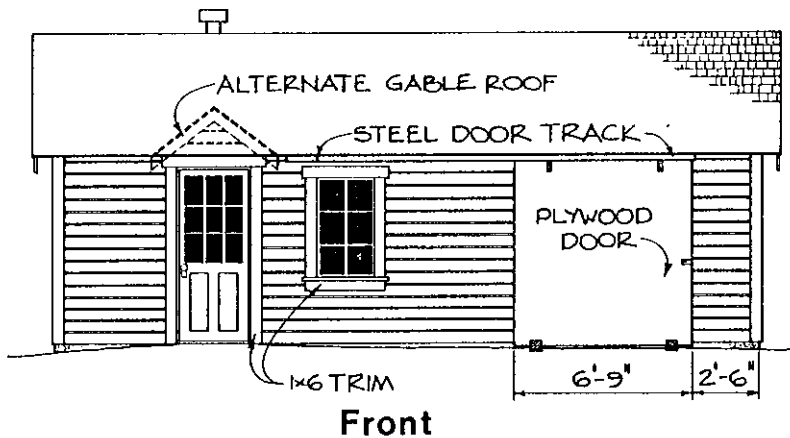


Photo by Brian Rudko

Here is an excellent modelling project for any modeller seeking a relative simple structure to scratchbuild. Through liberal use of commercial parts, this landcar shed can easily be completed in a few evenings.

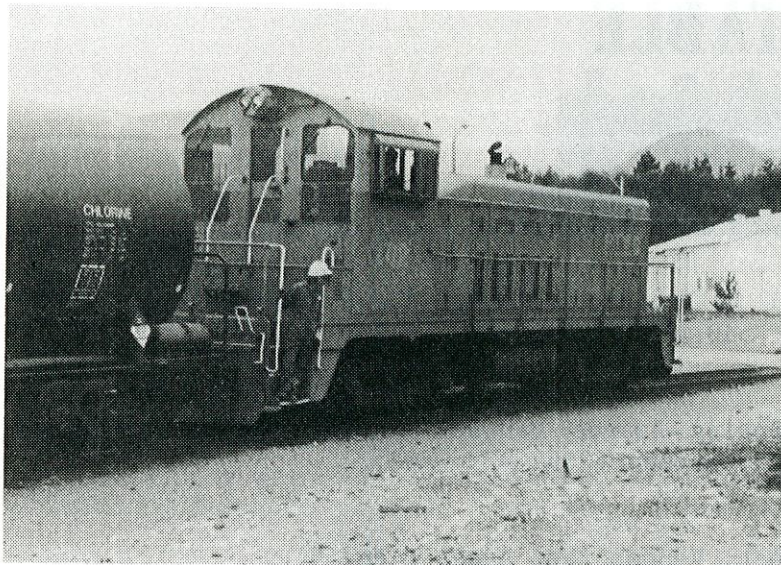
The prototype for the specific shed modelled is located adjacent to the C.P. mainline in Mission, B.C. However, this type of lineside building can be seen at virtually every town along the railway. There are several variations to this shed including the use of metal roofing or asphalt shingles instead of the cedar shingles indicated. Some sheds such as the one in Port Moody also sported the alternate gable roof shown over the man door which produces an interesting roofline.

Drawings and model by Scott Calvert.



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There are two new sources of model railway supplies in town which may be of interest to our readers. The first, Ambleside Hobbies in West Vancouver, has actually been around for a while now, although the name has not yet become a household term. Filling the void left by the demise of the Hobbycraft Centre for north shore hobbyists, business in trains has been brisk enough that owner Glen Matheson has recently turned over a sizeable section of the store to railway modelling.

The second is Steveston Hobbies in that section of Richmond. The modest upstairs store specializes in plastic kits, RC cars, and, most important, new and used railway supplies. Bill Bouzek is the train man in the kind of place you just might find a "real bar-goona!".

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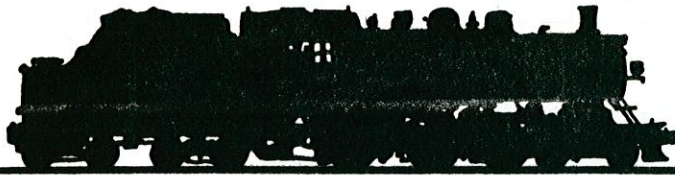
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March 23-24, 1985

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April 5 & 6, 1985

PNR 7th Division Spring Meet, Vernon (see pages 2 and 5)

April 21, 1985

Vancouver Island Spring Meet; Nanaimo, B.C. 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM (location See page 3. For info: Paul Mayner (604) 758-2638

April 27, 1985

Port Townsend/Hadlock Area Model Railroad Show. Info: John Ludwig (206) 385-0341.

May 5, 1985

7th Division Clinic: Subject and location TBA in April issue.

June 9, 1985

7th Division Annual General Meeting

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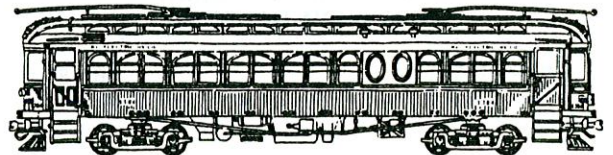
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