

Greenberg's Guide to Lionel Trains 1945-1969 Volume II: Behind The Scenes

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Lionel Berkshires 8. Lionel Steam Turbines 9. The Postwar 1666 Locomotives Passenger Cars: 10. The 2400-Series Passenger Cars 11. Observations on the Madison Cars Freight Cars: 12. Order out of Chaos (Lionel's 9 1/4" boxcars) 13. The story of the 2456 and 6456 Hopper Cars 14. Lionel 6362 Series Flatcars 15. New Haven Automobile Cars 16. Reefers and Insulated Plug-Door Boxcars 17. Looking at the Lionel Operating Milk Cars Special Topics: 18. A String of Orange (Lionel boxes) 19. Half a Century of Entertainment (automatic gateman) 20. From Persion Gods to Smoking Locomotives (miniature lamps) 21. S.A.M.A.T (space and military) 22. The 1945-1946 Truck and Coupler 23. From Staple-End to Bar-End Trucks A Special Tour: 24. The History of Greenberg Publishing Company As you can see, there is a very wide range of information in this book, including a lot of information not available anywhere else in print, especially on Lionel trains in the early postwar years of the 1940s. Some of the information in this book made it into the 2000 edition of Volume 1: Motive Power and Rolling Stock, since this book was discontinued by that time (such as the section on Lionel Berkshires). Also, a lot of chapter 3 is duplicated in Greenberg's guide Volume 5 Rare and Unusual. However, a lot of the information is found nowhere else, and much of that is just fascinating. I only discovered this book a few years ago, and wonder how I never bought this back in the 1990s. It is one of my most valued books in my toy train library.

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