

PROJECT SEQUOIA

The work on #8 is moving along every week end with Sat. as a main work day. Just last Saturday the air pump was removed and cleaned. With this rate of work and with the growing work crew on hand the sound of a steam whistle will once again be heard in Portola.

THE FEATHER WESTERN PACIFIC HISTORIC INFORMATION

by JOHN J RYCZKOWSKI

1937 STEEL BOX CARS

WP 0207 RENUMBERED FROM 20094 BLT BY MT VERNON CAR & MFG CO MAY 1937 SERIES 20001-20200, ORIGINAL COST OF \$2567.50. THIS SERIES WAS THE FIRST ALL STEEL BOX CARS ORDERED BY THE WP, ALL PREVIOUS ORDERS WERE ALL WOODEN OR WOOD WITH STEEL END BOX CARS. THESE CARS SMALL BY TODAY'S STANDARDS HAVE ALL BEEN SCRAPPED, 8111 & 0207 WERE THE LAST TWO IN USE IN MofW SERVICE. 8111 HAS

Please find enclosed a copy of the new brochure that Norm Holmes and John Ryczkowski put together and had printed. It folds in two places so that the map is on the back and the application is to the inside, with our logo on the front. Please show it around and if you would like more please send a S-A-S-E to the society for as many as you may need.

JUST BEEN CUT UP AND THE 20094 IS THE ONLY CAR LEFT. IN 1941 15 CARS IN THIS SERIES WAS EQUIPPED WITH STEAM HEAT AND AIR SIGNAL PIPING, STENCILED MERCHANDISE DISPATCH AND RENUMBERED INTO SERIES 220001-220200 AT SACRAMENTO SHOPS. THE CARS WERE USED FOR L.C.L. SHIPMENTS AND OPERATED IN PASSENGER TRAIN SERVICE. OUR CAR #20094 DID NOT SEE THIS SERVICE BUT WE ARE GOING TO LETTER IT IN THIS STYLE, THE CAR IS PULLMAN GREEN WITH YELLOW LETTERING AND STRIPE. THE PHOTO SHOWS 220106 AT OAKLAND IN 1941 PHOTO BY WC WHITTAKER.

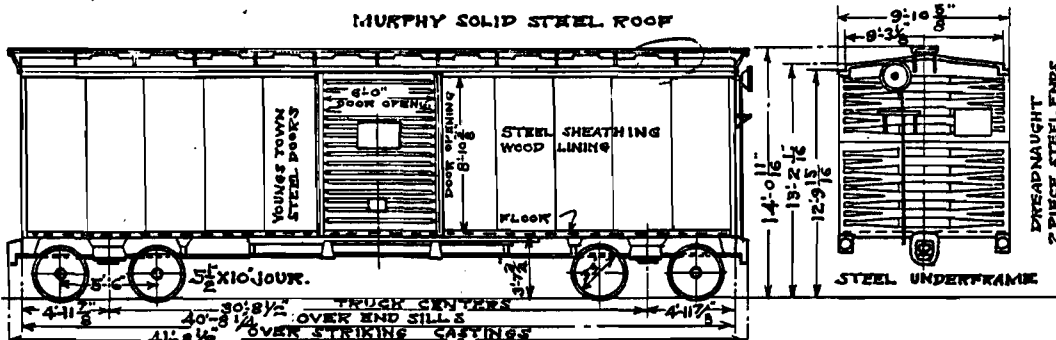


BUILDERS SPECIF. NO. 9198

BOX CAR (AAR. MODIFIED) CLASS XM
BUILT BY MT. VERNON CAR & MFG. CO. MAY 1937
AFE 70-37

CAR NOS. 20001-20200
ORIG. NO. OF CARS 200

MURPHY SOLID STEEL ROOF



A&F. SPRING FLANLESS S&F FRAME TRUCK
MINOR FRIC. DRAFT GEAR A-2-XB
AAR. FRICTION BEARINGS

LENGTH INSIDE	40'-6"	CAPACITY	100,000 LBS.	WEIGHT-BODY	29810
WIDTH	9'-2"	"	3526 CU.FT.	" TRUCKS	14590
HEIGHT	9'-6"	"		" TOTAL	44400LBS.

CAR NOS.	NEW NOS.	OLD NOS.
220071	20071	
220084	20084	
220085	20085	
220086	20086	
220089	20089	
220092	20092	
220105	20105	
220106	20106	
220108	20108	
220136	20136	
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