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WHO SAYS OPERATING a steam locomotive ever was easy (or comfortable)? The fireman of an early vertical boiler Shay locomotive stokes the firebox on a very early and clear morning in 1881. Our article, beginning on page 33, tells a little about the first Shay engines. Russ Reinberg photographed the 1:48 scale Wiseman Model Services brass import on our cover.

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