

ELHS Collection Database Abbreviations

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AAR – American Association of Railroads
AB – Additions and Betterments notes
ABB – Akron-Barberton Belt Railroad Company
ABA – Air Brake Association
ACY – Akron, Canton and Youngstown Railroad Company also AC&Y
AFE – Authorization (or Authority) for Expenditure
AGW/A&GW – Atlantic and Great Western Railroad Company
ALCO – American Locomotive Company, later simply Alco
AR – Annual Report
ARA – American Railway Association (predecessor to AAR)
ARL – accounting revisions ledger(s)
AVP – Assistant Vice President

-B-

BB – Buildings and Bridges
BCK – Buffalo Creek Railroad Company
BFN – building field notes*
BH – Bath and Hammondsport Railroad Company also B&H
BLE – Bessemer and Lake Erie Railroad
BLW – Baldwin Locomotive Works
BM – Boston and Maine Railroad Company also B&M
BMWE – Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way Employees
BN – Burlington Northern Railroad Company
BO – Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company also B&O
BOD/B. of D. – Board of Directors
BRC – Belt Railway Company of Chicago
BrFN – bridge field notes*
BRT – Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen
BRTC – Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen Sub-collection
BV – bound ledger book
BVL – bound valuation ledger book

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CBQ – Chicago, Burlington and Quincy Railroad Company also CB&Q
CE – Chicago and Erie Railroad Company also C&E
CNJ - Central Railroad Company of New Jersey
CO – Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad Company also C&O
COFC – Container on Flatcar
CPD – Cleveland Plain Dealer Newspaper
CR – Consolidated Rail Corporation (Conrail)
CRP – Central Railroad of Pennsylvania (CNJ subsidiary)
CRR of NJ - Central Railroad Company of New Jersey
CTC – Centralized Track Control
CWI – Chicago and Western Indiana Railroad Company also C&WI

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DDN – dispatcher’s daily notes
DH - Delaware and Hudson Railroad Company also D&H
DLW – Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad Company also DL&W

-E-

EB – east bound
EC – excellent condition
EL - Erie Lackawanna Railroad/Railway Company
ELHS - Erie Lackawanna Historical Society
EMC – Electro-Motive Corporation
EMD – Electro-Motive Division of General Motors
ER – Erie Railroad
ETT – Employee timetable

-F-

FC – fair condition
FF – file folder, standard
FFe – file folder, legal
FFT – Freight Timetable/Schedule
FM – Fairbanks, Morse and Company
FN – field notes
FRA – Federal Railway Administration
FS – flat storage/flat stored

-G-

GC – good condition
GE – General Electric Corporation
G.O. – general order
GW – Genesee and Wyoming Railroad Company also G&W

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HBTM – Huntington and Broad Top Mountain Railroad Company also H&BTM
HF – Hoboken Ferry Company
HS – Hoboken Shore Railroad Company also Hoboken Manufacturer’s
HT – Harlem Transfer Company

-I-

I/C - interchange
ICC – Interstate Commerce Commission
ICS – International Correspondence Schools, Scranton, PA
IR – Ingersoll-Rand Corporation

-L-

LB – loose bound
LHR – Lehigh and Hudson River Railway Company also L&HR
LNE - Lehigh and New England Railroad Company also L&NE
LS - Lehigh and Susquehanna Railroad Company also L&S
LV – Lehigh Valley Railroad Company

-M-

McF – microfilm roll
MFC – Maurice Frederick Coffman
MFCC – M. F. Coffman Collection
MHMR – Mount Hope Mineral Railroad Company (CNJ subsidiary)

MOW – Maintenance-of-Way
MP – mile post
MYC – multi-year coverage

-N-

NB – Northhampton and Bath Railway Company also N&B
NBX – not boxed
NEOUCOM – Northeastern Ohio University Colleges of Medicine, Rootstown, OH
Site of UAA remote storage facility
NIAJ – Niagara Junction Railway Company
NJDOT – New Jersey Department of Transportation
NJNY – New Jersey and New York Railroad Company also NY&NJ
NJPUC - New Jersey Public Utilities Commission
NKP – Nickel Plate Road (New York, Chicago & St. Louis Railroad)
No. - number
NRLC – National Railway Labor Conference
NRNJ – Northern Railroad Company of New Jersey
NW - Norfolk and Western Railway Company also N&W
NYABC – New York Air Brake Company
NYGL – New York and Greenwood Lake Railway Company also NY&GL
NYC – New York Central Railroad Company and System
NYE – New York and Erie Railroad Company (Erie predecessor) also NY&E
NYLB – New York and Long Branch Railroad Company (joint PRR – CNJ subsidiary)
NYLEW – New York, Lake Erie and Western Railroad Company (Erie predecessor)
NYI – no year indicated
NYNHH – New York, New Haven and Hartford Railway Company also NYNH&H
NYOW – New York, Ontario and Western Railway Company also NYO&W
NYPANO – New York, Pennsylvania and Ohio Railroad Company, also just as
NYPANO Railroad Company
NYPSC – New York State Public Services Commission
NYSW – New York, Susquehanna and Western Railroad Company also NYS&W

-O-

ORC – Order of Railroad Conductors

-P-

pc – poor condition
PC – Penn Central Railroad Company
PLE - Pittsburgh and Lake Erie Railroad Company also P&LE
PMS - Perry Monroe Shoemaker
PMSC - Perry Monroe Shoemaker Collection
PRR – Pennsylvania Railroad Company
PTT – Public timetable

-R-

RDG – Reading Railroad Company
REA – Railway Express Agency Corporation
RE&TA – Real Estate and Tax Agent
RE&TD – Real Estate and Tax Department
RI – Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific Railroad Company also CRI&P
RFN – roadway field notes*
RLHS – Railway Locomotive and Historical Society
rm – railroad mark

- RR – Railroad
- RRRR – Raritan River Railroad Company
- ROW – right-of-way
- Rwy - railway
- S-**
- SFB – signal(s) field book
- T-**
- TDS – train dispatcher sheets
- TFN – track field notes*
- TOFC – trailer on flatcar
- TP – temporary placement
- TT – timetable, public
- T/T – telephone and telegraph
- TWS – tax work sheets
- U-**
- UAA – University of Akron Archives in Akron, Ohio
- USRA – United States Railroad Administration (1917 – 1920) and United States Railway Association (1970s and 1980s)
- UTU – United Transportation Union (successor to BRT)
- V-**
- VE – Valuation engineer/Office of the Valuation Engineer
- VFN – valuation field notes.
- Vol. - volume
- VS – valuation section
- W-**
- WAB – Wabash Railway Company
- WABCO – Westinghouse Air Brake Company
- WB – west bound
- WBE – Wilkes-Barre and Eastern Railroad Company (NYSW subsidiary) also WB&E
- WLE – Wheeling and Lake Erie Railway Company (later NKP, later NW) also W&LE
- WN – Wharton and Northern Railroad Company (CNJ subsidiary) also W&N
- WM – Western Maryland Railway Company

Note: All items marked with an * are forms of VFN