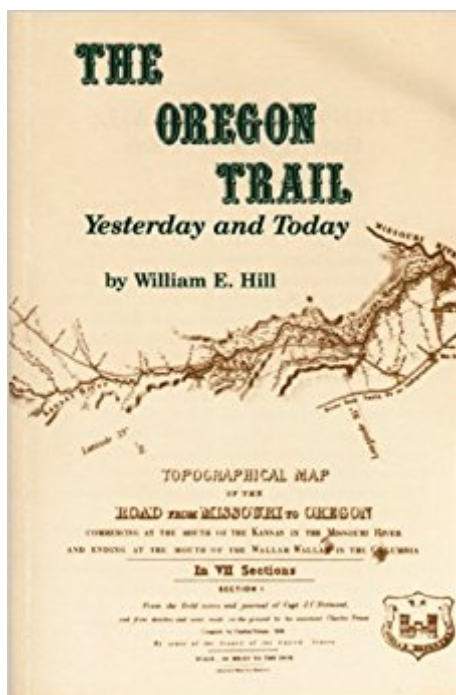


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# Oregon Trail



## Synopsis

William E. Hill's book is a concise and interesting explanation of what the Oregon Trail was really like. He blends history, maps, guides, diaries, and old drawings with his contemporary photographs and experiences.

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"William E. Hill's book is visually rich, intellectually strong and tightly organized to present such a variety of historical information in a brief format. Most of all, its practical and usable by those who travel in the areas so carefully mapped here and crossed by the Oregon Trail. Clearly the result of years of direct contact and caring experience with an important segment of our history, this volume belongs in the hands of many individuals from all walks of life who can relate to the geography, history and courageous, restless spirit that drove pioneers across the Oregon Trail." Christine F.V. Shirley, *The Californians* (Christine F.V. Shirley *The Californians*) --*The Californians*

William E. Hill is the author of several books on historic, western trails including *The Oregon Trail, Yesterday and Today*; *The Lewis and Clark Trail, Yesterday and Today*; and *The Santa Fe Trail, Yesterday and Today* all published by Caxton Press. He is now retired from teaching and living in New York state.

I found this book to be highly interesting, filled with old maps and guides. Pictures both old and new. It is also filled with true stories from those that took the great journey west. These people went

through great trials and tribulations to find a new home, a new way of life in the great far west. Not many of us modern Americans would pack up the bare essentials, sell the rest and walk across the great plains and through the wilderness of Wyoming and Idaho, enduring the heat and dry air, the thunderstorms and the other hazards mother nature could and would throw at you simply on the promise of a better life.

These books on the Oregon Trail were a lot of help when we took our up the Columbia River Gorge.

Very fascinating. I have done the Oregon Trail - not exactly like my ancestors - but felt the trek gave me a better historical perspective about life on trail in the 1840s and 1850s and beyond. I am enjoying The Oregon Trail by William Hill...especially the photos and drawings.

a lot of great information about the Oregon trail. It is especially helpful in planning a trip on the trail.

I can suggest adding this volume to your Oregon Trail collection. Interesting facts & well organized. Maybe not the definitive O.T. book but you should enjoy reading it. It made me glad to be born & live in the current age.

Poor quality maps

This is a very good book for those having an interest in The Oregon Trail and its history. It bridges the gap between the history of the trail and a current travel guide to trace its history. Highly recommended for anyone with an interest in the trail or the general history of the area.

Nice piece of US history.

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