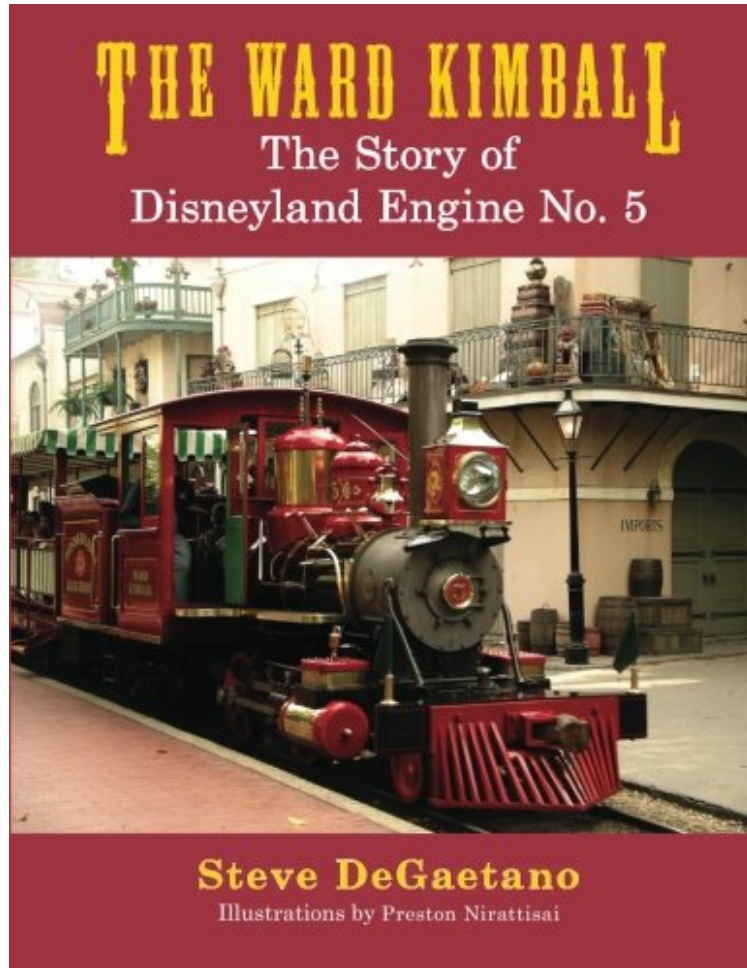


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0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Another interesting Disneyland detail story By Aaron Bingham This book is pretty well written. DeGaetano includes enough railroad technical detail to keep hobbyists interested but not so much that the casual fan gets lost. It was interesting to read about the locomotive's history and the crazy connection to Cedar Point/Cedar Fair. Disneyland and Knotts Berry Farm are truly connected in mysterious ways. I gave four stars instead of five because all internal photos are bw, likely to keep print costs down. bw really doesn't do these locos justice, though. Too bad Disney couldn't get this done while Ward was alive. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. The Magic behind their Railroad By John Eagan Great in depth history, a must for Disney railroad buffs! 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. A good read By Customer For anyone curious about about their steam

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From Plantation to Theme Park
For Disneyland's 50th anniversary, the company had a great idea: add a fifth train to the Disneyland Railroad and name it after Ward Kimball, a Disney Legend and, like Walt himself, a railfan. This is the story of how a locomotive built in 1902 became part of the Happiest Place on Earth. The story begins not in a theme park but at a Louisiana plantation where a small locomotive called the Maud L. was first put to use over a century ago hauling cane sugar through the hot, humid fields. As the Maud L. ran down over the years, she was destined for scrap but then her "life" took a change for the magical. Disneyland Railroad expert Steve DeGaetano tells the tale of how the Maud L. became the Ward Kimball: The early years of the engine destined for Disney, including its quiet decades at a theme park in Ohio; Disney's acquisition and rebuilding of the Maud L., and its rebranding into the Ward Kimball; The inaugural run of the Kimball at Disneyland's 50th anniversary celebration; A fascinating look at how Disney tests, operates, and maintains its steam trains; Plus, an account of Walt Disney and Ward Kimball's lifelong friendship, a bond forged from animation, steam trains, and theme parks; The whistle blows. A puff of steam rises over Main Street Station. The Kimball has come. All aboard!