

HAFO Year of the Horse Student Intern: Required Reading List to provide accurate & essential background information on the Chinese Diaspora and the role Chinese immigrants Idaho/Pacific NW history.

The special issue of *OHQ*, “Chinese Diaspora in Oregon,” authors contribute to a growing body of work that documents early Chinese residents’ role in shaping Oregon’s development as well as reclaims their place in the history of the state.

<https://www.ohs.org/oregon-historical-quarterly/back-issues/winter-2021.cfm>

Strangers from a Different Shore: A History of Asian Americans by Ronald Takaki.

<https://www.amazon.com/Strangers-Different-Shore-History-Americans/dp/0316831301>

Ghosts of Gold Mountain: The Epic Story of the Chinese Who Built the Transcontinental Railroad by Gordon H. Chang

<https://www.amazon.com/Ghosts-Gold-Mountain-Transcontinental-Railroad/dp/1328618579>

The Chinese Question: Gold Rushes and Global Politics by Mae Ngai.

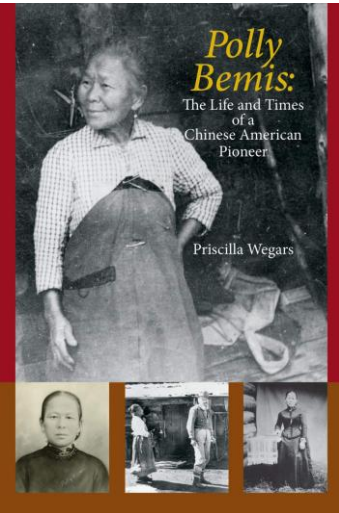
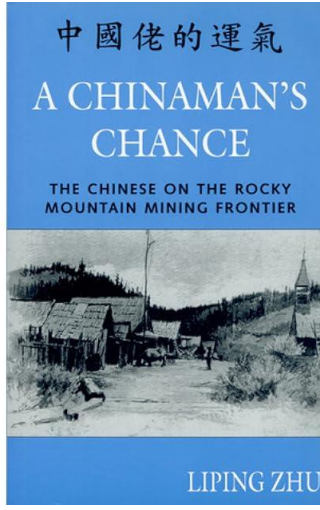
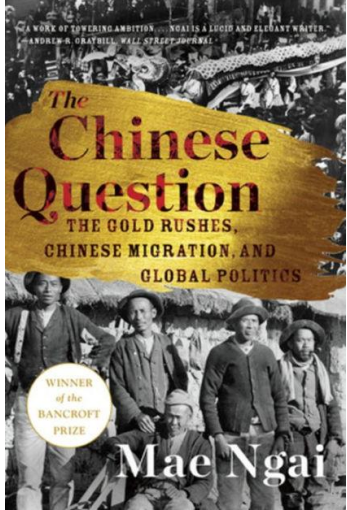
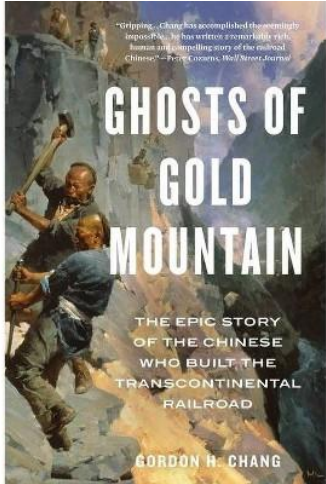
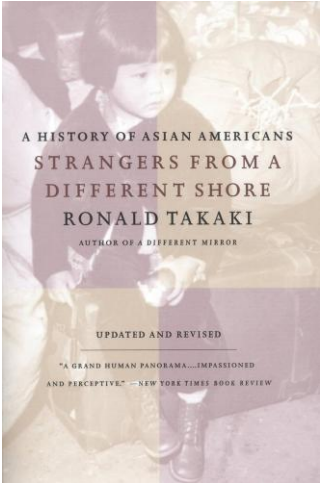
<https://www.amazon.com/Chinese-Question-Rushes-Global-Politics/dp/0393634167>

A Chinaman’s Chance: The Chinese on the Rocky Mountain Mining Frontier by Liping Zhu.

<https://www.amazon.com/Chinamans-Chance-Chinese-Mountain-Frontier/dp/087081575X>

Polly Bemis: The Life and Times of a Chinese American Pioneer by Priscilla Wegars.

<https://www.amazon.com/Polly-Bemis-Chinese-American-Pioneer/dp/0870046403>



Previous Research

The Twin Falls County Historic Preservation Commission contracted Cannon Heritage Consultants (CHC) to conduct an archaeological inventory of the historic mining sites in the Snake River Canyon between the Perrine and Hansen Bridges for their inclusion in a proposed National Register Snake River Canyon Historic Mining District.

The proposed National Register Snake River Canyon Historic Mining District will preserve Chinese placer mining features, habitation sites, trading posts, and 1930s Depression-Era mining activities.

The current survey builds upon previous excavations, surveys, and research by Ronald L. James:

1991 Chinese Sites Survey, Snake River Canyon 1990-91. Manuscript on file with SHPO, Idaho State Historical Society, Boise.

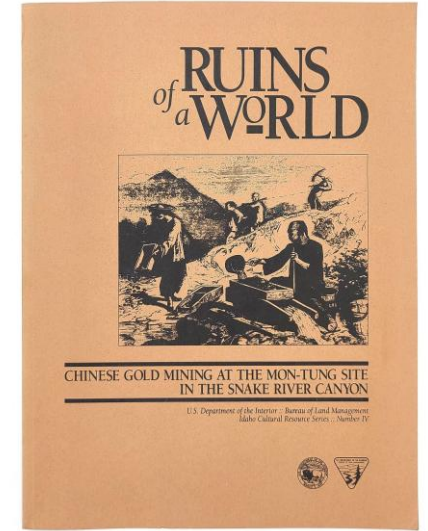
1995 *Ruins of a World: Chinese Gold Mining at the Mon-Tung Site in the Snake River Canyon*. Idaho Cultural Resource Series, Washington, D.C.: Bureau of Land Management.

<https://archive.org/details/ruinsofworldchin00rona>

Dr. Kenneth Cannon and Cannon Heritage Consultants have conducted archaeological studies of Chinese railroad sites in northern Utah.

Life Along the Grade: Archaeology of the Chinese Railroad Builders and Maintenance Crews in Utah. Kenneth Cannon, Chris Merritt. Presented at Society for Historical Archaeology, Washington, D.C. 2016 (tDAR id: 434342)

The Archaeology of Chinese Railroad Workers in Utah: Results of Surveys in Box Elder and Emery Counties. Kenneth P. Cannon, et. al. USUAS Special Report Number 3, Utah Antiquities Project, September 2016.



The remains of a house for Chinese workers in Terrace Terrace—the first that archaeologists have fully excavated. The original floorboards are visible beneath the sand. Photo credit: Matt Stirn

Additional articles and books available for reference include:

Secrets of the Magic Valley and Hagerman's Remarkable Horse. Edited by Todd Shallat. 2002, Black Canyon Communications.

Hidden Heritage: Historical Archaeology of the Overseas Chinese. Edited by Priscilla Wegars. 1993 Baywood Publishing Co., N.Y.

Chinese American Death Rituals: Respecting the Ancestors. Edited by Sue Fawn Chung and Priscilla Wegars. 2005, Altamira Press.

Charles S. Walgamott. *Reminiscences of Early Days A Series of Historical Sketches and Happenings in the Early Days of Snake River Valley*. Published by author, Twin Falls Idaho, 1926.

Six Decades Back. 1990, University of Idaho re-print edition available online:
<https://archive.org/details/sixdecadesback0000walg/page/n5/mode/2up>

“The price of the Iron Horse: A look at Hailey’s railroad-town beginnings, Chinese contributions”

By Emily Jones, *Mountain Express* Staff Writer Aug 31, 2022.

https://www.mtexpress.com/area_history/the-price-of-the-iron-horse-a-look-at-hailey-s-railroad-town-beginnings-chinese/article_49a89552-28a0-11ed-8e4d-577ef18c7e2a.html

