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FURKA - OBERALP The section Andermatt - Realp was restored to use at the end of October, following the summer storm damage. After what must have been herculian efforts, the Schöllenenbahn, from Goschenen to Andermatt, was re-opened on 12th November.

1988 CELEBRATIONS 1988 sees the 75th anniversary of the opening of the line from Frutigen to Brig via the Lötschberg tunnel on the 15th July 1913. It is also the 100th anniversary of the Brunig line of the SBB. These anniversaries are to be celebrated by a joint railway exhibition in Interlaken from 12th to 21st August 1988. Attractions planned include an exhibition of Swiss and foreign motive power, standard gauge at Interlaken West and narrow gauge at Interlaken Ost; historic and special trains; steam trips to Interlaken over several routes (the HLS hopes to have a steam locomotive of its own in running order); extra trains, some with a TGV; passenger carrying miniature railway; model railway exhibition.

#### SECRETARYS NOTES

I have discovered over the past couple of months some of the difficulties of editing a magazine. I have also discovered just how easy it is to forget the obvious. Alan Pike supplied the photograph for the front of issue no. 11 - and I forgot to caption it within ! My apologies to him, and to all of you long - suffering members. Alans photograph was of RhB railcar no. 45 at Poschiavo in the snow. For this issue, in contrast, we have something to assist the Christmas spirit in warming you up. SBB preserved Be 4/6 12320 basks in the summer sun outside the shed at Winterthur depot.

After putting this issue to bed I shall hand over to Malcolm Hardy - Randall. I would like to take this opportunity of thanking all those who sent me material at such short notice. Rest assured that all unused articles are being passed on to Malcolm to give him a start. It takes a lot of articles to keep a magazine going and to make it interesting, so please keep Malcolm well supplied.

In this issue is a plan of an SBB - PTT post van. Do you want more, and if so, would you like plans of postal vehicles running on private lines as well as on the Federal system ? Please write to me to let me know, rather than Malcolm, as it is I who will have to get the drawings together.

John Jesson

STOP PRESS.....Just received at Victors is the Lima SBB Einheits type I 2nd class coach. First indications are that it is another good model. More information in a later magazine.



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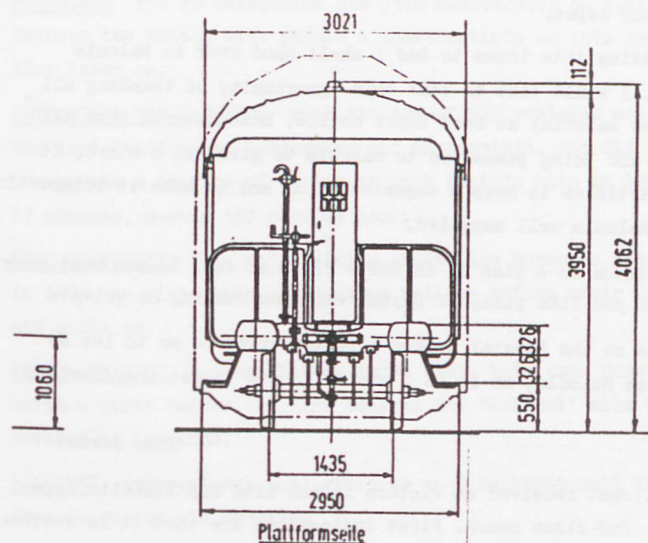
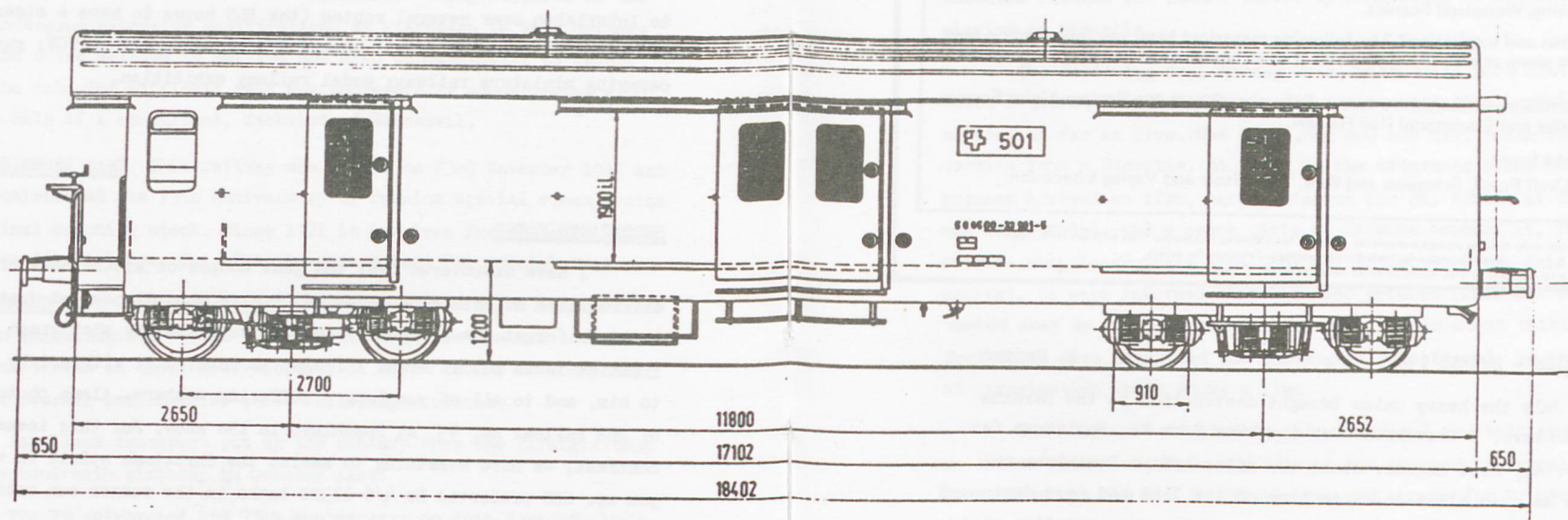
Paketpostwagen

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Maßstab

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Entered service 1960 - 1964

Tare weight 24 t

Load weight 15 t

Interior length 16,55 m

" width 2,70 m

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