SPACE

THE FINAL FRONTIER

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Marietta Branch of the Pennsylvania Railroad, May 1956

HO Layout – Modeling Cambridge, Ohio
About the line

• The Marietta Branch was part of a PRR Lake Region line that ran from Dover, Ohio to the Ohio River at Marietta. The Branch proper ran from Cambridge to Marietta. The connection to the B&O was at Cambridge. The Marietta Branch and the Dover Secondary had connections northward to Canton, Akron, Cleveland, Pittsburgh and Youngstown.
Layout Information
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Power Plant
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PRR Staging
All Good Things Must Come to an End
Going
Going
Gone
Not all is lost...A new Beginning
Mt. Gilead Short Line Railway
About the railroad

- Single-track, standard-gage, steam railroad, located in Morrow county, Ohio. The line extended from Mt. Gilead to Edison, Ohio and the connection with the Big Four. The line was 2.06 miles, there was a single spur track (0.5) miles to server the plant owned by the Hydraulic Manufacturing Company. The line had a combination freight and passenger station at Mt. Gilead but no engine service facilities and no run-around track. All operations were push-pull.
History

• Pursuant to the provisions of the statute of Ohio enacted April 16, 1878, amended or supplemented April 16, 1879, March 30, 1880, and March 11, 1881, and authorizing the construction of railroads by villages meeting certain requirements as to population, etc., five trustees were appointed by the judge of Common Pleas Court in Morrow County, Ohio, on May 27, 1879, to take charge of the construction and administer the affairs of the Mt. Gilead Short Line. The control of the property is invested in five trustees, who are appointed by the mayor of Mt. Gilead, Ohio, every five years. The construction of the railroad of the Mt. Gilead Short Line was not a corporate undertaking, but was the project of the village of Mt. Gilead. Construction work was completed and the property was put in operation on or about April 13, 1880. The railroad of the Mt. Gilead Short Line has been solely operated by the Big Four from the date of completion and beginning of operation to date of valuation.
Track Diagram
Thank You for Listening