

1939



*Ted Culotta collection*

No cars of this design were built in 1938.

The 1,000 cars in the 51000 to 51999 series cars were all built by Pullman-Standard in 1939.

The pre-1941 GN paint standard called for “freight car brown” (mineral brown) sides, “boxcar red” underframes and trucks, and black roof, running board and ends.

The first herald used on these cars had the goat facing out inside a circular logo. The 1937, 1939 and 1940 cars arrived with this outward-facing goat. These heralds contained the “See America First / Glacier National Park” slogan (See pages 14 and 15). This repaint of GN 51855, last reweighed in April 1961, has the herald adopted in 1948 with the silhouette of the goat facing to the side and with the “Great Northern / Railway” slogan.

1940



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One thousand cars of this design were acquired in 1940 from Pullman-Standard and Pressed Steel Car Co. - numbers 52000 to 52999.

The pre-1941 GN paint standard called for “freight car brown” (mineral brown) sides, “boxcar red” underframes and trucks, and black roof, running board and ends.

GN 52075 from this series, reweighed in July 1942, is shown here with its original paint and front-facing goat herald. These heralds contained the “See America First / Glacier National Park” slogan. The Pullman-Standard builder’s designation is barely visible to the left of the “LD LMT” and “LT WT” lettering.



1940-41



In 1940-41 the GN received 3,000 cars, which were placed in the 47000 to 49999 series, moving the car series numbers downwards. These cars came from Pullman-Standard, ACF and other builders.

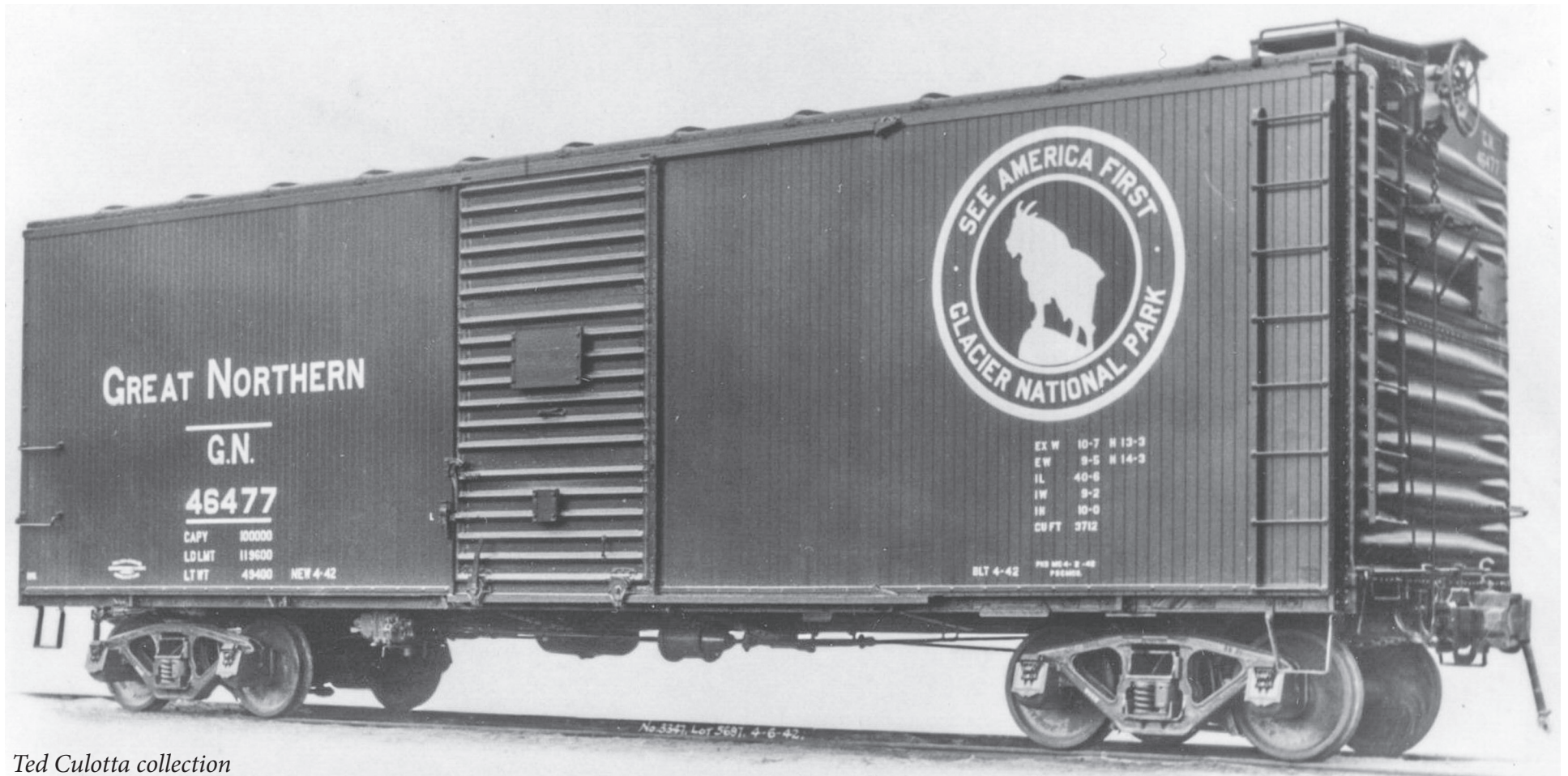
GN 49163 was built in September 1940 by the Pressed Steel Car Company, Inc. of Pittsburgh, PA. This builder's photo shows that the front-facing goat herald was used well into 1940. Other cars in this number series used the side-facing goat herald (See the bottom photo on page 17). All these heralds contained the "See America First / Glacier National Park" slogan.

ACF records show black ends, roof and underframe on the 1941-built car, while maintaining mineral brown sides and trucks. The black roof and ends are easily distinguished in this photo of GN 49163.

The 1941 GN paint standard specified boxcar red sides with a black roof, ends and underframe.



1942



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The last GN cars of this design were the 2,000 cars received in 1942 from Pullman-Standard, Pressed Steel Car Co., and General American. These last orders forced the car numbers down again into the 45000 to 46999 series.

The 1941 GN paint standard specified boxcar red sides with a black roof, ends and underframe.

GN 46477, built by Pullman-Standard in April, 1942, shows the new revision of the original herald with the goat now shown in a side-facing silhouette form. All of the original heralds used on the GN cars of this design contained the "See America First / Glacier National Park" slogan.