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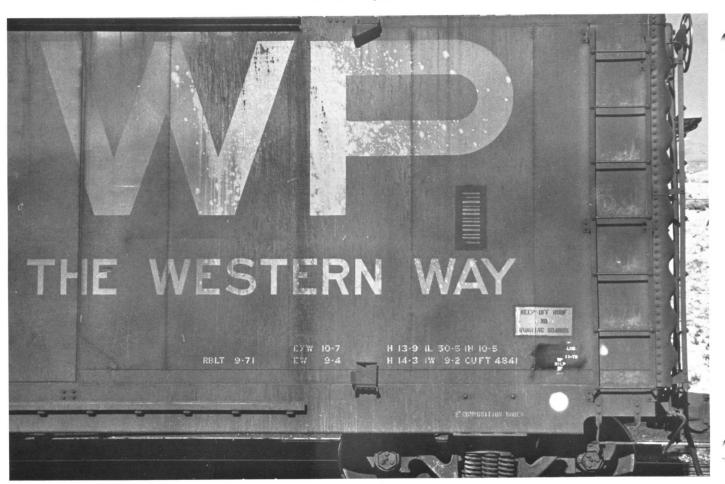
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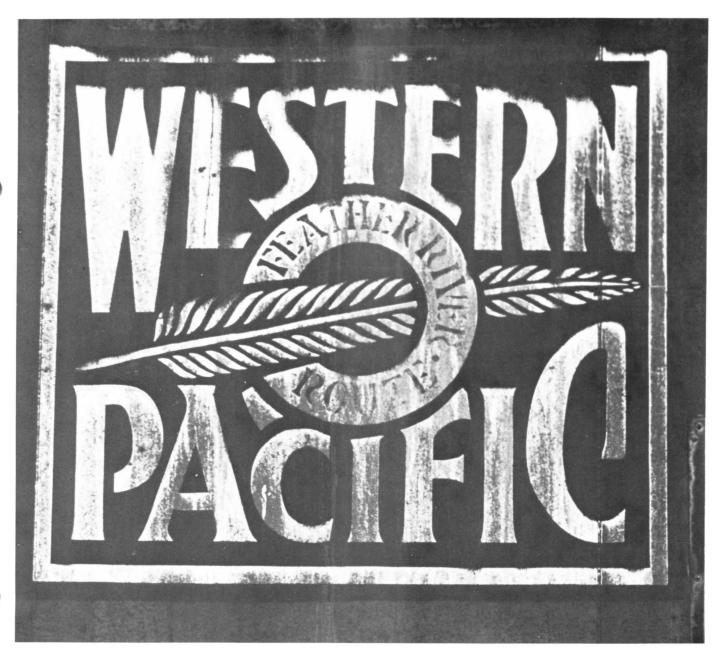
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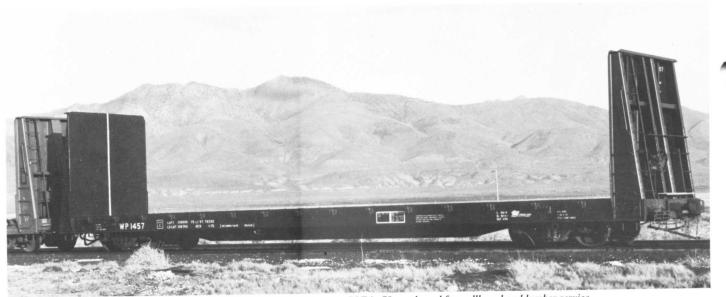
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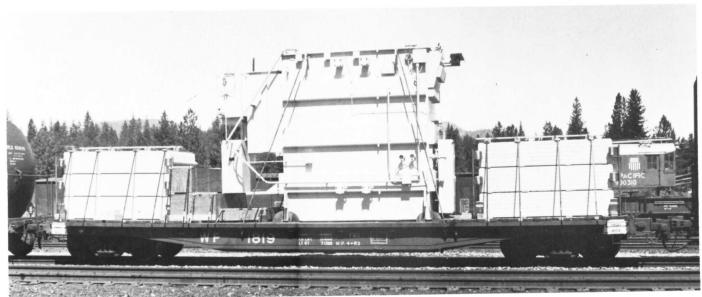


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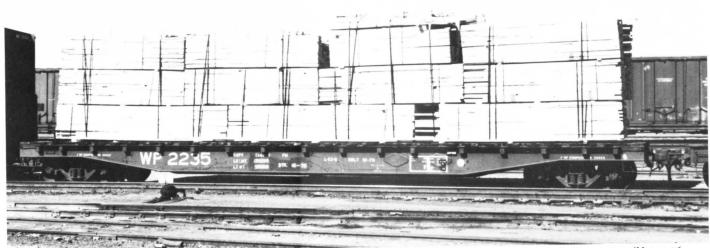




WP 1457, shown here at Gerlach, NV, this series BLT in 78 was leased for wallboard and lumber service.



WP 1819 at Portola in its assigned service, transformers from Milpitus, CA.



This series 2231-2250 were reblt in 1978 from 50' flat cars by adding 3'6" in the middle. Houses are made from 8' long studs, it was not possible to get 6 stacks of 8' material on a 50' flat and still have clearance for tie down and the brakewheel. Many 50' cars were stretched to 53-6 for this reason.

WESTERN PACIFIC FREIGHT CARS AT MERGER

by John J. Ryczkowski

WESTERN PACIFIC JANUARY 1983

SERIES	TYPE AAR	IL	CUFT	DOOR	CAPY	BLT	BUILDER	UNIT
1101-1124	FLAT FC 20'35'&				135	59	PULLMAN	24
1401-1410	FLAT FBS center be		*	*	198	77	THRALL	10
1451-1490	FLAT FBS bulkhead			*	186	78	THRALL	40
1601-1602	FLAT FD depressed	25 center			300 ers)	74	MAXON	2
1811-1820		ushioni rocket	.ng dev ; engin	ice, s e segm	pecial		GUNDERSON ding device	
1841-1850	FLAT FMS special c						GUNDERSON	10
1901-1906	FLAT FMS exPC, far		* .ney - au		121 s	XX	M&K	5
2090-2146	FLAT FM	56	*	*	154	55	THRALL	16
2151-2175	FLAT FMS special c		* & tie-			64	GUNDERSON	23
2226-2230	FLAT FMS depressed special c	platfo	rm 3'	4" abo	ve rai	l he	MAXON ad oped (trans	5 formers)
2231-2250	FLAT FMS	53-6	*	*	127	72	GUNDERSON	20
2701-2802	FLAT FM	50	*	*	110	53	WP RR	40
2817-2930	FLAT FB bulkhead	48 - 6 (wallb		*	15,4	42	MT VERNON	10
2931-3000	FLAT FB bulkhead			*	154	55	THRALL	24
3102-3105							PC&F aper loadin	
3151-3167	BOX XL cushioned						PC&F s GE applia	9 nces
3171-3187	BOX XM reno 3151						PC&F	8
3201-3220	BOX XM special c				148	67	PC&F	19
3334-3369							PULLMAN member load	



These flat cars were BLT in 1942 and converted to bulkhead flats in the early fifties.



This 50' high cube box car in series 3101-3105 was assigned to paper service.



This large high cube box car, in series 3151-3167, was assigned to the GE appliance pool. This type of box car was designed to carry large volume low weight items.

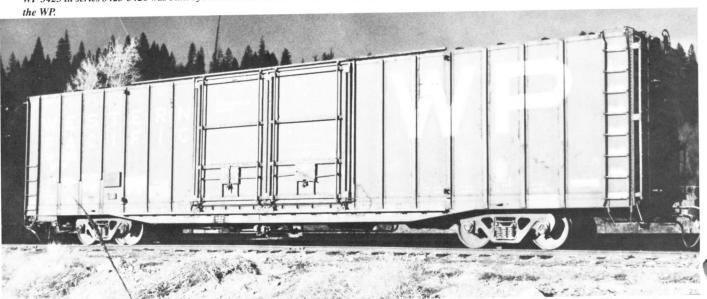
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3373	BOX XM	50 - 5	4827	8	110	55	PULLMAN	1
3424-3425	BOX XM	40-6	4010	8	125	61	PULLMAN	2
3701-3725	BOX XP auto parts	60 - 9	6131	16	177	63	PULLMAN	20
3726-3736	BOX XP auto parts	60 - 9	5880	16	163	69	THRALL	11
3737-3744	BOX XP auto parts	60 - 9	6250	15	173	70	MAXON	8
3761-3767	BOX XP auto parts		6963	16	169	73	GREENVILLE	7
3768-3775	BOX XP leased aut		7316 s pool		96	XX	XX	8
3789-3798	BOX XL DF-2 loade	50 - 5	4752	15	110	55	PULLMAN	5
3838-3989	BOX XL fully adju		4752 DF lo		110	55	PULLMAN	17
3972	BOX XMM	50 - 6	4853	15	110	55	PULLMAN	1
3996-4006	BOX XL old feathe auto parts			8 ioned	110 with c	55 ross	PULLMAN member loade	7 ers
4051-4060	BOX XL cushioned,	50 - 5 dual			143 divid		US RAILWAY	10
4401-4425	GOND GBS cradles, c		976 strip	* steel	172 reb	53 lt 6	GREENVILLE 401 series	25
5001-5070	GOND GS wood rack	45 - 9 wood		* oading	156	53	AMERICAN	53
5101-5112	GOND GT wood chip			*	192	74	MAXON	12
6011-6015	GOND GBSR covered, c						THRALL	5
6054	GOND GBSR covered, m				156	45	MT VERNON	1
6062		65 - 4 secti		* ovable	135 roof,		GREENVILLE ovable blkhe	1 eads
6064	GOND GBR covered, 3			* ovable	137 roof,		MT VERNON able blkhead	1 ds
6201-6210	GOND GT oro dam co		2025 tion o			63	MAGOR	9
6300-6400	GOND GBS mill, drop				158 iled s			42
6508-6596	GOND GB	52 - 6	1745	*	160	45	MT VERNON	15
6603-6800	GOND GB drop ends	52 - 6	1745	*	160	49	GREENVILLE	41



WP 3373 renumbered from the 36001 series, was equipped with a Sparton Easy Loader and assigned to the auto parts pool.



WP 3425 in series 3423-3426 was built by Pullman-Standard in 1961, came equipped with DF² loader and roller bearing trucks. Last PS-1 type built for the WP.

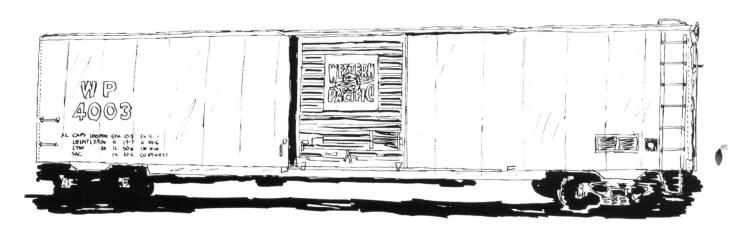


Series 3701-3725 were the first specially designed auto parts cars that came to the WP. Pullman built these cars in 1963 and all other 60' auto parts cars came from 3 other car builders.

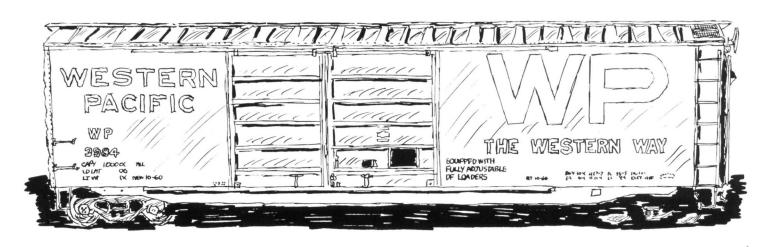
SERIES	TYPE AAR	IL	CUFT	DOOR	CAPY	BLT	BUILDER	JNIT
6801 - 6850	GOND GB drop ends	52 - 6	1728	*	162	59	AC&F	46
6902-7082	GOND GB solid ends	46 , bott	2412 om 700	* 2 - 703	167 6 have	54 end	PULLMAN slope sheet:	64 s
7701-7740	GOND GB scrap stee	52-6	4850	*	188	73	THRALL	40
8801-9000	FLAT FC tofc/cofc	89-6	*	*	140	80	PULLMAN	200
9001-9049	GOND GBS drop ends,	65 - 6 steel		* equi	157 pped	49 (hot	GREENVILLE stl billets	40
9051-9065	GOND GBS drop ends,	65 - 8 steel	3252 floor,	* equi	187 pped	70 (hot	MAXON stl billets	15)
9102-9400	GOND GS drop botto	46 m	2412	*	166	53	AMERICAN	2
9701-9793	GOND GS drop botto		2410	*	162	58	AC&F	6
10001-10050	HOP HK ballast se	38-8 lectiv	2200 e	*	205	70	DARBY CORP	50
10086-10200	HOP HT open top	39	2800	*	203	74	MIDWEST	109
10201-10230	HOP HM open top	39 - 1	2220	*	205	73	MAXON	28
10231-10295	HOP HT open top	39	2800	*	200	75	MIDWEST	65
10301-10575	HOP HM open top	34	2300	*	200	81	PORTEC	275
10601-10700	HOP HK ballast se	30 - 9 electiv	1663 e	*	172	53	PULLMAN	93
10701-10800	HOP HK ballast se	31 - 6 electiv		*	171	57	AC&F	99
10801-11000	HOP HM open top	38-2	2300	*	200	81	TRINITY	200
11201-11210	CVHOP LO	29 - 3	2003	*	168	56	PULLMAN	6
11301-11330	CVHOP LO	29 - 3	2003	*	168	58	PULLMAN	20
11501-11510	CVHOP LO	41	2893	*	158	58	PULLMAN	9
11526-11534	CVHOP LO ex Sacrame	41 ento No	3200 orthern	*	155	59	AC&F	9
11536-11545	CVHOP LO ex Sacrame	41 ento No	3219 orthern	*	156			10
11551-11559	CVHOP LO ex Sacrame	41 ento No	3500 orthern	*	156			6
11601-11616	CVHOP LO airslide	29 - 6	2600	*	161	58	GATX	12
11617-11662	CVHOP LO airslide	29 - 6	2600	*	162	65	GATX	40



This style of 60' auto parts car built by Thrall is symbolic of all the cars built after car number 3726.



 $4003\ a\ renumber\ from\ the\ 3011\ feather\ car\ series\ now\ sports\ this\ one\ of\ a\ kind\ paint\ scheme.\ Assigned\ to\ McInerney\ Spring\ \&\ Wire\ in\ Grand\ Rapids,\ M1.$



PS built series 3838 thru 3989 for WP with Evens DF loaders for auto parts service.

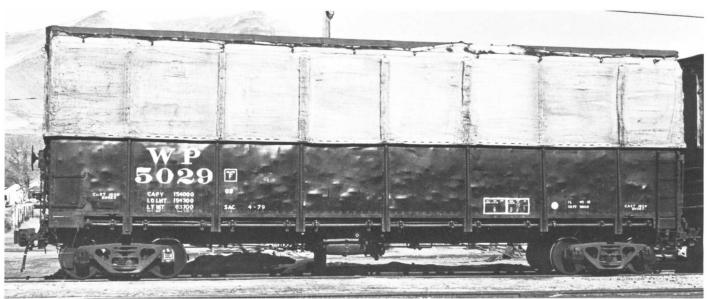
SERIES	TYPE AAR	IL	CUFT	DOOR	CAPY	BLT	BUILDER	UNIT
11671-11675	CVHOP LO airslide	48	4180	*	188	65	GATX	5
11676-11698	CVHOP LO airslide	48	4180	*	188	66	GATX	23
11701-11712	CVHOP LO stainless			*	196	62	THRALL	12
11713	CVHOP LO 3 compartm	ent st	ainles	s stee	l car	64	THRALL	1
11751-11795	CVHOP LO center-flo	ω, 12'	hatch	es		67	AC&F	43
11796-11800	CVHOP LO center-flo				198	67	AC&F	5
11801-11825	CVHOP LO center-flo					64	AC&F	24
11826-11850	CVHOP LO center-flo			* hatche		72	AC&F	25
11901-11965	CVHOP LO center-flo			* hatche		74	AC&F	62
11966-12000	CVHOP LO center-flo	ow, 30"	roof		S	75	AC&F	35
12001-12050	CVHOP LO center-flo	49-9	4650	* hatche	197 s, ric	79 e lo	AC&F ading	50
12051-12100	CVHOP LO 12' roof b	natches	, powd	dered c	ypsum	serv	ice	50
13101-13150	cushioned	, bulkh	eads	(wallb	oard)		GUNDERSON	49
13301-13150	FLAT FC articulat	ed, 2 c	ars as	s singl	Le A&B	unit	, 20' conta	7 iners
18551	BOX XL ford axle			15	110	55	PULLMAN	
18563	BOX XL auto part	50 - 5	4840	8	110	55	PULLMAN	1
19308-19450	BOX XM ex automo	50 - 5 oile ca	4850 irs, ev	15 Jans au	120 uto loa		PULLMAN equipped	9
19801-19850	BOX XM reblt fro	50-6 m PS-1	4772 40' ca	10 ars, cu			PULLMAN F-1 loaders	9
20821-21398	BOX XM	40-6	3903	7	131	51	PULLMAN	10
21513	BOX XM	40-6	3903	7	131	51	PULLMAN	1
22001-22022	BOX XM 22022 las	40-6 t car,	3903 lined		131 lour s			1
30001-30010	BOX XM reno from			15 1, pape			PULLMAN	5
34004-34023	BOX XM reno from	50 - 5 35101	4900 serie		110 05 onl			1



Greenville built these shorty (29') Gonds for coil steel service.



WP 5049 is one of WP's "Keep California Green" wood chip cars. WP built these wooden racks after SP's beet gons.



 $In 1979\ several\ wood\ chip\ cars\ were\ reblt\ at\ the\ Sacramento\ Shops\ and\ had\ sprayed\ on\ foam\ insulation\ applied.\ They\ were\ used\ to\ transport\ alfalfa\ pellets\ from\ Winnemucca,\ Nevada.$

SERIES	TYPE	AAR	IL	CUFT	DOOR	CAPY	BLT	BUILDER	UNIT
35001-35199	BOX	ΧM	50 - 5	4840	15	120	54	PULLMAN	9
35201-35400	BOX	ΧM	50 - 5	4840	15	120	55	PULLMAN	15
35407-35418	BOX naila	XM ole s		4840 loor,	15 lumber	120 servi		PULLMAN 35415 las	1 st car
3550 1- 35646	BOX	XM	50-5	4840	15	120	57	PULLMAN	5
35801-35900	BOX ex Sa	XM crame		4840 rthern		120	55	PULLMAN	11
36002-36050	BOX	XM	50 - 6	4844	8	124	55	PULLMAN	18
36102-36120	BOX ex fea	XM ather			8 , 3611		55 cars	PULLMAN	2
37001-37200	BOX reblt	XM from		4841 S - 1 bo	10 x cars	158	71	PC&F	184
38001-38225			tl flo	or, la		nchors		FMC mber load ner cars	225 ding
38226-38325		XM ole s		5148 or, la	16 ding a		80	PC&F	100
39001-39010	BOX reno f	XMI From (4445 series	14	145	76	US RAILU	JAY 6
4500 1- 45200	BOX reno f				15 auto 1			PULLMAN noved	7
60101-60290	BOX insula				9 crossmo				39
60301-60340	BOX reno f		50 - 1 series		9 RBL to				40
60405-60440	BOX ex Sad			4477 rthern	9 cars,			THRALL	27
60501-60514	BOX insula	XLI ated,		4555 oned,	10 air pal		62 divi	PC&F iders	13
60601-60650					15 ulated			PC&F d, load o	44 dividers
60651-60800								PC&F d, load o	
61001-61050					14 ulated	151	60	PC&F	40
61051-61086					16 ulated				36
61091-61092					15 , XLI +		64	PC&F	2
61101-61296					10 55951 s				188
62001-62225		plug	door	s, ins				PC&F d, dual a	196 ir



WP 6015 is one of 4 classes of covered gons used to transport coiled steel. The covered series were used for special shipments that needed weather protection.



6206 was rebuilt in Sacramento 6-82 and repainted gloss black using the simplified lettering scheme. 10 of these cars were purchased by WP from the Oroville Dam Contractors after that large Northern California earthen Dam was completed.



Three classes of 52' drop end gondolas from 3 builders totaling 325 cars, with only 144 left in 1983.

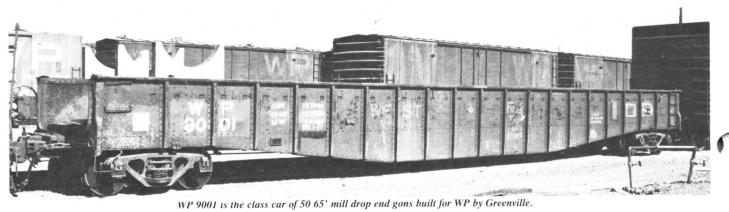
SERIES	TYPE AAR	IL CUFT	DOOR CAPY	BLT BUILDER	UNIT
64001-64074	double plu		sulated, cus	65 PC&F Shioned, load coiled tinplate	68
64501-64748		50 - 1 4512 1 60001 seri		78 PC&F ed, dual air paks	121
64801-64934	reblt from		es, insulate	76 US RAILWAY	/ 119
64951-64995	reblt from		es, insulate	75 UNARCO ed, cushioned	43
65,001-65113	reblt from	50 - 1 4361 n 55901 seri nal load div	es, insulate	72 AC&F ed, cushioned	99
65201-65400				74 PC&F ak load dividers	192
65401-65600		52 - 6 5156 cushioned,		75 PC&F ak load dividers	190
66001-66050				65 PC&F ak load dividers	43
66101-66200		60 - 6 5583 cushioned,			95
66501-66550		60-9 5975 slated, cush		73 PC&F air pak dividers	49
67001-67006	BOX XLI insulated,	60 5158 cushioned,	10 150 Coors beer		5
67007-67019		60 - 1 5235 cushioned,		70 PULLMAN service	13
67020-67041		60 5665 cushioned,			22
67042-67051		cushioned,		80 PC&F air pak ends of c	10 car
67052-67055				80 PC&F air pak ends of c	4 car
68226-68325		50 - 6 4824 cushioned,			95
68501-68766		50-6 5074 cushioned,		66 PC&F	208
86002-86035	BOX XP auto stamp		0 20 104	64 GREENVILLE	36
86036-86041	BOX XP auto stamp		0 20 142	67 THRALL	6
86042-86077	BOX XP auto stamp		0 20 144	67 PULLMAN	35



7064 was built by Pullman as a drop bottom GP gon and converted by WP into a solid bottom gon.



PS built these flats for Trailer-Train but they never took delivery. WP leased them from Railpool, a competitor of TTX. TTX sued WP because they said that yellow flats with black lettering is a TTX trademark, to make TTX happy WP started painting the cars solid black.



SERIES	TYPE	AAR	IL	CUFT	DOOR	CAPY	BLT	BUILDER (JNIT
86078-86102	BOX auto			10000	20	151	68	THRALL	23
86103-86127	BOX auto			10000	20	148	73	THRALL	25
89001 - 89010	FLAT enclos	FA sed tr	89 - 4 i-leve	*	* (blt			W & K ead & Kales)	9
89101-89110						72 9101 or		W & K car, reno 890	1
95951 - 95967						139 ated, l		FGE dividers	16
96043-96118		Growe	ers Exp			138 ated, c			75
98093-98096						140 ated, a		FGE ak load div.	4
99172			46 , side		*	165	54	PULLMAN	1
99216			46 , side		*	162	58	AC&F	1
259100 - 259299			49 - 3 teel c			154		UP RR	60
960854-960876						169 Ish. un			21

Total cars... 5500

AAR CODES

FA-transporting set-up vehicles FB-bulkhead flat cars FC-TOFC/COFC service, trailers FD-depressed center flat car FM-ordinary flat car --S-specially modified or equipped GB-open top car, solid bottom GS-open top car, drop bottom outside or inside rails GT-open top car, solid bottom use on dumping machines --R-roof for protection of lading HK-open top car, self-clearing HM-open top car, self clearing hinged crosswise hoppers HT-open top car, self clearing 3 or more hinged crosswise hoppers

LO-permanently enclosed car

bulk commodities



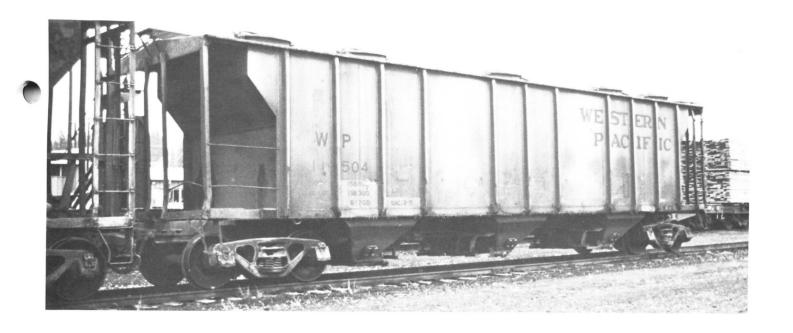
Darby Corp built 50 100 ton hoppers with selective ballast gates, used by WP in general service.

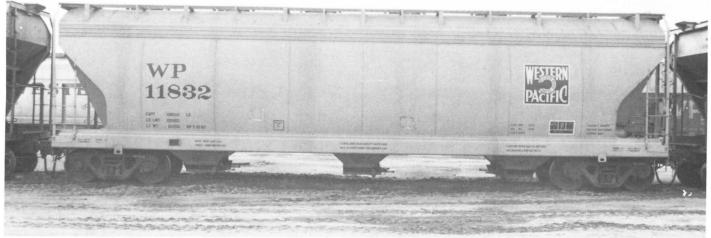


WP 10649 is now preserved at the Portola Railroad Museum, Portola, Calif.

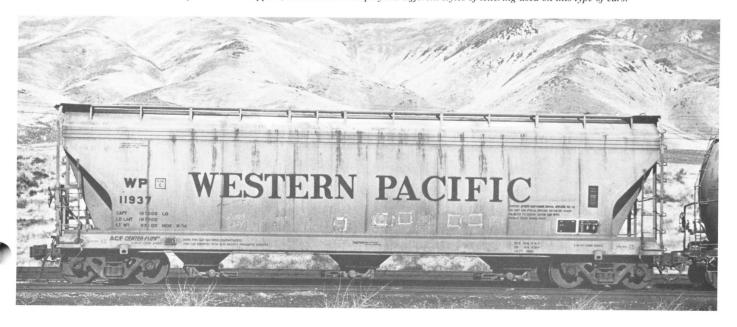


WP 11312 & 11504 are examples of Pullmans early PS-2 style covered hoppers.





WP's ACF center flow covered hoppers, 11832 & 11937 display the different styles of lettering used on this type of cars.

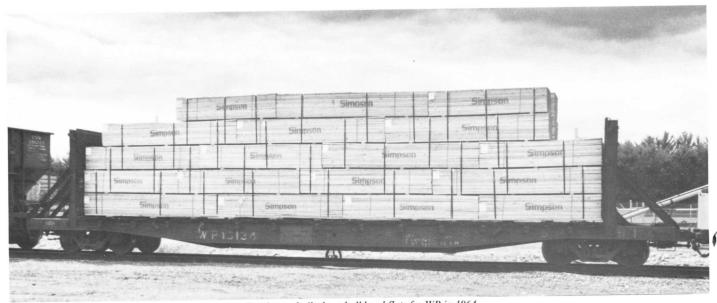




WP 12100 the last covered hopper, shown here in Winnemucca, NV., was built by FMC and used in gypsum service.



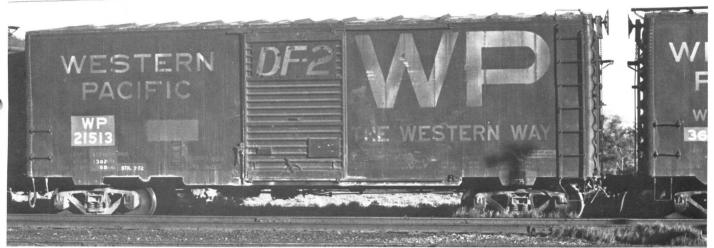
WP's fleet of General American Built Airslide® covered hoppers are used primarily for flour service.



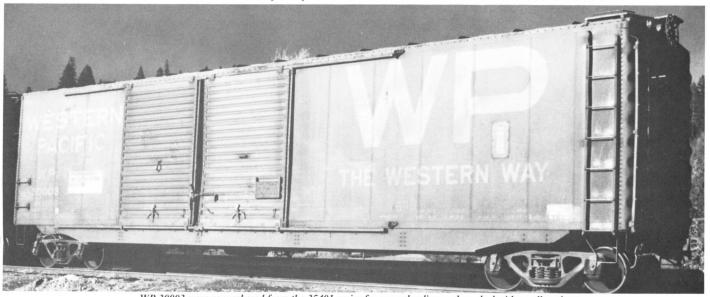
Gunderson built these bulkhead flats for WP in 1964.



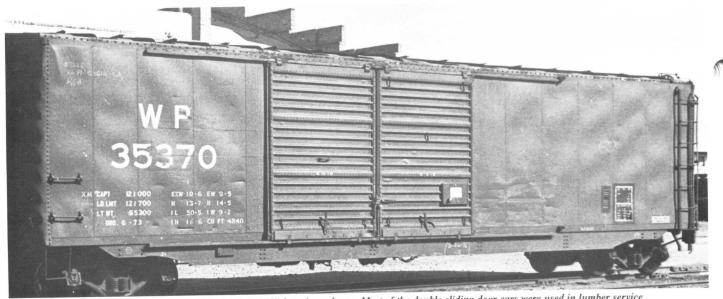
PS-1, WP 20821, is one of only 10 left out of 600 delivered by Pullman in 1951.



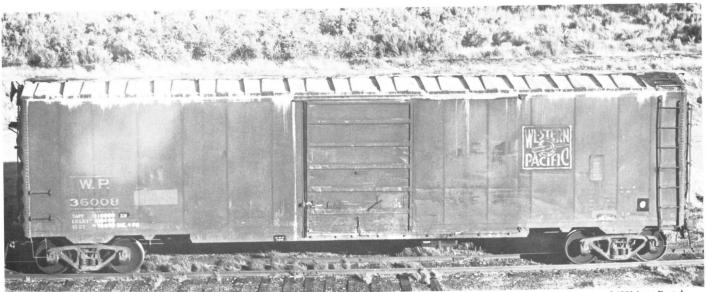
Standard box cars in class 20821, were converted into several classes of loader equipped box cars. Cars in series 34XX were equipped and as the loaders were removed the cars were returned to XM service they were put into this 215XX series. 21513 is now at the Portola Railroad museum.



WP 30003 were renumbered from the 35401 series for paper loading and marked with a yellow door.



WP 35370 is now lettered with WP's simplified 15" lettering scheme. Most of the double sliding door cars were used in lumber service.



36008 is one of fifty 50' single 8' door PS-1 box cars built in 1955. Several cars were renumbered into equipped service for auto parts, 36011 is at Portola.



FMC & PC&F delivered the last new cars to WP, these cars were for lumber service replacing the aging Pullman double door cars. Car 38126 up came with the new stylized feather herald.

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WP 60109 with "Cushion Protection" yellow lettering was the scheme used on cars with cushion underframes.



WP 60303 a rehabed, renumbered 60132 series, from RBL to XLI cars. Repainted at the same time into the simplified paint scheme.



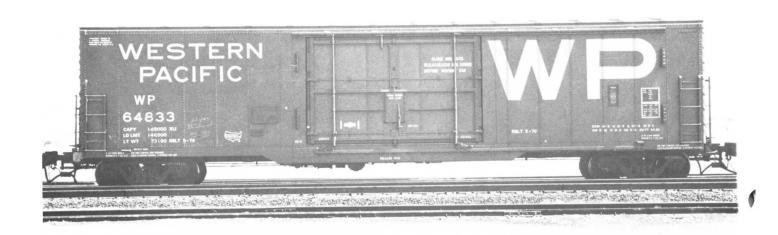
WP 60421 an exSacramento Northern series 8010, is the first WP car to be painted with the stylized herald, shown here being painted at the Stockton rip tracks in 1979.



61063 is a double insulated box car used for temperature sensitive shipments. This class of cars has Hydro-Cushion Underframes.



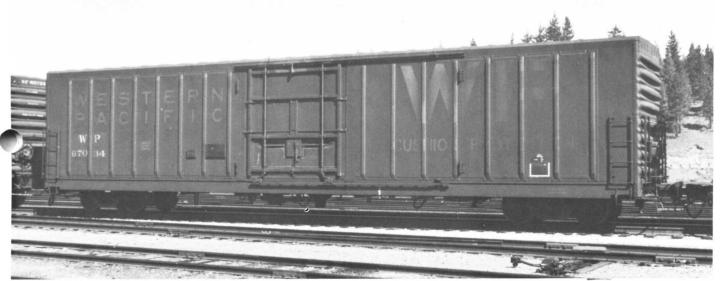
WP 62147 is an example of several classes of double plug door XLI type box cars that WP pioneered for loading canned goods. In the late seventies WP brought back the Feather River Route herald to many of its repainted cars.



WP had several classes of cars rebuilt in 1976 with large 14' plug doors for canned goods loading with a forklift.



65288, a canned goods car, with dual air pak air bags at each end of the car to hold load tightly in place. This car has a one of a kind painted scheme applied in 1981.



WP 67014 is one car in 4 classes of insulated 60' box cars assigned to COORS.



In the late seventies WP experimented with different colors on this class of car, orange, blue & green was used with the Feather River Route herald. But the cars went thru a program shortly after painting and were repainted along with all cars in the series into this simplified 15" white lettering.



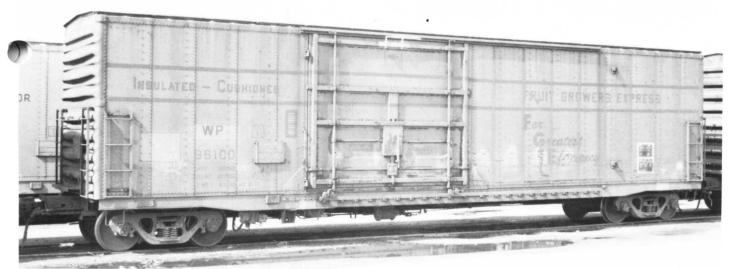
"Another Distribution Dividend From" was the slogan used on this series of 86' auto parts cars. Built in 1964, the lettering was yellow and the large double doors were silver . . . note the high brake wheel and a roofwalk.



WP 86118, built by Thrall in 1975, was assigned along with all 68000 series cars to the Ford auto parts pool.



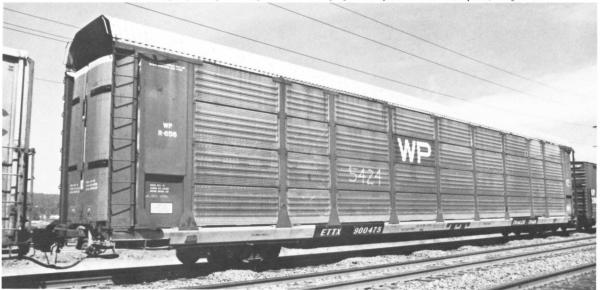
WP 89101 reno from 89001 and series 89002-89010 are assigned to Fords Fairlane Assembly Plant, Lorain, OH.



WP leased from Fruit Growers Express several different classes of insulated XLI box cars. The cars at the time of the UP merger were going back to FGE



WP leased 21 of this type of auto part cars from Union Pacific for Ford parts service to Milpitas, California.



Fully enclosed tri-level auto rack ETTX 900475 with WP rack R-656 is an example of 168 such racks used by WP to transport Ford products. Fully enclosed tri-levels are under ETTX, TTUX, TTKX, TTRX & KTTX for a total of 168 cars. Bi-levels are under BTTX, TTGX & TTBX with 52 partially enclosed, 20 screened, 17 fully enclosed for a total of 89 and a grand total of 257 cars . . .



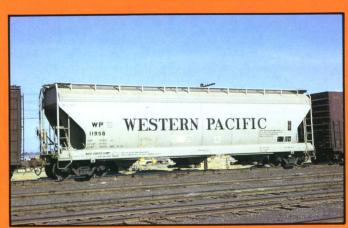
MW 0226 in original silver paint scheme



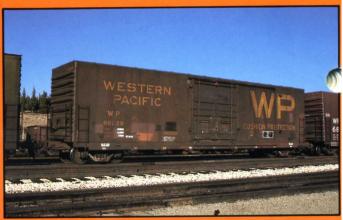
6538 in original yellow lettering scheme



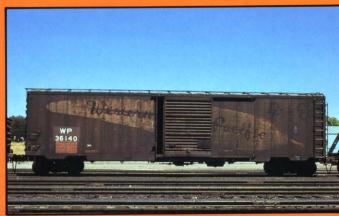
10254 HT class hopper



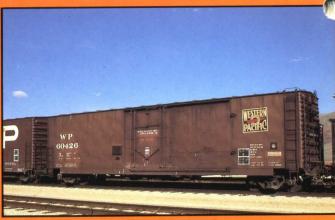
11958 ACF Center-Flow LO class hopper



68229 showing the yellow WP scheme



36140 feather scheme box car



60426 repainted using the Feather River Route herald



65484 showing the white WP scheme