

Our Quarterly History Series Books

Five years ago we inaugurated a series of 64-96 page books that would be issued each quarter, for a total of four per year. As of now we have issued 21 books in this series and have received many good comments about them. That's over 1,600 pages of photos and data!

However. . . our subscription list has dwindled in the past couple of years. I believe this is because we simply did not notify subscribers when it was time to renew and left it to their reading of our ads. We now want to build up our readership for these books again to the level it was five years ago when we had about 350 or so people subscribing to the annual group. After all, that's only about 1/8th of the membership.

To do that we are officering a special one-time limited deal whereby you can subscribe and get **FOUR FREE hardbound books (\$120 MSRP)**. If you have already subscribed to the 2018 series, then simply tell us to roll it over to 2019 series and you'll still get the free books. BUT, you must do this soon, as our supply of free books is limited!

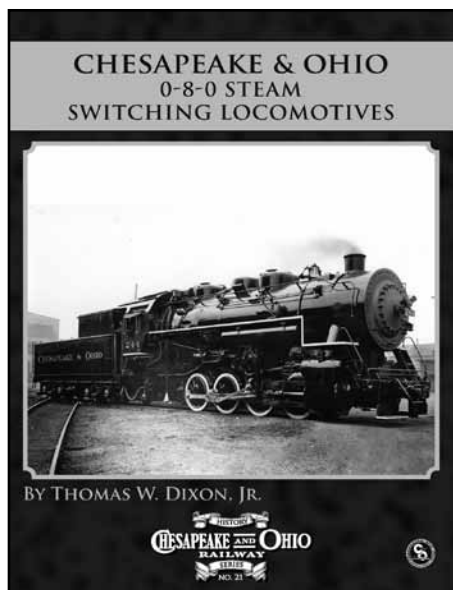
Each of the books deals with some element of C&O equipment, facilities, or operations that has not been discussed in the magazine very extensively, or that lends itself to greater treatment than could be accorded it in article format.

The first issue for 2018 has been mailed. It deals with the C&O's 0-8-0 switchers. They amounted to about 20% of the motive power fleet, but never have been treated to any extent. The next issue, on C&O's great fleet of 2-8-2 Mikados will be mailed soon.

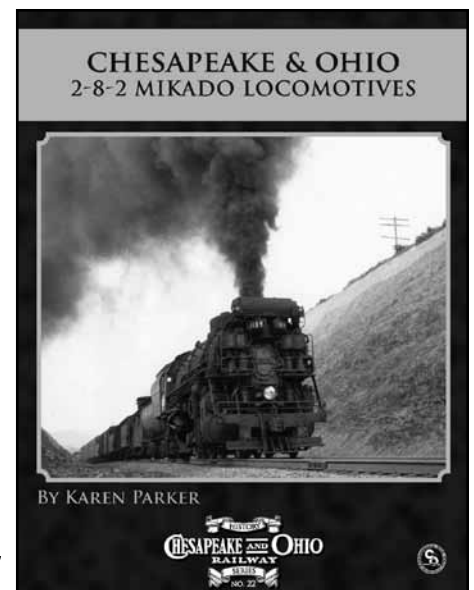
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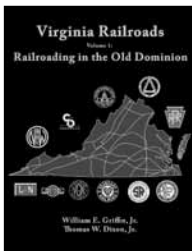
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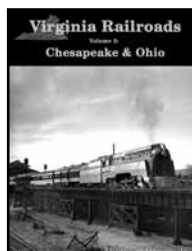
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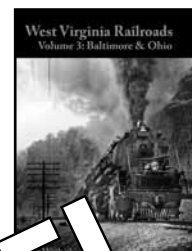
on all the major lines, as well as information on those which had only a small presence in the state, plus shortlines. Hardcover, 144 pages.



Virginia Railroads Vol. 2: Chesapeake & Ohio

By Thomas W. Dixon, Jr.
Second in the series an all-new treatment of the C&O in

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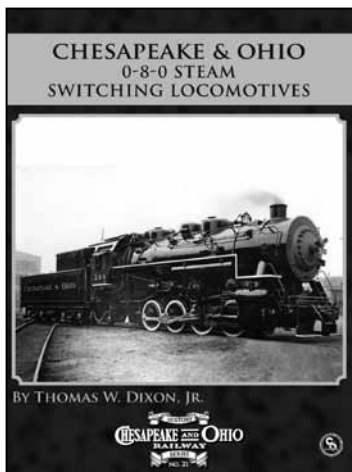
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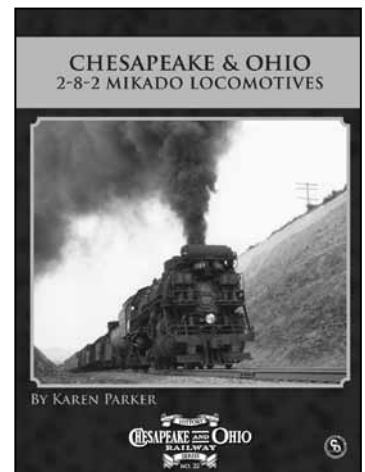
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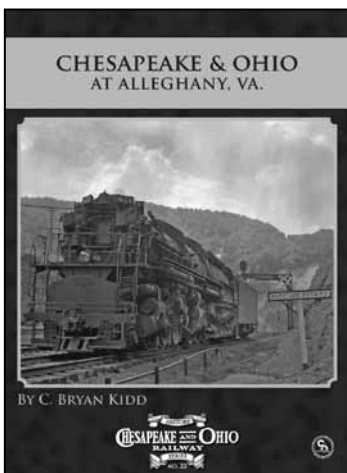
The complete story of the C&O's 2-8-2 type. These class K through K-8 engines were general-purpose engines from 1911 until the end of steam, used on local freights, manifests, and even occasionally passenger trains. The book centers on the K, K-1, 2, 3, 3a classes. Karen Parker gives us a complete detailed mechanical and operational history.

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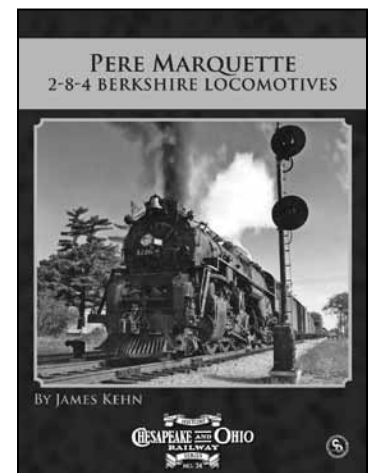
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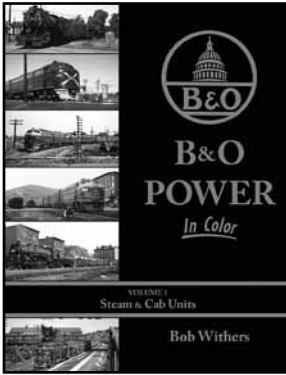




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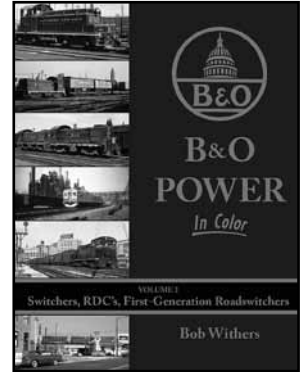
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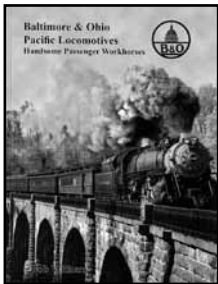
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Bob Withers, certainly one of the Nation's leading experts on B&O operations, has just completed the second in the Morning Sun, all-color book series on the B&O. Bob's excellent knowledge of the railroad combined with superb color photographs makes these two books excellent additions to the library of anyone interested in America's first railroad. Of course, the connection with C&O after 1961 is unmistakable. Many people look on B&O as C&O's "sister" railroad starting in that era. Withers covers EMD, GE, Alco, Baldwin, and Lima as well as Fairbanks Morse diesels. Highly recommended both for content and illustrations.



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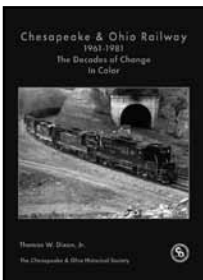
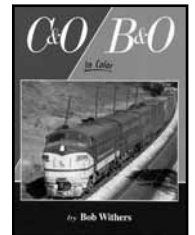
Hardcover, 112 page book printed on heavy 100-pound coated paper has about 125 great photos that cover all B&O 4-6-2 classes including many photos of them at work in all types of passenger service. As B&O's premier class of passenger locomotives, the Pacifics were the backbone of the line's passenger business. The book has rosters and background text on each class. A great piece of B&O literature.

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Hardcover, 128 pages. Another of Bob Withers' great all-color books on the era of the 1960s and 70s during which the C&O and B&O operated as "affiliated" railroads. He has reproduced some great photography including quite a bit on passenger trains of the period. Included are illustrations of timetables, advertisements, and other illustrative material. Another excellent Morning sun book.

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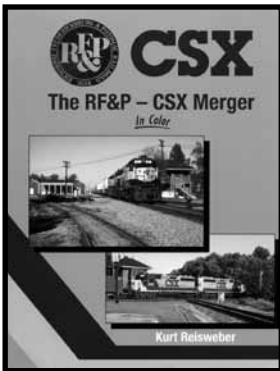
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Morning Sun Books by Kurt Reisweber!

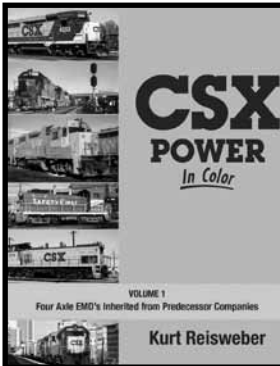


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128 pages; hard cover. **NEW!! BK-18-505 \$59.99**

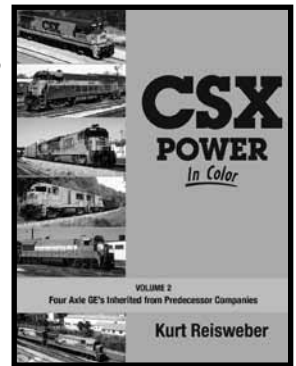
Latest in a series of books about railroad mergers from Morning Sun is the RF&P-CSX Merger in Color by C&OHS member Kurt Reisweber. 128 pages of color photos. Richmond, Fredericksburg & Potomac Railroad is fully-covered beginning with the transition to Amtrak in 1971 with photos and descriptions of changes by CSX after 1991 merger. Photos and text up to 2017, so the book covers forty-five years.



CSX Power in Color Vol. 1

CSX Power in Color Vol. 2

COHS Member Kurt Reisweber is preparing a series of six volumes on CSX motive power. Each 128-page book has about 300 superb photos. Volume 1 treats four-axle EMD units while Volume 2 covers GE four-axle units. Photos show units in the paint schemes of their original railroads as well as CSX. Nice C&O coverage. Kurt's books give the reader a lot of background/history in addition to great photos.



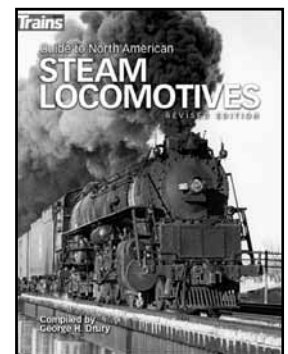
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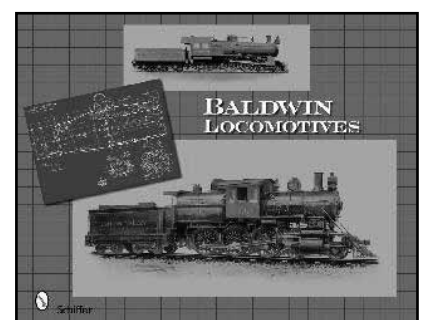


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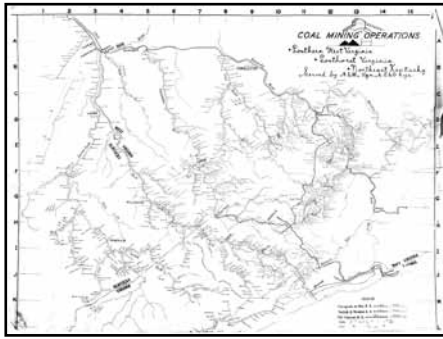
A 76-page number-by-number roster tabulation of all known C&O steam locomotives from earliest times until the end of steam. Each number by which locomotives were known is entered and cross-referenced to all other numbers held by that locomotive. Highly recommended for your library.

Baldwin Locomotives By Schiffer Publishing **BK-13-741 \$34.99**

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West Virginia Interests!



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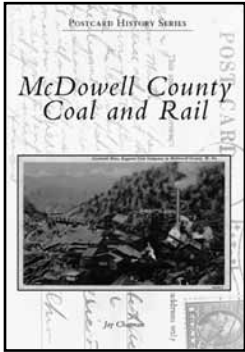
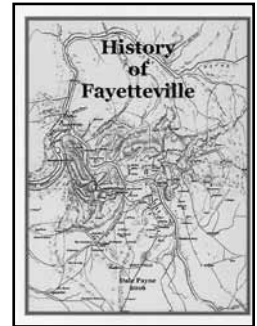
18x24-inch, highly-detailed map showing C&O, N&W, and Virginian lines in southern West Virginia, southwest Virginia, and eastern Kentucky about 1950. Excellent way to see how the three lines interconnected in the coal fields.

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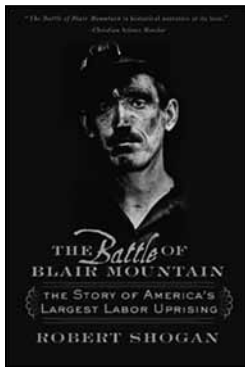
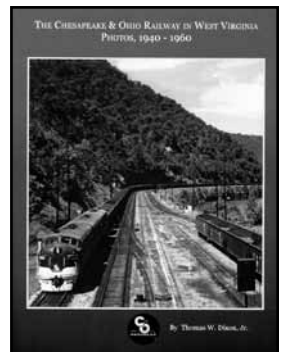
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Coal was discovered in McDowell County, located in the "Billion Dollar Coalfield" of southern West Virginia, in 1748, but it was not explored or mined until the early 1800s. Mill Creek Coal & Coke Company shipped the first railroad car of coal in March 1883 via the Norfolk & Western Railway. By the early 1900s, hundreds of mining companies dotted the county's landscape. The coal from McDowell County fueled the nation's home heating and steel making businesses and both world wars. As the coal industry developed, the local population grew; by 1950, the county had grown from a few hundred people to more than 100,000. The postcard images in this book show early coal mining and how it progressed throughout the years. Softcover, 128 pages.

C&O in West Virginia By Thomas W. Dixon, Jr. BK-04-393 \$19.95 \$10.00

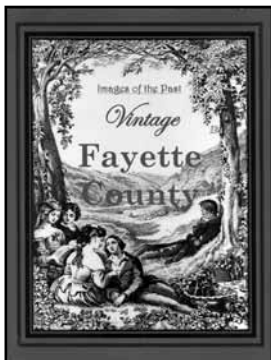
Covers all C&O mainline operations throughout West Virginia as well as some branches in 120 black and white and 20 color photos between 1940 and 1960. Includes maps and drawings. Compact appreciation for C&O in the mountain state. Published in 2005.

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The Battle of Blair Mountain By Robert Shogan BK-17-912 \$16.95

In this concise, dramatic and authoritative account of the bloody 1921 encounter between the mine workers and mine owners of the West Virginia coalfields—the most tumultuous labor battle in American history—Shogan gives us a strikingly vivid post-WWI America both utterly foreign and oddly familiar. A former political reporter for *Newsweek* and the *Los Angeles Times*, Shogan is as much good feature writer as historian. Softcover, 288 pages.



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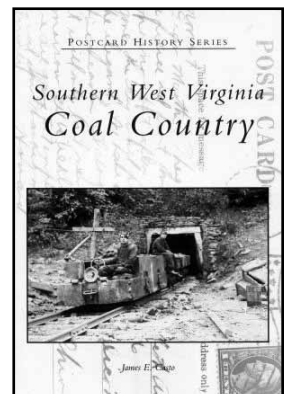
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Southern West Virginia Coal Country

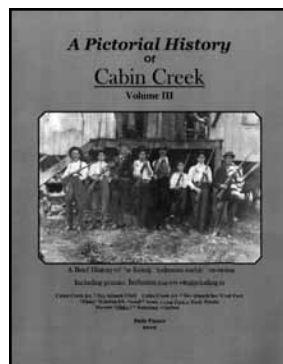
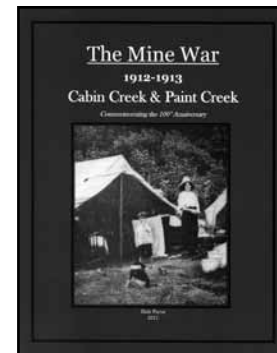
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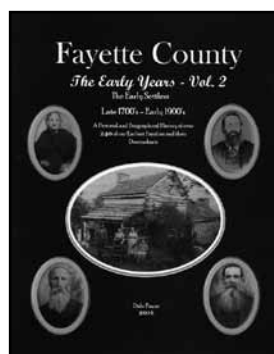
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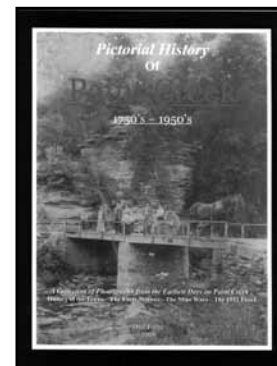
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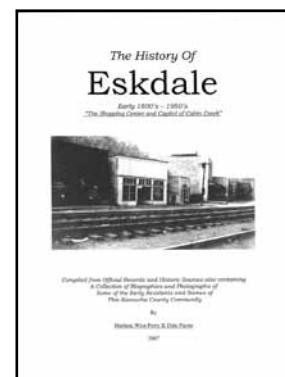
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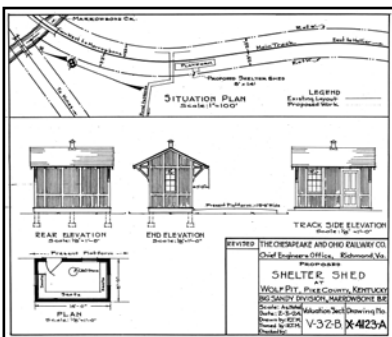
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