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Left: 1:87 Scale Model B & H RR Yards - looking north - Freight Depot, Lakeview Winery, Wharf Shed, Lyon Brothers Grape Warehouse, Boat House & Keuka Lake.

Below: Similar Scene - looking southeast - circa 1900.



The LSD Spring Meet, April 9, 2011 - Hammondsport, NY

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News from the LSD "Super"

I hope you are looking forward to our Spring Meet in Hammondsport, NY Saturday, April 9. Put the date on your calendar and join us for a great day.

The Meet will be held at the Glenn Curtiss Museum on Rt. 54. The museum will open to the public at 9:00AM. Cost for the day is \$5 for entrance to the Museum. The morning session will be held in the Theater in the Museum. Registration begins at 9:00AM and program should start around 9:20. Coffee and doughnuts will be available as always.

The day will feature the Bath and Hammondsport RR. Both the history of the railroad as well as modeling the Bath and Hammondsport will be presented. We hope this interesting series of clinics will give you some ideas for researching and developing your own Model Railroad.

We have two contests for you to enter. One will be a Popular Choice model contest. Bring a favorite one of yours to enter. The other will be a Model Photo Contest. The first prizewinner will have their photograph featured on the cover of an upcoming Lake Shores Limited Newsletter.

The Morning session should end around 12:30PM

After Lunch there will be several things to do and see during the afternoon. In addition to the Glenn Curtiss Museum, Ned Spiller MMR will have his Danby, Ludlow, and Springfield RR open. The Pleasant Valley Winery's HO Scale Layout will be open (they have wine tasting too....) and you can drive by and check out the remaining RR buildings in Hammondsport.

See you at the Meet!

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Lakeshores Division Spring Meet

April 9, 2011

Glenn H. Curtiss Museum - Hammondsport, NY

The Lakeshores Division (LSD) of the NMRA is having their Spring Meet in Hammondsport, NY, April 9, 2011. NMRA members and their guests are welcome.

The Meet will be held at the Glenn H. Curtis Aviation Museum just south of the village of Hammondsport on Route 54. The LSD will have use of the 75 seat theater for the morning. A \$5.00 fee will cover admission to the Museum for the day. No Meet fee.

Activities will start at 9:00am – coffee, donuts and socialization. Then at 9:20am there will be a series of clinics. The first one on the “*History of the Bath and Hammondsport Railroad*” given by Dick Honeyman (Dick Honeyman’s father was President the B & H RR). He has some interesting personal experiences.

The second clinic will be a *Power Point* Presentation on “*Modeling the Bath and Hammondsport Railroad – Hammondsport Yards*” by Dick Senges. Dick will show what the original structures looked like in the early 1900s and how he modeled them on his HO scale model railroad.

There also will be a popular choice model contest, a popular choice photo contest and a raffle. The winner of the photo contest will be published in the *Lake Shores Limited*.

The afternoon activities will include tours the Aviation Museum, Ned Spiller’s HO scale model RR, the B & H RR model railroad at the Pleasant Valley Winery, wine tasting for those interested, and a drive buy look at three of the original Hammondsport buildings – the B & H Passenger Depot, the B & H Engine House and a Hammondsport Power House. We will discuss these three structures in the morning session.

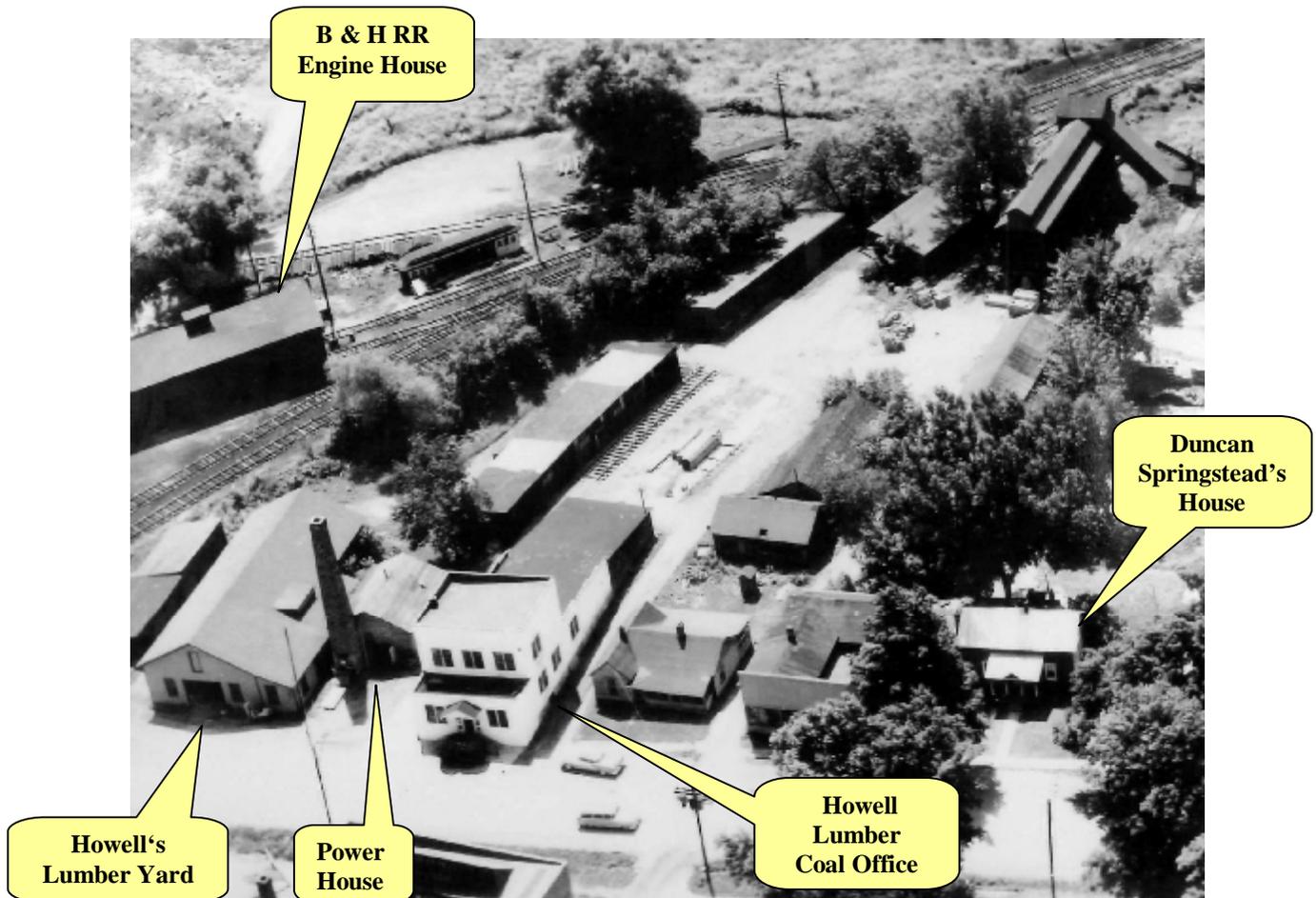
For images of the B & H RR, go to the Home Page of www.OilCreekRailroad.com Go to Photo Gallery, then to the Bath & Hammondsport RR section. For history, go to the “History” section of the website and click on “Jump to the History and Chronology of the Bath & Hammondsport RR” icon for History of the B & H RR. For more B & H RR articles, go to the Index on the Home Page.

Bath and Hammondsport Rail road Hammondsport, NY - The Power House

Part II – The Model

by Richard Senges

In the last issue of the *Lake Shores Limited*, we discussed the history of the Hammondsport, NY Power House from its inception in 1894 to today. This issue shows additional images of the Power House, including the 1:87 scale model, and a drawing.



The image above (looking south east) shows part of Hammondsport, NY, in the mid 1900's. The only structures that remain today (2011) in this photo are the Engine House, the Power House and Duncan Springstead's house. All others are gone. Note the section of the railroad track running north and south which brought coal to the Power House. The railroad tracks that enter the Engine House from the south are still there today. Keuka Lake is to the left (east) of the Engine House.



The front (*above*) of the Power House faces north to Liberty Street. Not much has changed over the last 100 years or so except there are many trees in front of the structure that almost totally block the view in the summer.

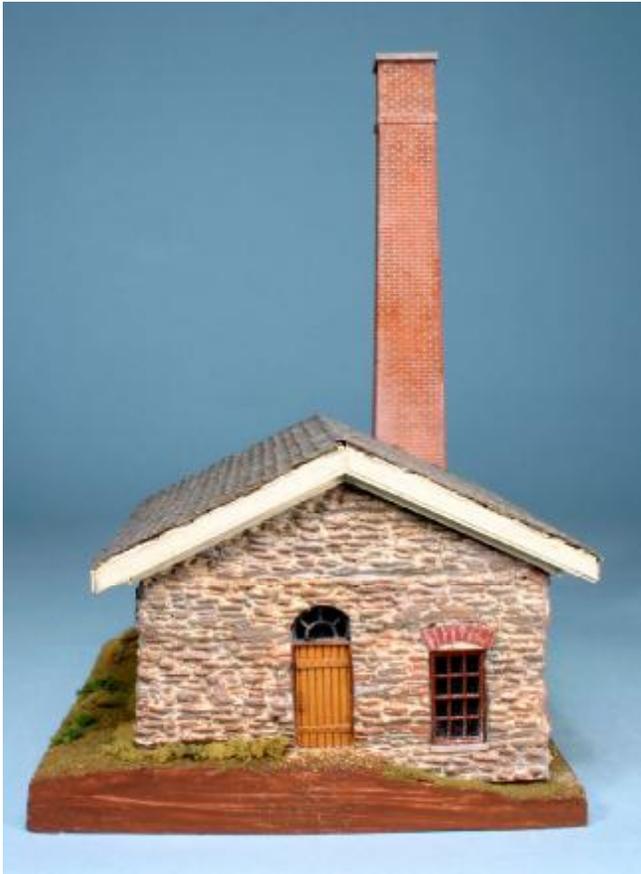
Interesting to note that there are arched brick arches above each door and window. Also, there is a two foot high stone wall on the north and part of the east side, probably added in the late 1900's. Purpose ?



On the west side (*above*) of the Power House the ground is about two feet higher than the east side. This is due to some filling that occurred in recent history. Strange to see the ground level up to the bottom of the windows. The arched brick work continues on the west side of the structure.

Dave Armitage of Batavia, NY constructed this model in 1:87 scale. The stack is a *B.E.S.T.* resin casting to which Dave extended the base to gain height to the 50 foot level.

Ten stone wall castings were made of *Hydracal* by Dick Senges using a mold he made from several *Musket Miniatures* Civil War stone walls. These stone wall sections were then stacked and carved by Dave Armitage to construct the 14 foot high walls for the Power House. Dave scratch built the rest of the structure except for the windows.

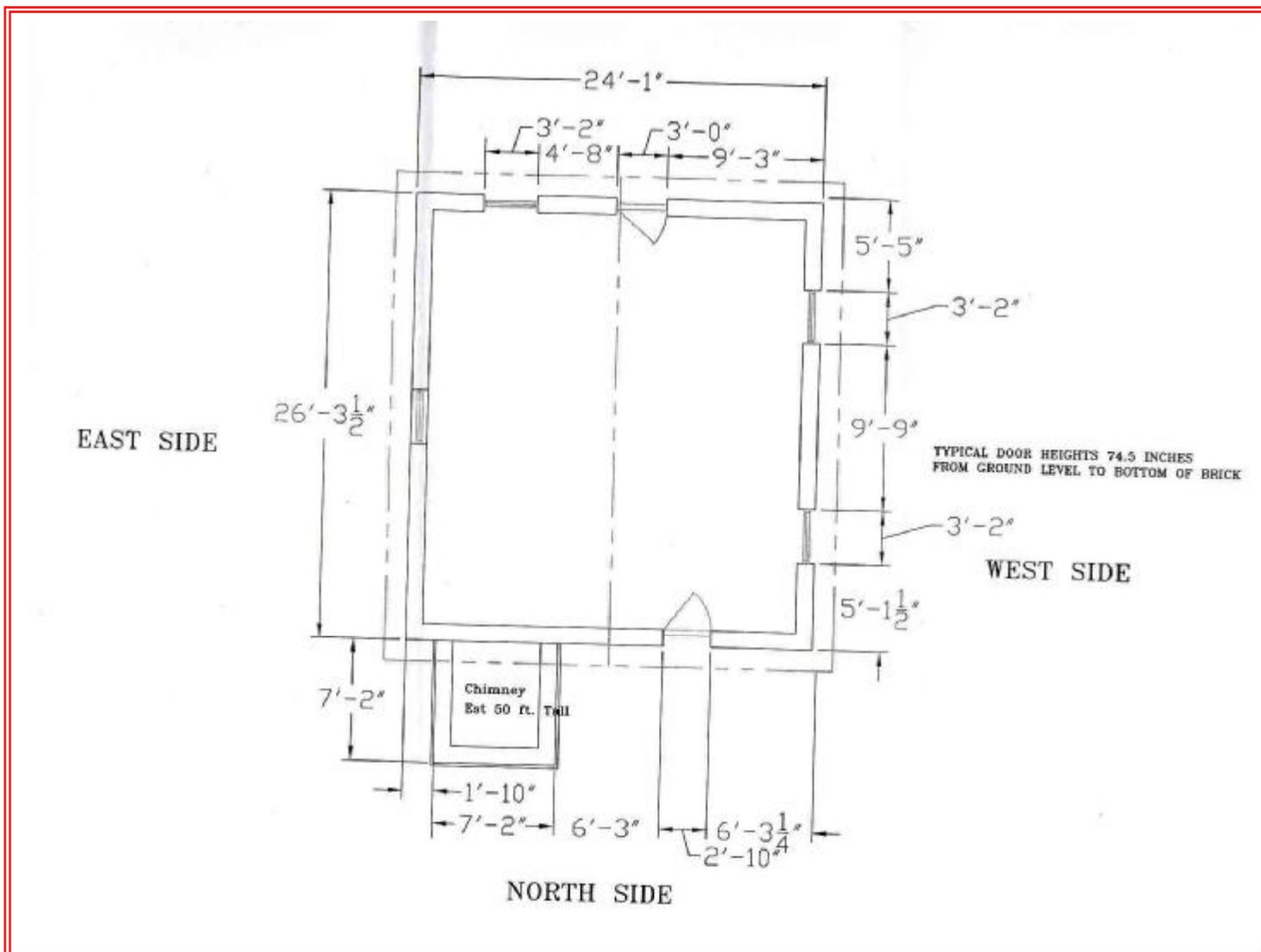


Upper Left: The south side of the Power House shows how that land is higher on the west side and lower on the east (lake) side.

Above: The east side has one window and two cleanouts, one in the main building and one in the stack. A brick arch is over the window. The east side of the small two-foot high stone wall is also depicted on the model.



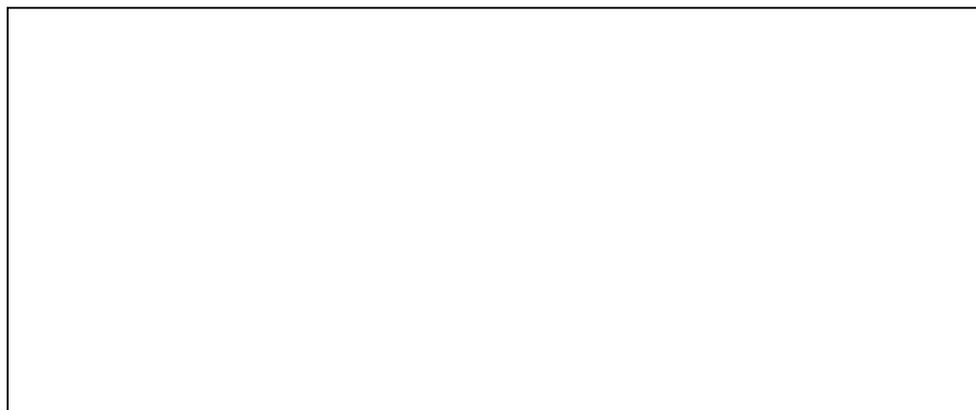
Left: A removable roof was built by Dave Armitage which included the idler pulley. This idler pulley is still in the Power House today (2011). By the position of this pulley and the stack location, it appears the boiler was in the north east corner of the building and the steam engine and drive system in the northwest corner.



Harold Russell made a complete set of drawings of the Power House including all four sides and the Plan Drawing above. Copyright 2011.

Check out Dick's website: www.OilCreekRailroad.com for more history on Hammondsport, NY and the Bath and Hammondsport Railroad.

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Lakeshores Division's Achievement Award - *Application Process*

by Harold Russell, MMR

The following details the application process for all achievement applications in the Lakeshores Division:

The Paper Work Neatness and brevity count. Just supply the required information - nothing else. A few photographs may be good.

The Process When your paper work is done (I can assist you with this if you like.), contact me* for a judging appointment. The judging will be done by another LSD NMRA member and myself. Do not worry. "Model railroading is fun." I will then send the paper work to Peter Nesbitt who will process it further through National. [Peter lives in Ottawa and the easiest way to send the application to him is to scan it and send it as an E-mail attachment. I can do this for you.]

Eventually, you will get a certificate 'suitable for framing' and have your name published in the *nmra Magazine*. If you like, the certificate can be presented to you at one of our LSD meets. After this, you may be asked to help judge future applicants.

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