NORFOLK & WESTERN SHENANDOAH DIVISION

(Hagerstown, Md. to Roanoke, Va)

- DX ---- Hagerstown Transfer (Official List 2-1-1921 gives H for Hagerstown Transfer.) Located SE corner Church & Walnut Sts; structure standing as of 12/2023.
- HN ---- Hagerstown, Md., depot (later "G") {1901 & 1903 TTs give HG and DX}
- HJ ---- Hagerstown Jct (PRR tower, later known to PRR as "Hager") {1903 T.T. gives G and AU; 1917 TT gives HJ and AU}
- V ---- Vardo (Hagerstown Yard, a PRR yard office)
- SJ ---- St. James depot (telegraph out prior to 1942) {1903 & 1917 T.T. give MA}
- GR --- Grimes (per TT #2, 6-10-1917; not shown in Official List #40 5-1-1916)
- FU ---- Antietam, Md. depot
- QD -- Shepherdstown, W.Va. depot
- JA ---- Shenandoah Jct. {1901 & 1903 T.T. gives JA and VA; TT 6-17-1923 lists only JA}
- BO ---- Charles-Town depot {1903 & 1917 T.T. AND Official List #40 5-1-1916 all give CS} {CS was the depot, BO was the tower}
- KG ---- Rippon, W.Va. depot
- BV ---- Berryville, Va. Depot
- DK ---- Boyce depot
- SQ ---- White Post {1901 and 1903 T.T.}
- AY ---- Ashby depot (not listed in 1903 T.T.; listed in TT 6-17-1923; telegraph out prior to 1942)
- RV ---- Riverton depot & tower
- FK ---- Front Royal depot
- OR -- Manor (TT #2 6-10-1917)
- HD ---- Bentonville depot
- VY ---- Rileyville depot
 - --- Vaughn, open in the 1890s, office call as yet unknown; not in TT #2 6-10-1917
- FH ---- Luray depot
- CA ---- Stanley depot
- OC ---- Ingham (Not shown in Official List #40 5-1-1916; is shown in TT #2 6-10-1917)
- AN ---- Shenandoah Yard Office
- SH ---- Shenandoah (shown in 1903 T.T. and in 1906 agreement; TM-YM etc Office)
- KO ---- Elkton depot
- DN ---- Island Ford depot
- OU ---- Lynnwood (not shown in 1901-1923 TTs; closed prior to 1942)
- OU --- Lewis is OU in Official List #40 5-01-1916 and TT #2 6-10-1917 and Linwood is not listed.
- PR ---- Port Republic (telegraph out prior to 1942)
- GO ---- Grottoes depot
- S ---- Sampson -- block office only in WWI era. Shows in Official List #40 of 5-1-1916 and in TT #2 6-10-1917
- CM ---- Crimora depot
- BC ---- Waynesboro depot (formerly Basic)
- HU ---- Lyndhurst depot
- SX ---- Stuarts Draft depot
- GI --- Cold Spring depot (called Greenville in 1903 T.T.)
- OF ---- Lofton -- block office only, no depot, closed prior to 1942
- MF ---- Vesuvius depot
- MY ---- Midvale depot (telegraph out prior to 1942)
- RQ ---- Riverside depot (TT 5-26-1901)
- JS ---- Buena Vista depot (shown as JS and GD in 1903 T.T.; GD not listed in TT 6-16-1923; no

telegraph shown in 1942)

J ---- Loch Laird - block office only, no depot. Both J and JN are listed in 5-26-1901 TT. Given as JN in 1903 T.T. Telegraph call not listed in TT#19 6-17-1923. Jim Sandridge called both Buena Vista and Sampson "block offices."

BF ---- Buffalo Forge (station out prior to 1942)

---- Glasgow depot GA

---- Natural Bridge depot {shown as RU in 1901, 1903, 1917 TTs and in Official List #40 of NB 5-1-1916; shown as NB in TT 19 of 6-17-1923}

NO ---- Kino, train order & block only; est. between TTs of 12/8/1912 and 5/13/1913; out between TTs of 4/16/1930 and 3/8/1931.

ZN ---- Solitude -- block office only, no depot; Shown in 1897 & 1900 ETT; out between TTs of 6/26/1932

and 4/30/1933} ---- Buchanan depot

HA

---- Lithia depot CH

---- Nace (formerly Houston), station out prior to 1942 WS

MJ ---- Troutville depot QA ---- Cloverdale depot

НО ---- Hollins depot

---- North Roanoke -- block office only, north end double track (not given in TT #2 6-10-1917)

---- Roanoke depot (joint N&W and Shenandoah Valley RR) MH

---- Shenandoah Division Dispatcher, Roanoke (see note below)

Compiled January 31, 1994, by Abram D. Burnett. Basic source document was "List No. 63, Norfolk & Western Railway Company, Issued by the Accounting Department, List of Officers, Agents and Stations, Roanoke, Va., August 1, 1942." Various old employee timetables were consulted. Thanks to Troy Humphries, retired Shenandoah Div. Telegrapher, and James W. Sandridge, retired Shenandoah Division telegrapher, train dispatcher and trainmaster, who gave interviews in the 1970s on this topic, filling in the gaps, and Dr. Frank R. Scheer, Curator of the Railway Mail Service Library, Boyce, Va..

On "UD": UD was the Train Dispatchers' office, originally located at the operating headquarters of the Shenandoah Valley RR, in the Union Depot at Hagerstown, Md. See article entitled "Relics of the Early Era", N&W Magazine, Vol. 4, No. 6, June, 1926, page 439, concerning W.J.Feiser, who was telegraph operator at Loch Laird May 31, 1882, when the Morse wire was made operational between Loch Laird and Roanoke. Feiser states that "UD" was in Hagerstown at that time, and that Roanoke was "RK".

Sometime after the Shenandoah Valley RR was combined with the Norfolk & Western in 1886, the train dispatchers office "UD" was moved to Roanoke. At Roanoke, it was probably first located on the second floor of the "joint" passenger depot, and later moved to the "old" Park Street Office (on Shenandoah Ave., east of Park St, Roanoke). UD was located in this building when it burned March 1, 1934. At that time, UD was moved to the Freight Station, corner Commerce St & Norfolk Ave, Roanoke. In 198-, Norfolk Southern merged the Radford, Shenandoah and Norfolk Divisions into a "Virginia Division" and built a building for the headquarters at 435 Kimball Ave., NE, Roanoke. In 201-, the Pocahontas Division was merged into the Virginia Division and the whole conglomerate was re-named the Pocahontas Division, with headquarters a the Kimball Ave. building. In 201-, all Train Dispatching was moved to Atlanta.

On Hagerstown: N&W Magazine of January, 1930, Vol. 8, No. 1, page 64, contains a column entitled "Shenandoah Division - Hagerstown" by magazine correspondent J.P. Slifer, mentioning Operator O.F. Dorman at "HN" office, Hagerstown. Information in The Telegrapher magazine indicates "HN" was in the Hagerstown passenger station.

The 1903 T.T. mentioned above is Shenandoah Division T.T. No. 26A, effective 12:01AM, Sunday, August 2, 1903. It includes Hagerstown to Winston-Salem.

N&W RY., SHENANDOAH DIVISION > ORIGINALLY THE WINSTON-SALEM DIVISION <

(Roanoke, Va., to Winston-Salem, N.C.)

MH ---- Roanoke Passenger Station

JK ---- Walnut Ave. Tower (crossing with Virginian Ry, a VGN tower.)

Q ---- South Roanoke (block and train order office in USRA era, when Roanoke Belt Line was used by northward through freight trains moving to WBest Roanoke Yard via WB; confirmed by N&W/USRA Shenandoah Division T.T. #10 of 5/29/1919.)

AF ---- Starkey depot

PD ---- Boones Mill depot

RW ---- Wirtz depot {RW in 1901 ETT; not listed in 1903 T.T.; shown as RW in Official List #40 5-1-1916; shown as Telegraph Ofs in TT#2 dated 6-10-1917, but no office call given.}

RY ---- Rocky Mount

F ---- Lanahan depot (not listed in 1903 T.T.; shown in 1917 TT; depot closed 2-8-1962)

QM ---- Ferrum depot MB ---- Henry depot

B ---- Philpott depot {not listed in 1903 T.T.; is shown in Official List #40, 5-1-1916}

KB ---- Bassett depot

Q ---- Payne train order office (not given in 1903 or 6-10-1917 T.T. or Official List #40 of 5-1-1916; Is listed in TT#19 6-17-1923)

KN ---- Fieldale (formerly Koehler; jct of Danville & Western RR) (not listed in 1903 TT, but listed in TT#18 of 5-15-1910)

VM ---- Martinsville depot

HR ---- Ridgeway, Va. depot

RA ---- Price, N.C. depot (depot closed 8-1-1959)

SN ---- Stoneville depot MN ---- Mayodan depot

AM ---- Madison depot

DF ---- Pine Hall depot

W ---- Walnut Cove depot (jct. Southern Ry.) {listed as OH in TT of 5-26-1901; became W in TT#3 11-25-1906}

HF ---- Walkertown, in 1901 & 1917 TT; call eliminated in TT#4 11-1-1931

BS ---- Winston-Salem interlocking, west of union station

FO ---- Winston-Salem depot (in 1942). Later "FO" was at North Winston Yard.

Officially known as the "Winston-Salem District of the Shenandoah Division", this line was built by the Roanoke & Southern RR in the 1890s. Division headquarters was in R&S depot at cor. Campbell Ave. and Randolph St., Roanoke. When the N&W acquired the R&S around 1896, it became part of the Shenandoah Division, and was dispatched from UD.

Thanks to Gordon Hamilton for information on "Q" at South Roanoke (12/11/04.)

See entry for H E Dubbs, P C Edgerton, in Shen Div CTD's record book on Operators, mentioning "BS Interlocking Plant" at Winston-Salem.

On Wirtz, see same book, entry under B S Gregory

Per J B Blackstock, Val map note shows all buildings at Fries Yard, Winston-Salem, retired July 1928. This was probably in conjunction with the opening of North Winston Yard. (This note added 9-22-2019)