

Oral History Index

Narrator: Scott Trostel

Interviewer: Charles Bates

Topics: Railroading, writing books, Allen County Museum, John Keller

Date of Interview: July 21, 2021



Listing of Points of Interest

**Hour: Minute: Second
(Topics or Questions)**

Introduction	00:00:00
Occupation	00:00:30
First introduction to railroading and trains	00:01:20
Introduction to John Keller and Allen County Museum	00:02:30
Memories of John Baldwin	00:08:30
Memories of Allen County Museum and how it has changed	00:10:40
Barney & Smith Company	00:15:55
First interest in writing books	00:21:00
Museum affiliations	00:29:00
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Memories of railroaders and museum affiliations	01:08:50
Advice for future railroad authors	01:13:05
Memories of museum and museum employees	01:14:55
Final thoughts on Allen County Museum	01:19:35
Final thoughts	01:20:20
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Conclusion	01:22:25

