

THE MANIFEST August-September 2021



Greetings!

Well our first run day in over a year was very busy. Unfortunately, we had to stop after the second one due to increased COVID restrictions and outbreaks. Many of our volunteers are high risk and did not feel comfortable. So, the Historical Society will not be participating in run days until further notice.

We will still have our meetings, the next one being September 14; however, masks will be required to attend.

Just a quick reminder about membership dues, if you have **not paid your** dues as of yet, please do so **as soon as possible**.

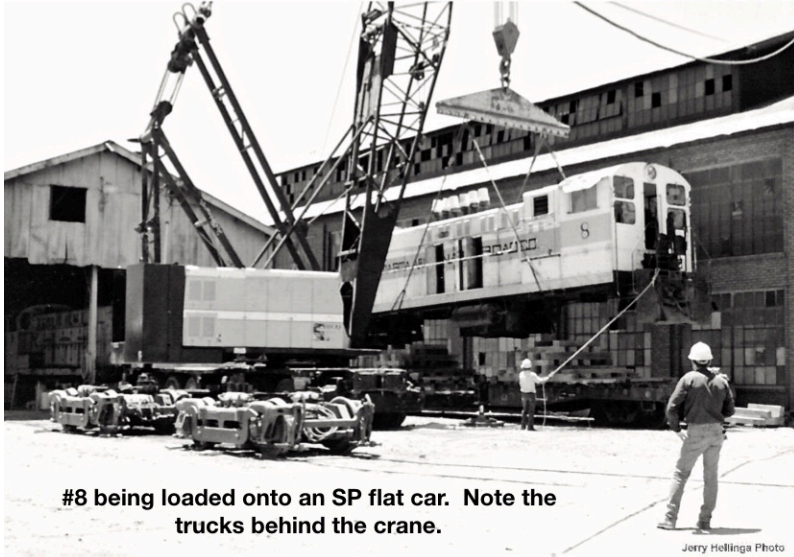
Allen Dobney has created a photo history of the **Medco 8** for this month's newsletter. Thank you Allen.

Our next meeting is September 14, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. in the model railroad building at south end of parking lot at the Railroad Park.

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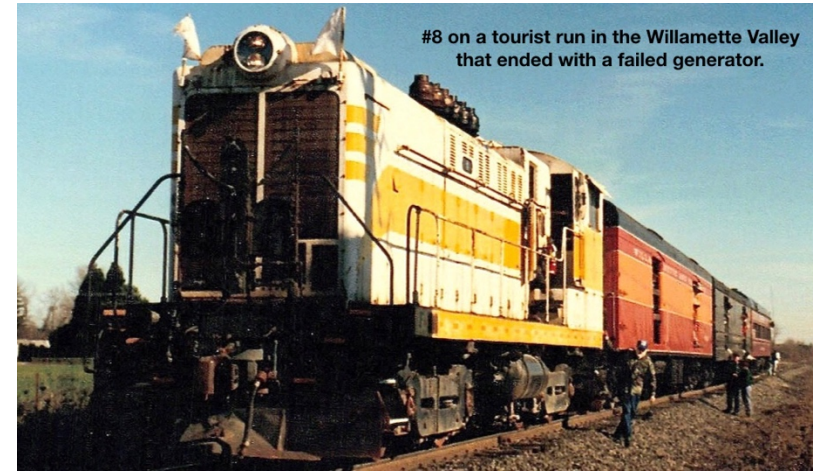
#8 being loaded onto an SP flat car. Note the trucks behind the crane.

Jerry Hellinga Photo



#8 loaded and ready for its trip back to Oregon.

Jerry Hellinga Collection



#8 on a tourist run in the Willamette Valley that ended with a failed generator.



Today #8 is stored serviceable in the Rogue Valley wearing its original paint scheme.

Thank you again Allen for the photo history of the Medco #8. The park was established in 1976, and has grown tremendously since then with the combined efforts of the various organization, and volunteers. We operate because of our volunteers. We will come through this pandemic strong and thrive with your help.

Thank you volunteers who don't get paid, not because they are worthless, but because they are **PRICELESS**