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The first 1,000 cars of this design were constructed in 1937 by ACF and Pullman-Standard and were placed in the 50000 to 50999 series. The 1937 version was distinctive in its use of a two different types of vertical brake staffs and horizontal brake wheels. These were later replaced with standard power brake housings and cast wheels from various manufacturers.

ACF records show that the 1937-built GN cars had mineral brown sides and trucks, with boxcar red ends, roof and underframe.

The first herald used on these cars had the goat facing out inside a circular logo. The 1937, 1939, and at least some of the 1940 cars arrived with this outward-facing goat. These heralds contained the “See America First / Glacier National Park” slogan (See pages 11 and 12). The July 1954 repaint and reweigh of GN 50032 shown above has the herald adopted in 1948 with the silhouette of the goat facing to the side and with the “Great Northern / Railway” slogan (See the top photo on page 17).