



Historical/Archive Department Report

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With the museum closed up for the winter, we moved the Archive Department into winter mode and we working on getting the 2024 convention ready for the members and guests in Oroville, Ca.

Speaking of the 2024 WP Convention in Oroville. It's off to a good start. We have a full slate of presenters and presentations lined up for the convention.

With approximately 14 presentations and a tour of the Oroville Dam, it looks like this will be a great convention.

Please watch the FRRS website for more information as it becomes available.

The *Headlight* magazine should be out prior to the convention and this issue is packed with several articles on the Sacramento Northern. This issue has had a tremendous amount of work done on the articles by the authors and the *Headlight* staff to bring a large issue that I hope everyone will enjoy.

This is just a start as to what we envision on releasing to our members and public. Please understand this is a “**Work in Progress**” and several collections have not been inventoried or processed as of yet.

Each month we release new materials to the archives pages. Please be on the lookout for these new items. The new material is announced in the Latest Museum News column on the website.

If you have not visited the Historical/Archive Department web page recently, please consider looking at them to see “What's New” in the Western Pacific Documents page.

[https://wplives.org/wphistory\\_wp\\_documents.html](https://wplives.org/wphistory_wp_documents.html)

As I point out in each of my reports every month, we still need some donation help with the materials needed to keep the archives moving forward and protecting them.



### **Needs for the Archives:**

We are always looking for help in getting materials properly stored and we need the support of the membership with helping supply storage materials for the archives.

We still need help in getting funding and storage materials for the archive department. Should you be able to help out, please let us know!

Items listed below are still needed to help keep our collection stored properly and should you wish to help us out, we certainly would like your donation and help.

- Computer program to track all the Historical/Archive items
- Original copy of Windows 10 to be used in the Archive Department
- Archive storage boxes for 35mm slides. (We need more, as we have over 20,000 + slides and counting!)
- Large archival storage boxes

Should any member receive any donation and/or get an inquiry about a donation, please get in touch with one of the archive staff or the archive committee to make sure we properly address the donation or inquiry.

Thank you to all the members of the FRRS/WPRM who contribute to the society and the archives.

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