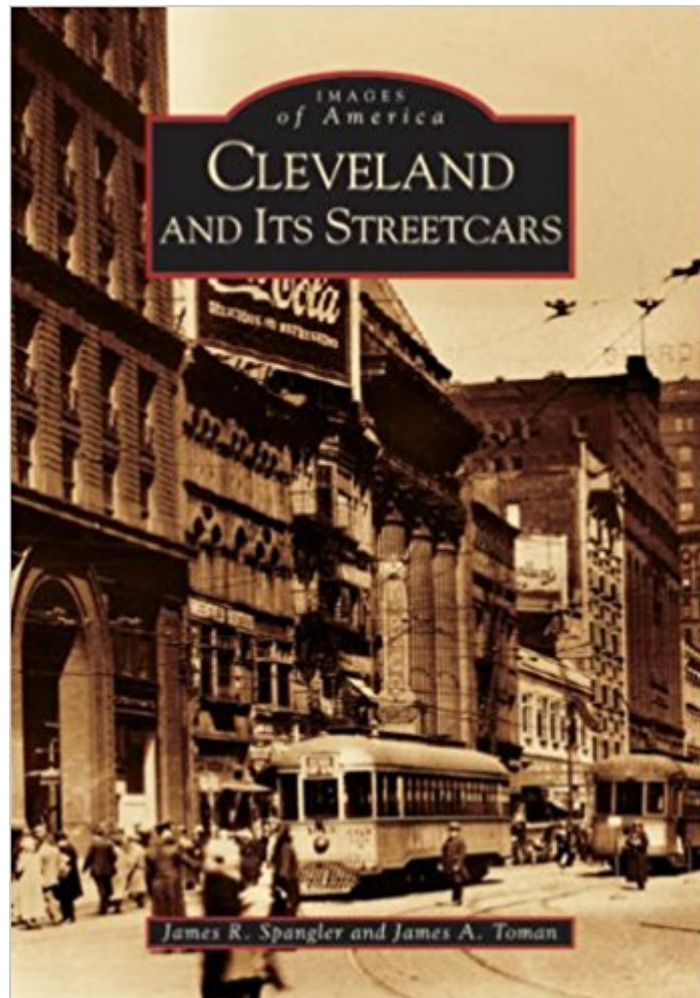




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Cleveland And Its Streetcars



Synopsis

Cleveland and Its Streetcars takes the reader back to when railway cars dominated the local street scene. The book focuses on the era of 1910–1954, from the time that Cleveland Railway Company took over operation of the consolidated streetcar lines to the day that the last streetcar rumbled over the city's streets. Cleveland's trailer trains, articulated cars, and its Peter Witt car model were widely admired by the nation, and the streetcar reigned supreme through the end of World War II. In 1942, the Cleveland Transit System (CTS) took over the streetcar lines, and eager to "modernize" its fleet, it decided to replace the streetcars with buses, trackless trolleys, and a crosstown rapid transit line. After the end of the war, in May 1945, the first post-war conversion took place. Then the pace of replacing the streetcars with rubber-tired vehicles quickened. By 1954, the task was complete. This book, with over 200 photographs, documents this changing Cleveland scene when a wonderful era in transportation flourished and then, sadly, disappeared.

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Customer Reviews

Cleveland native James R. Spangler grew up near several streetcar lines, and following his service in World War II, he worked for the Cleveland Transit System. He retired from the U.S. Post Office after 35 years of employment. A member of the Euclid Railfans Group and the Northern Ohio Railway Museum, Spangler has a photograph collection documenting the city's streetcar heritage.

These books are great and the price was right.

I bought this book for my father, who grew up riding the Cleveland streetcars. He enjoyed the many pictures, and said the book did a good job of depicting all of the different lines. It brought back a lot of good memories for him.

I found the book excellent with good pictures and a condensed history, but most accurate. I lived in Cleveland during those years and remember much of the information first hand.

Great read, lots of terrific pictures. A continuation of Cleveland history. I own many of the these books and look forward to reading more.

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