



This photo was taken from East Stroudsburg tower on November 24, 1978. A loaded unit coal train for PP&L's Portland power plant has just passed through town. The East Stroudsburg local (just an ex-EL GP7 and a caboose) takes the siding. The units in the foreground are the helpers which shoved the train over the Pocono grades from Scranton. This is one of last, if not the last, coal train over the Lackawanna main line until January 1997. In just one month this line will be abandoned.



This photo, taken with a borrowed Instamatic camera on a scorching July 7, 1979 shows a westbound TrailVan train behind four GP40-2's blasting unassisted around the Horseshoe Curve. This photo also shows a beginner's disregard for the basic rules of photography! The results, however, are pleasing. The sun glints off of the four track rails, and highlights the exhaust blasting out of the locomotives.



This photo of restored Amtrak GG-1 4935 was taken on a brutally cold January 16, 1980. 4935 is pulling the southbound Silver Star into 30th Street Station in Philadelphia. Once inside, another G was coupled to the head end for the rest of the journey to Washington. Diesels will haul the train to its final destination in Florida.