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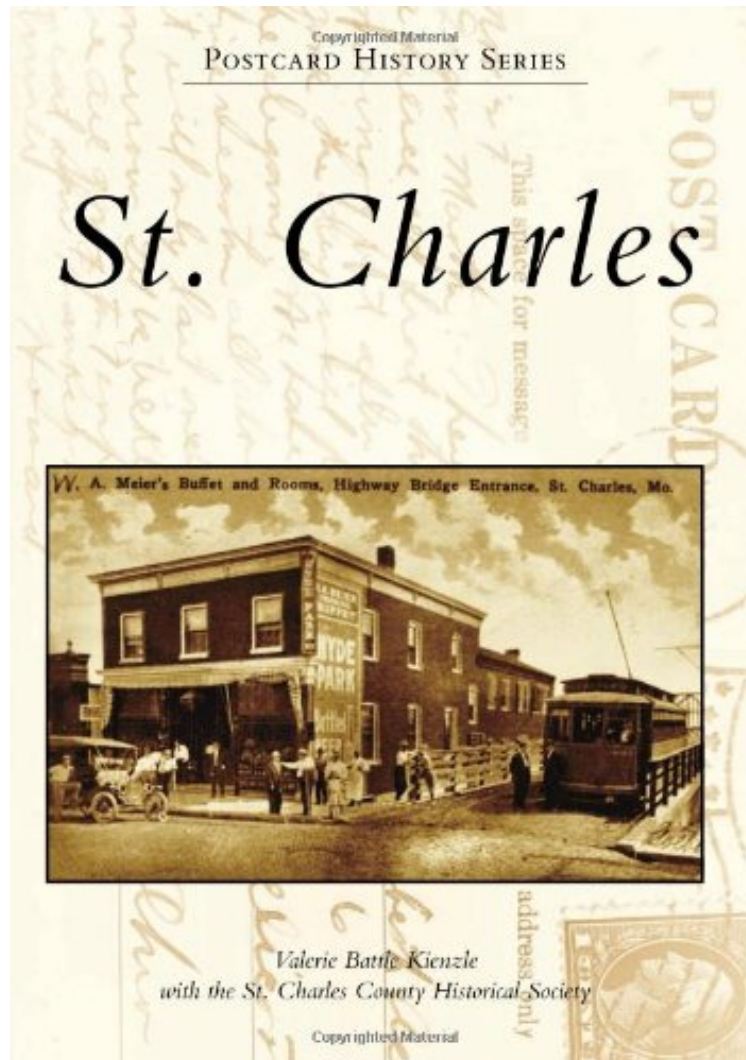
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1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Delightful Trip Back in TimeBy StephanieReadsPostcards are a tangible piece of history. A snapshot in time of the way a place looked and the thoughts of everyday people. As a postcard collector I am drawn to books about postcards and the history they tell. This book took me on a delightful trip back in time to life on the Missouri River. Today St. Charles is a bustling city with over 50,000 residents, but it still manages to retain its historical charm with a well preserved historic district and beautifully restored main street. Anyone who has visited this scenic town will wonder what it was like during the horse and buggy days. Who lived in the grand old homes and what were their lives like? Kienzle does an amazing job of using vintage postcards to weave a story of a river town and its place in history. Using the collections of the St. Charles county Historical society, she tells

about the lives of early founders, the store owners, politicians and everyday people. Its not just a book worth reading - its a book worth collecting.

Incorporated in 1809, St. Charles has distinguished itself as a historically significant city with a small-town feel. Located on the banks of the Missouri River, St. Charles has been called the Williamsburg of the West. Repurposed buildings draw thousands of visitors each year, yet the citys historical importance is more than streets and structures. St. Charles was the scene of notable events, including the 1804 launching of Meriwether Lewis and William Clarks exploration of the Missouri River and land in the Louisiana Purchase. The first state capital was located here from 1821 until 1826. Pioneer Daniel Boone settled here and helped create Boones Lick Trail. It became a major artery for settlers, leading to the development of the Santa Fe and Oregon Trails. In 1956, the first section of the Interstate Highway System opened in St. Charles.

About the AuthorValerie Battle Kienzle provides the story behind the St. Charles County Historical Societys early-20th-century collection of postcardsthe people, places, and things that helped make St. Charles what it is today.