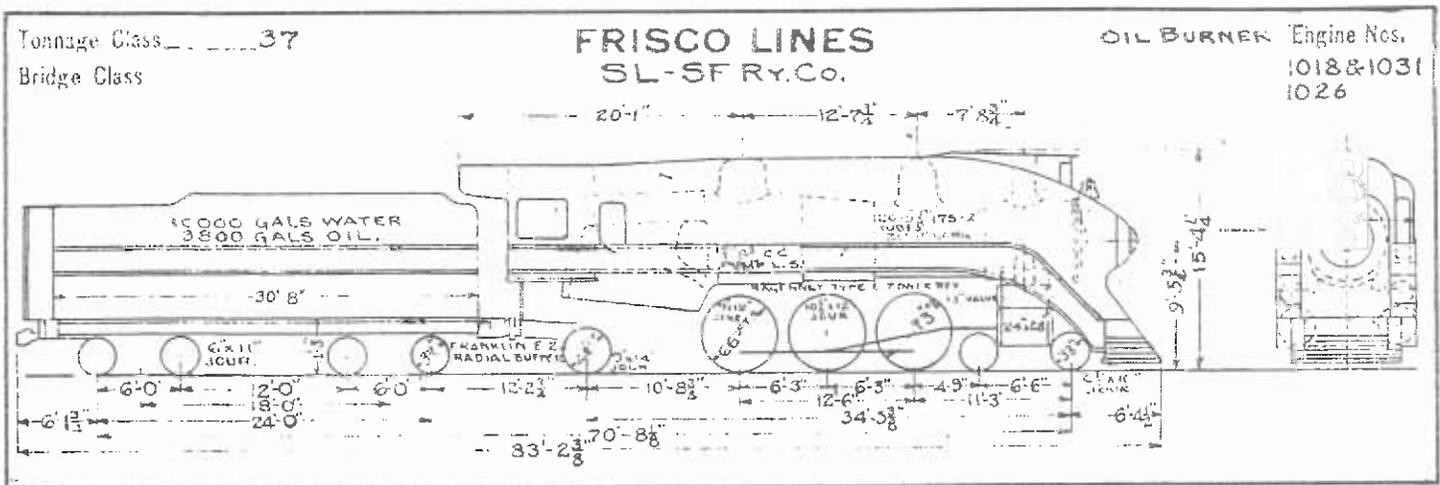


FRISCO'S FIREFLY LOCOMOTIVES

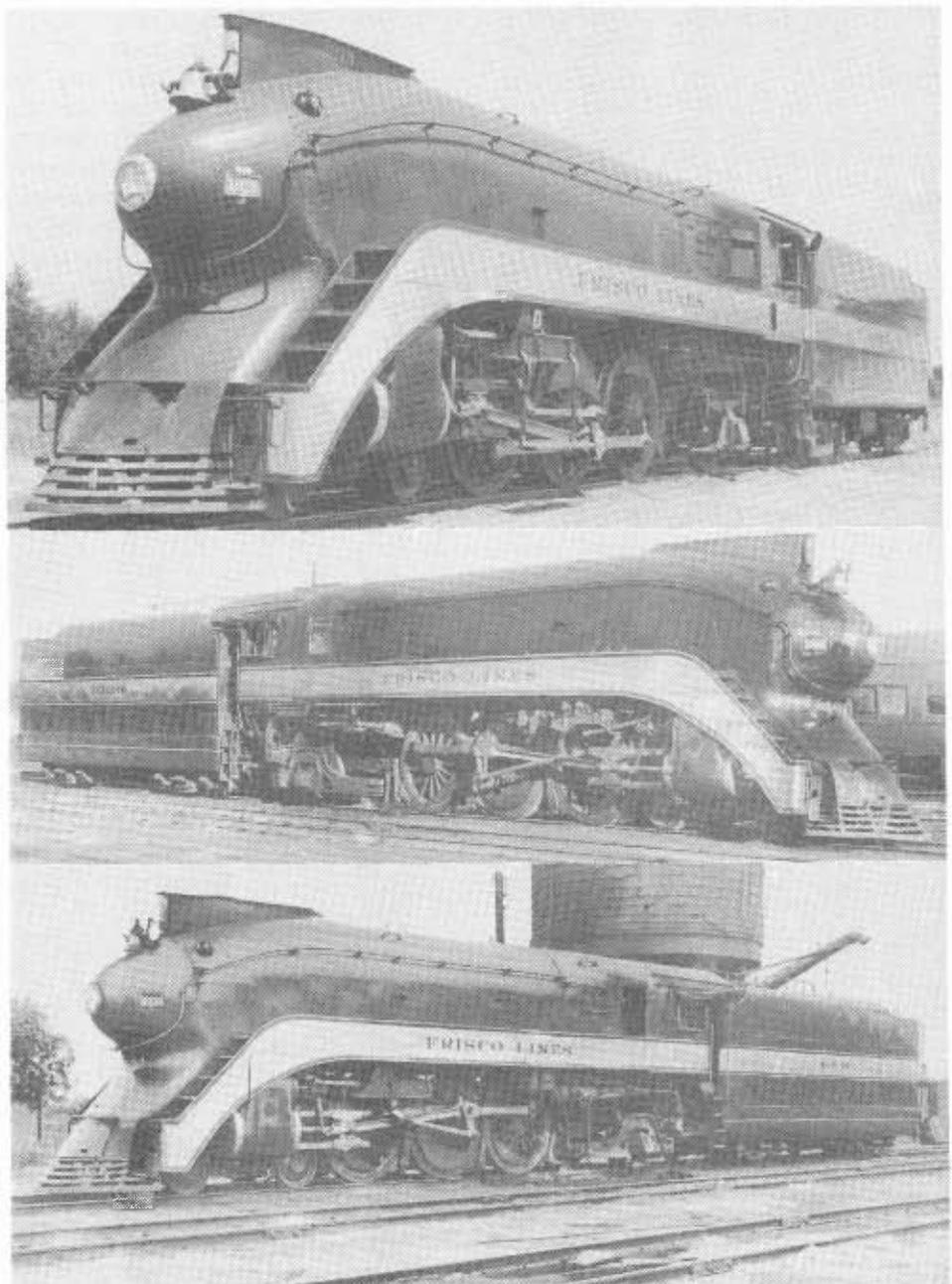
BY KARL BRAND



Frisco modelers in HO scale are fortunate because eleven classes of steam locomotives have been modeled in brass. Thanks to the efforts of Don Wirth, Sunset Models has produced two excellent model versions, Firefly and standard, of the 1015 Class Pacific engines. Using a scale rule, I checked the model against the dimensions in the locomotive diagram, and the model comes within 1-2 scale inches (0.0115-0.023") of matching the prototype. The exception being the drivers, which are 6 scale inches too small and the pilot truck wheel base, which is 6" too long. The smaller drivers were used to accommodate the over sized flanges, and yet still maintain a scale-length wheel base. The model can be painted and lettered as is, or with a little effort several changes can be made to enhance the model's appearance.

Typical of most brass models, the Firefly model is not a duplicate of any particular engine; it is, however, more of a representation of the entire group of Firefly engines. Since variations existed between locomotives and over time, changes to the model should (can) be made to reflect the era and locomotive modeled.

Using photographs and a locomotive diagram I produced a chronology as follows:



All photos from C.T. Felstead Collection

FIREFLYCHRONOLOGY
 FIREFLY PHOTOGRAPHS SORTED BY ENGINE VS DATE

DATE	#1018 COLE/FS/COMM	#1026***	#1031	REV.DATES
1939			COLE/NS/COMM DELTA/FS/?**	
		COLE/NS/COMM*		
1940	COLE/FS? COLE/FS/AND?		COLE/FS/COMM COLE/FS/AND?	7/17/40
1941				
1942				
1943				
1944				11/7/43
1945				
1946		COLE/FS/AND?	COLE/FS?	
1947				3/1/47
1948			DELTA/FS/AND	
1949				12/16/48
		SCR 5/31/49	SCR 10/21/49	8/4/49
1950	SCR 5/22/50			

FS= FULL SKIRT; NS= NO SKIRT; COLE= COLE TRAILING TRUCK; ?= UNKNOWN
 DELTA= DELTA TRAILING TRUCK; AND= ANDREW TRK; COMM= COMMONWEALTH TRK.
 REVISION DATES AS SHOWN ON LOCOMOTIVE DIAGRAMS
 *LOCOMOTIVE HAS PLATFORM TO PROVIDE ACCESS TO RUNNING GEAR
 ** PHOTO IN STAGNER'S BOOK GIVES DATE OF 1939, BUT BELIEVE THIS TO BE IN ERROR
 *** UNDATED PHOTO OF 1026 SHOWS THIS ENGINE WITH DELTA TRAILER

The tenders used on the Firefly engines came from the 1060 Class after their conversion to 4-6-4's, and received skirts late 1939 and 1940. The skirts on the model are straight, and can be curved inward if desired. Some of the literature indicates that the Commonwealth tender trucks replaced the Andrews trucks, but photographic evidence shows this to be incorrect, and the reverse to be true, i.e. the Commonwealth trucks were replaced by Andrews trucks by mid-1940. Those wishing to model as rebuilt engine can remove the skirts with a razor saw, and Commonwealth trucks, available from Precision Scale Models, can be used in lieu of the Andrews trucks found on the model. The two single-phase air compressors were probably replaced with a single 8-1/2",

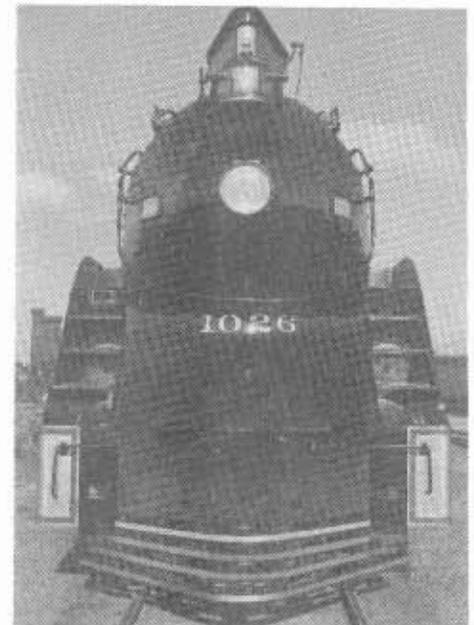
cross-compound air compressor during the mid-40's, 1943-1945. Cross-compound compressors are available from several firms that deal in brass castings. At least two of the engines, 1026 and 1031, received Delta trailers; this change probably occurred circa. 1947. Delta trailing trucks are also available from at least three manufacturers, although some cutting and filing would most likely be required to effect this change on the model.

I chose to model the 1026, since the model comes equipped with Baker valve gear. However, the power reverse is incorrectly mounted above the running board. The 1018 and 1031 had their power reverse mounted above the running board because Walschaert valve gear required more space than did the Baker-equipped 1026,

which had its power reverse gear mounted below the running board. Precision makes a Walschaert valve gear kit for the MDC 0-6-0, which might be adapted, but I concluded that it would be easier to move the power reverse than to change the valve gear. Some cutting, filing, and drilling would probably be required to apply the commercially made Walschaert parts to the model.

After all the changes have been made to the model, preparation can be made to paint the model. Three methods can be used to simulate the stainless steel bands. Nickel-plating the locomotive and tender superstructure is probably the best and most expensive method. I chose to use a product called Metalizer, a buffable paint which is available in several metallic shades, including stainless steel; the result is most convincing. Silver paint could be also be used, but I believe it to be a poor choice when compared with the other methods.

Before painting, disassemble the model into its major components, and prep the surface by immersing the parts in a solvent such as Floquil Dio-Sol (110001) which will provide an oil-free surface. After the parts have dried, mask the cylinder head covers (they were nickel plated by the factory) and the stainless bands if you had them nickeled. Seal the edges of the masking



1026 Springfield, MO May 20, 1938
 Frisco company photo

tape with a light coat of Floquil Glaze (110005), and spray on a coat of Floquil Zinc Chromate Primer (110601, and allow to dry, i.e. the paint smell should be absent. I like to speed the drying process along by placing the model in an oven at a temperature of no more than 150 degrees. Keeping the oven door open a crack will help moderate the oven temperature.

Spray the Metalizer (or silver paint) as directed, and buff the Metalizer to the desired finish when dry. Mask the stainless steel bands and again seal the edges of the masking tape with a light coat of Glaze. I believe that Floquil C&O Enchantment Blue (110057) is probably as good a match for Zephyr Blue that can be found. I base this solely on a color video of several 4500's and the 1026, and a color photograph of a 4500.

EDITOR'S NOTE: The C&O Enchantment Blue has recently been verified by a former Frisco paint shop employee, who worked on the Firefly locomotives, as being as close a match as he could remember.

Add about 10% - 15% glaze to the blue and spray the steam chest and the locomotive and tender superstructures. A slightly faded blue may be obtained by adding just a touch of white or gray. Remove the masking tape, and let the paint dry. While the blue paint is drying, paint the locomotive frame, drivers, trucks, and tender underframe Floquil Grimy Black (110013). Check for areas where the paint may have bled under the mask, and touch-up as necessary. Paint the firebox, graphite (Floquil 110119), the bell and whistle gold (Floquil 110103), and the bell hanger black (Floquil 110010). The cab has interior detailing so I painted mine with Floquil Weyerhaeuser Green (110036); paint the valve handles red and the gauge faces white. Spray the tender and locomotive superstructures with a coat of Floquil Gloss to provide a glossy surface for decaling.

Some variation exists in the descriptions of the striping and lettering detail presented by the different authors in their Frisco



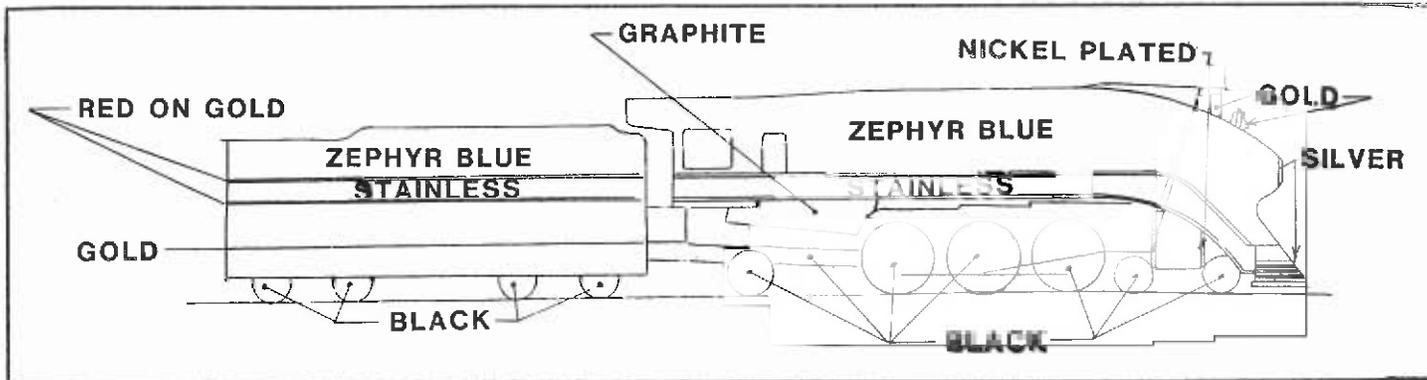
1026 Springfield, MO May 20, 1938
Frisco company photo

books. This detail also varied over time, and I believe the description presented here to be correct. The stainless steel band is bordered, top and bottom, by a 4" bronze gold stripe with a 2" red stripe centered within the gold. This is difficult to spot in most photographs. However, if you will look closely at the front end photo on this page, you will note that it clearly shows both colors. The 2" stripe along the top of the tender skirt is gold. This scheme of detailing seemed to be constant through out the engine's history, however there were other details that were variable. These include headlight trim, pilot, and engine lettering.

As rebuilt the horizontal bars on the pilot were nickel plated (silver), but later pictures show the bars to be painted Zephyr Blue. The trim around the headlight also underwent similar changes, although it seems that the trim would go from blue to silver and then back to blue again. As rebuilt, the lettering along the sides was raised, but this style

was eliminated in favor of painted lettering.

Joe Collias has produced decals for engine and tender sides, however the rest of the lettering and striping must be obtained from various sets. (See materials list) Start with 4" gold stripes and decal border along the stainless band. I used a sharp X-acto knife to trim as close to the stripe as possible. Feather the decal where the stripe curves; this helps the straight decal follow the curve on the locomotive skirt. Work carefully and use lots of setting solution, and there should be little problem with the striping. Place a 2" gold stripe along the top of the tender skirt. Once the gold striping is in place and dry, center the 2" red stripe over the 4" gold stripe. Apply the 2" gold stripes on the tender skirts. Use a photograph to get the correct position of the stripe, since the stripe is not located at the top of the skirt.



The rest of the decaling is rather straight forward. Using Collias's decals, letter the sides of the locomotive and tender. A.T.& S.F. or S.P. decals may be used for the tender capacity data, which is located on the back of the tender below the back-up light. I had difficulty finding the correct-sized pilot numerals; Model Graphics make numerals which are the correct size, but they are dry transfers, and are nearly impossible to apply to the curved surface below the nose. This can be overcome by applying the dry transfer lettering to a sheet of blank decal film; I used some scrap film from other sets. I then applied the numerals as I would any wet decal.

Once decaling is complete, spray the entire model with Testor's Dul-Cote or Floquil Flat Finish. Remove paint from the frame where it contacts the wheel bearings, lightly lubricate the mechanism, test and adjust mechanism to your satisfaction, reassemble the model, and touch up any areas damaged by the assembly process. Add MV lenses to the headlight and back-up light, place clear jewels in the classification lamps, glaze windows with glass microscope slide covers, place a crew in the cab, and put a touch of silver or gray on the glad hands. Lightly weather the engine, but don't go overboard; after all it is a model of a Frisco passenger locomotive.

Your engine is now ready for revenue service, and it need not be limited to pulling trains #117 & #118, since these engines saw duty elsewhere on the Frisco. "Frisco Southwest" shows one at Enid, OK, Beebe has a photograph of the 1026 doubling with a 1500 on the Bluebonnet at Osage Hills, MO, and David P. Morgan, the late

former editor of TRAINS, reported that his troop train was pulled by the 1026 between Monett, MO and Sherman, TX.

EDITOR'S NOTE: According to our records, the Firefly locomotives

were retired from revenue service, as follows:

1018May 22, 1950
 1026.....May 31, 1949
 1031.....October 14, 1949

PARTS & MATERIALS

MFG	CAT. #	NAME	COLOR	PURPOSE
CALSCALE	190-240	CCAIRPUMP		
CHAMP	EH-12	SPSTEAM	SILVER	TENDERCAPYDATA
CHAMP*			BLACK	
COLLIAS			BLACK	
METALIZER	704-1402	STAINLESSSTEEL	STAINLESSSTEEL	
MICROSCALE	RH-124-3	"1" & 2" STRIPES"	GOLD	TENDERSKIRT
MICROSCALE	87-214-3	"4" & 6" STRIPES"	GOLD	TRIMSTAINLESSBAND
MICROSCALE	87-124-5	"1" & 2" STRIPES"	RED	TRIMSTAINLESSBAND
MODELGRAPHICS	NONE	ASSORTEDLETTERING	SILVER	PILOTNUMERALS
MV	L29	BACK-UPLIGHTLENS		
MV	L166	HEADLIGHTLENS		
ORIENTAL	541J131	DELTA TRAILER		
PIA	063-45	DELTA TRAILER		
PIA	063-22	"8-1/2" CC AIR PUMP"		
PRECISION	585-30922	"8-1/2" CC AIR PUMP"		
PRECISION	585-31528	WALSCHAERTVG		
PRECISION	585-31556	DELTA TRAILER		
PRECISION	585-31541	COMMONWEALTHTRK		

THE Firefly

NEW FRISCO SPEEDTRAIN



THE MAIL CAR



The MAIL CAR is a regular feature of the ALL ABOARD in which we attempt to answer some of the many questions that are mailed to our RESEARCH SERVICE.

If you have a question about the equipment, facilities, or operation of the Frisco, please send them to the RESEARCH SERVICE. All requests are answered individually and selected questions will appear in the MAIL CAR feature.

QUESTION: Did Frisco passenger cars ever have a company name other than "FRISCO" on the name board above the windows?

ANSWER: Yes! According to our records, an 1898 photo showing Spanish-American War soldiers preparing to load a Frisco train at the old Grand Central Station at 2nd and Grand in Kansas City, MO, shows a combination Coach-Baggage #D65 (later changed to #165) and a Second-Class Coach (number not visible) both with "ST. LOUIS & SAN FRANCISCO" on the name board above the windows.

Car #D65 was one of a series of twelve Coach Baggage Combination units (D60-D71) built between 1887 and 1897. In 1903, the series was renumbered 160-171. Our files do not indicate when the "FRISCO" name became standard, although 1903 might be a good guess considering that all passenger equipment on the roster at that time underwent a major standardization program.

EDITOR'S NOTE: While not a true Frisco car, a photo of C. & E.I. Diner #476 appears on page 249 of Arthur Dubin's "MORE CLASSIC TRAINS," with "FRISCO SYSTEM" on the name board above the windows. ☐



LOOKING BACKWARD is a monthly feature of the ALL ABOARD that takes a look back through our files at the people and events that were a part of the Frisco 25, 50, and 75 years ago.

25 YEARS - 1965

In 1965, Tige Berst, Traveling Storekeeper for the Frisco, retired after thirty-six years service. As a fifteen-year-old water boy working for the Arnold Construction Co. in 1908, Mr. Berst was the first person to blow the newly-installed whistle on the new Power House at the West Frisco Shops in Springfield, MO. (see MUSEUM ACQUISITIONS feature)

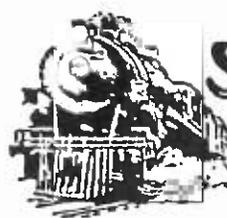
50 YEARS - 1940

In 1940, the following lines were abandoned by the Frisco:

Bentonville, AR to Grove, OK, Caruthersville to Grassy Bayou, MO, East Wilson to Stoffles Landing, AR, and Armoret to Barfield, AR.

75 YEARS - 1915

In 1915, Buffet-Lounge Cars Nos. 1701 to 1704 were assigned to Fred Harvey Food Service on trains 805 "The Memphis Express" and 806, "The St. Louis Express," operating between St. Louis, MO and Memphis, TN on the River-Cape Division. ☐



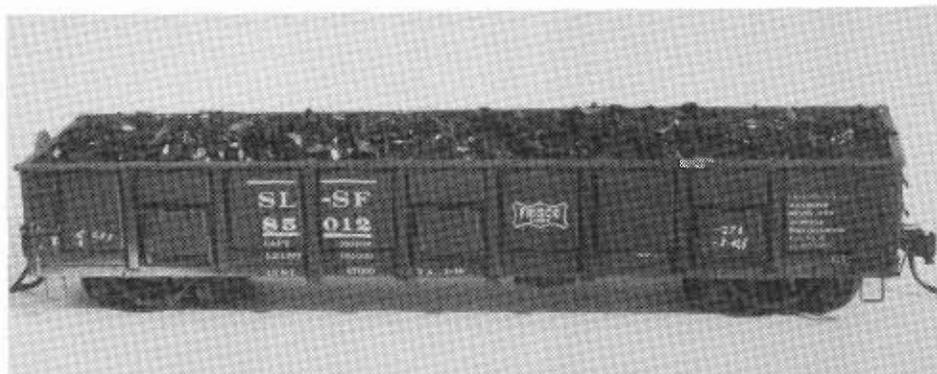
SUNSHINE MODELS

The Frisco's unique series of steel panel-side rebuilds of 40' USRA gondolas is Sunshine Model's latest release. Kit #12.1 comes with side discharge doors. Kit #12.2 comes without side doors. Both kits come with zinc ore from Missouri and Bituminous coal loads.

The Frisco rebuilt these cars into their 85000 series in the Yale Yards, Memphis, TN from the mid to late 1930's. Since the road's allotment of USRA gondolas had solid floors, side dump doors were added to about half of the cars during rebuilding. The Frisco assigned the cars to coal, as well as zinc and lead ore service in the Midwest through the 1940's. They lasted in general use until the 1960's when they went to company service.

The kits consist of unpainted urethane body castings, detailing parts and specialized decals. The cars are available direct from Sunshine Models, P.O. Box 3054, Salinas, CA, 93912 for \$24.00. Andrews trucks are available with the kits. Cast metal trucks for \$5.00 and sprung plastic trucks for \$3.50. Add \$2.00 shipping for each five kits and California residents 6 3/4% sales tax.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Congratulations to Frisco Folk Martin Lofton, Sunshine Models, for publishing a concise and informative article on the Frisco's rebuilt USRA gondolas in the October, 1990, issue of RAILROAD MODEL CRAFTSMAN. ☐



DOWN AT THE DEPOT

Mingo, MO

Between 1880 and 1889, the St. Louis, Cape Girardeau, & Ft. Smith Railway Co. completed a line from Cape Girardeau to Hunter, MO, a distance of ninety-four miles. In 1899, the line was sold to the Southern Missouri and Arkansas Railroad Co. On July 19, 1907, the line officially became the property of the Frisco.

In 1901, the Southern Missouri and Arkansas Co. built a depot at Mingo, MO, that has the distinction, according to our records, of being the only one of its kind on the Frisco system. Station No. TA 178, junction point of the Hunter Branch on the Hoxie Sub-Division of the River Division, was a 52'4" x 16'8" log cabin depot.

The cypress log frame was set on stone piers and had a shingle covered 1/3 pitch gable roof. The interior of the station was originally divided into a waiting room on the northeast end, living quarters in the southwest portion, divided by a bed room-office combination in the middle. Our records indicate that the living quarters may have later been converted to a freight and baggage room, and the original center bed room made into a smaller apartment. The interior was finished with 7/8" x 3 1/4" M & B, the ceilings were 9'11", and heat was provided by wood/coal fireplace on the waiting room side.

Aside from its unique construction, another interesting note about the Mingo Station is that the first three resident agents of record were women, as follows:

- 1908.....Mrs. J.A. Babb
- 1910.....Mrs. L.M. Withington
- 1913.....Mrs. R. Munford

In October, 1913, Mr. H.C. Wiley was appointed agent and while it is not known for sure, one might wonder if the folks in the photo could be Mr. Wiley and his family.



Mingo, MO circa. 1913 Kevin Johnson collection

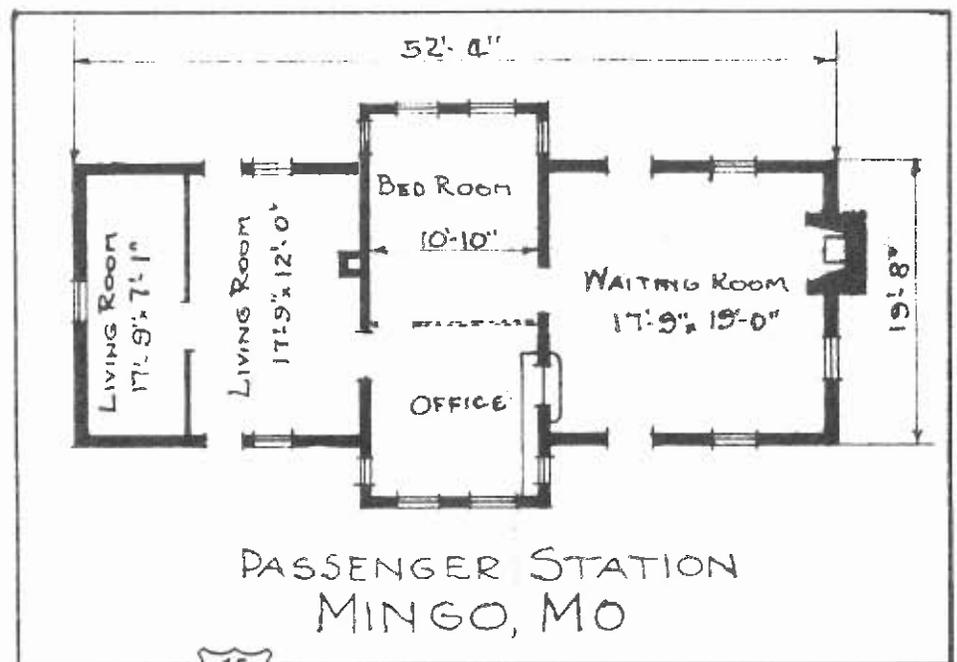
In 1910, passenger service to Mingo was provided by a daily through train, Nos. 805-806 & 815-816 between St. Louis, MO and Hoxie, AR, daily service between St. Louis and Poplar Bluff, MO on trains 801-802 and 813-814, and mixed service daily except Sunday between Puxico, MO and Pochahontas, AR, trains 895 and 890. Mixed daily service was provided between Puxico and Hunter, MO for connections with the Willow Springs Branch of the Southern Division into Springfield, MO. In 1917, Motor Car service was provided between Cape Girardeau and Poplar Bluff, MO.

In 1920, service was limited to one daily through train from Cape Girardeau to Hoxie, Nos. 875-876. In 1930, the Cape Girardeau to Hoxie line was serviced exclusively by Motor Car service,

as train Nos. 875-876 daily. By 1940, Motor Car service on 875-876 had been replaced by a mixed train daily except Sunday and service between Cape Girardeau and Poplar Bluff was provided by Frisco Trailways Bus Service. Mixed service continued until the fall of 1957 when the Cape Girardeau to Hoxie, via Mingo, passenger trains were discontinued.

Outliving its usefulness, the Mingo depot was replaced with a small shelter type station in the late 1940's.

EDITOR'S NOTE: It is interesting to note that at one time, there were two Mingos on the Frisco System: Mingo, MO and Mingo (I.T.) OK, station G416 on the (1904) Oklahoma District, Southern Division. In 1905, the latter Mingo listing was removed from company Station Lists. ☐



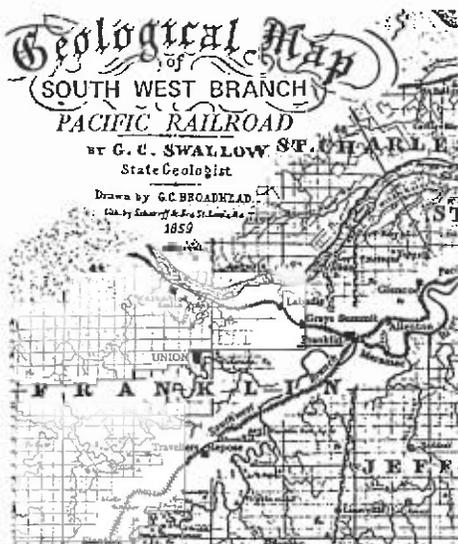
COLLECTING THE FRISCO

If one accepts the idea that as long as there have been railroads, there have been railroad collectors, then collecting Frisco memorabilia can be traced back to 1876 for sure, and possibly as far back as 1852. On July 23, 1852, the first division of the Pacific Railroad Co. was completed from St. Louis, west, to Franklin, now



Pacific MO. The Pacific line was the early predecessor of both the Missouri Pacific Railroad and the St. Louis & San Francisco Railway Co., better known as the FRISCO. The Pacific Railroad was the line on which the first locomotive operated west of the Mississippi River. The Pacific No. 3 made her maiden voyage into the Missouri interior on December 1, 1852.

On July 19, 1853, construction on the South West Branch of the



Pacific Line was started, leaving the main route at Franklin and extending southwest to Springfield. In 1866, the South West Branch was sold and renamed the Southwest Pacific Railroad Co. Two years later, the company again changed hands and became the South Pacific Railroad



Co. In October of 1870, the South Pacific Co. merged with the Atlantic & Pacific Railroad Co. and assumed the name of the latter. On September 7, 1876, the



St. Louis & San Francisco Railway Co. was incorporated under the laws of Missouri and took control of the Atlantic & Pacific line.



Through its years of growth and development, the Frisco played a major role in the growth and development of the nine states it operated in and has become a major source of interests for railroad collectors throughout the country.



On November 21, 1980, the Frisco was merged into the Burlington Northern Railroad Co. and has since become an intricate part of its 29,000 mile system. While the merger was viewed by

management as a positive economic development, it has over the past ten years slowly faded out the existence of the Frisco. In the process, there has developed an increased interest in collecting Frisco memorabilia and a marked increase in the value of Frisco collectibles. One factor that determines the value of a railroad relic is whether or not the line is still in existence.

The Frisco had become yet another chapter in the annals of railroading history. However, through the diligence, determination, and dedication of Frisco collectors there will always remain alive the 1980 slogan:



FRISCO...

Gone, But Not Forgotten



This is the first in a regular series of ALL ABOARD articles that will be devoted to COLLECTING THE FRISCO, and is being presented with two basic purposes in mind: One is entertainment and the other is information. The railroads have influenced all our lives and very few families have not had someone employed by the railroads. Because many of our members are former Frisco employees, members of Frisco families, and/or just Frisco fans, it seems appropriate that a regular feature of the ALL ABOARD should be offered to serve as a nostalgic look back in time and to provide a source of entertainment both for the sake of curiosity and for the joy of reminiscing.

Because there is such a growing interest in collecting railroad memorabilia and because many of our members are Frisco collectors, COLLECTING THE FRISCO will also serve as an information resource.

Generally speaking, there are three types of railroad collectors. First, there is the occasionalist, the collector who really doesn't consider himself to be a collector.

He or she will, on occasion, purchase a railroad relic simply because it looks neat, fits the decor of a room, or has some practical use. For instance, many of these individuals have fine collections of railroad china, not because of its historical or nostalgic value, but because of its practical use as every-day dishes. Even though the serious collector will sometimes go into temporary cardiac arrest when he discovers railroad china being used as every-day tableware, for the occasionalist, such use is acceptable.

Those who fall into the category of serious collectors can be divided into two groups: The generalist and the specialist. The generalist is the collector whose collecting interests are of a general nature. He or she is interested in collecting any type of item from any railroad line. He likes books, breast badges, and brotherhood items; lamps, lanterns, and locks; telephones, tickets, and timetables; all from the B&O, the B&M, and the BN; from the M&O, the M.P., and the MK&T; from the SCL, the S.P., and the St.L.& S.F., etc. Most serious collectors start out as generalists. They can usually find items easier to locate because they are not limited in their collecting interest. There are over forty five different categories of railroad collectibles available from an estimated 245 different railroad lines.

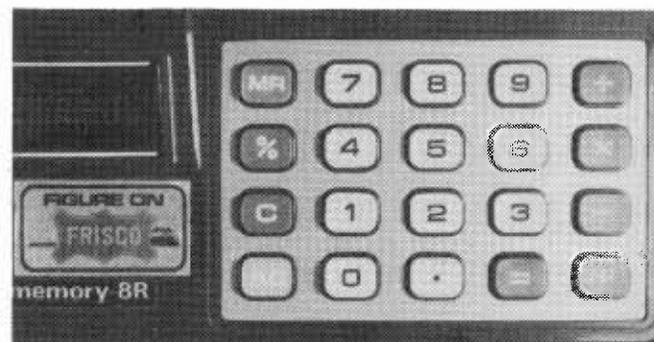
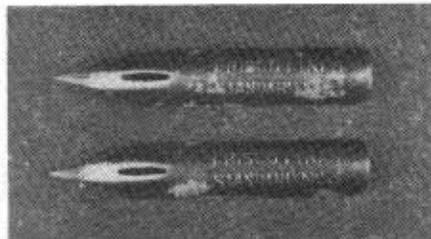
The specialist is the serious collector who concentrates on a few specific items or one, or a few, specific railroad lines. Many specialists collect only one type of item such as date nails, keys, lanterns, passes, timetables, etc., and many collect from only one railroad.

Our new feature on COLLECTING THE FRISCO should serve as a source of information for all categories of collectors because it is aimed at a combination of interests. It will describe many different items, of interest to the generalist, that all come from one particular railroad, of interest to the specialist, many of which look neat, can fit into the decor of a room, or serve a practical use, of interest to the occasionalist!

When it comes to the actual collecting of railroad relics, regardless of one's collecting interests, there are four basic questions, the answers to which can serve as an excellent guide in your quest for railroad Americana.

What types of items are available?

The most accurate answer to this question is, "You name it!" As mentioned earlier, there are over forty-five different categories of railroad collectibles available from an estimated 245 different railroad lines. There is no end to the variety of collectible items that have been used by the railroads, including the Frisco. Over 2,000 different items, from thirty-five categories, are being used in the research for this feature. Everything from fountain pen tips



to calculators carries the Frisco name or company logo.

Where do you find railroad collectibles?

The answer to this one is, "Anywhere and Everywhere!" There are not always a lot of items available from a particular railroad, but there is always an abundance of places to look for them. Many collectors find the looking for items as enjoyable and fascinating as collecting and displaying the ones they find.

There is no one source for any type of railroad relic. Many items can be purchased at garage sales, flea markets, and antique shops. The retired railroad employee is a good source for many items he or she may have accumulated during their working years. If such mementos were not disposed of during the employee's lifetime, an estate sale can often offer a bonanza of collectibles. Many railroad items are being sold by mail-order dealers. Their ads can usually be found in the various railroad magazines such as TRAINS and RAILFAN. These magazines also contain classified sections that list items for sale or trade from many private collectors. Most serious collectors always have some trading stock. Many antique shows will offer the rail collector the opportunity to search for an item of interest, and at selected locations across the country there are annual railroad collector shows, surely the next best thing to heaven for the railroad collector. The railroads themselves will often have public sales to eliminate out-dated or surplus stocks of items and many railroad museums offer a variety of collectibles for sale. It

usually doesn't take the serious collector long to identify those sources that will afford him or her the abundance and quality of items they are looking for.

EDITOR'S NOTE: In our next issue of COLLECTING THE FRISCO, we will discuss, "How can you be sure what you are getting is authentic?" and "What is a fair price to pay?"



Doodlebugging On The Frisco

Fayetteville, AR to Muskogee, OK

According to our records, the final disposition of the cars in this series were as follows:

2122: Retired May, 1952 and dismantled at the Springfield, MO West Shops on November 28, 1952.

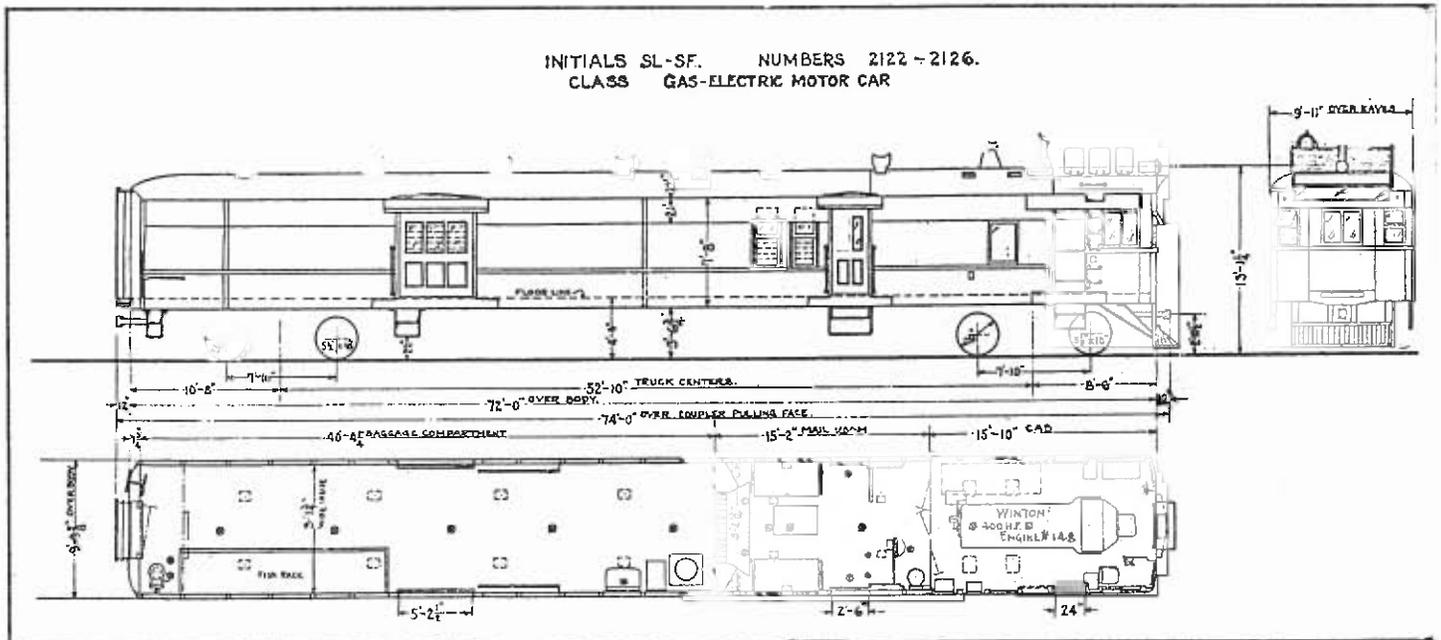
2123: Retired and dismantled at the Springfield Shops on August 20, 1945.

2124: Early in 1933, No. 2124 was destroyed in a fire at the

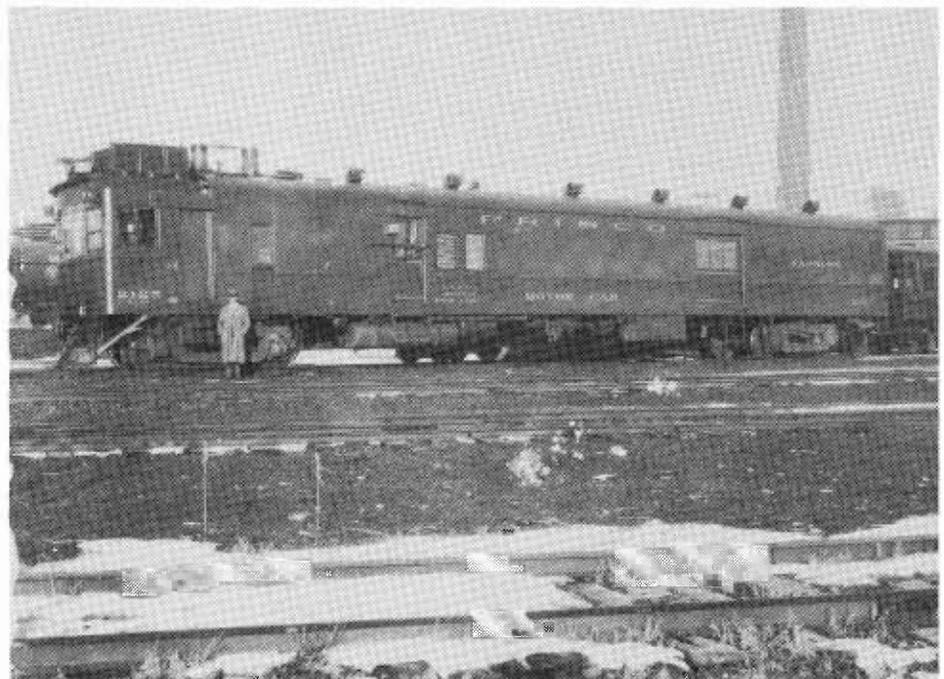
On May 15, 1928, \$6,000,000.00 in equipment trust certificates, Series CC, were issued for the Frisco by the Guaranty Trust Co. of New York to fund, in part, the purchase of five new 400 h.p. Gas-Electric Motor Cars. In November of that same year, Nos. 2122-2126 arrived on Frisco property.

following lines:

Wichita to Ellsworth, KS
 Tulsa to Sapulpa, OK
 Tulsa to Holdenville, OK
 Kennett to Caruthersville, MO
 Enid to Avard, OK
 Enid, OK to Vernon, TX
 Cuba to Salem, MO
 Cape Girardeau to Nash, MO

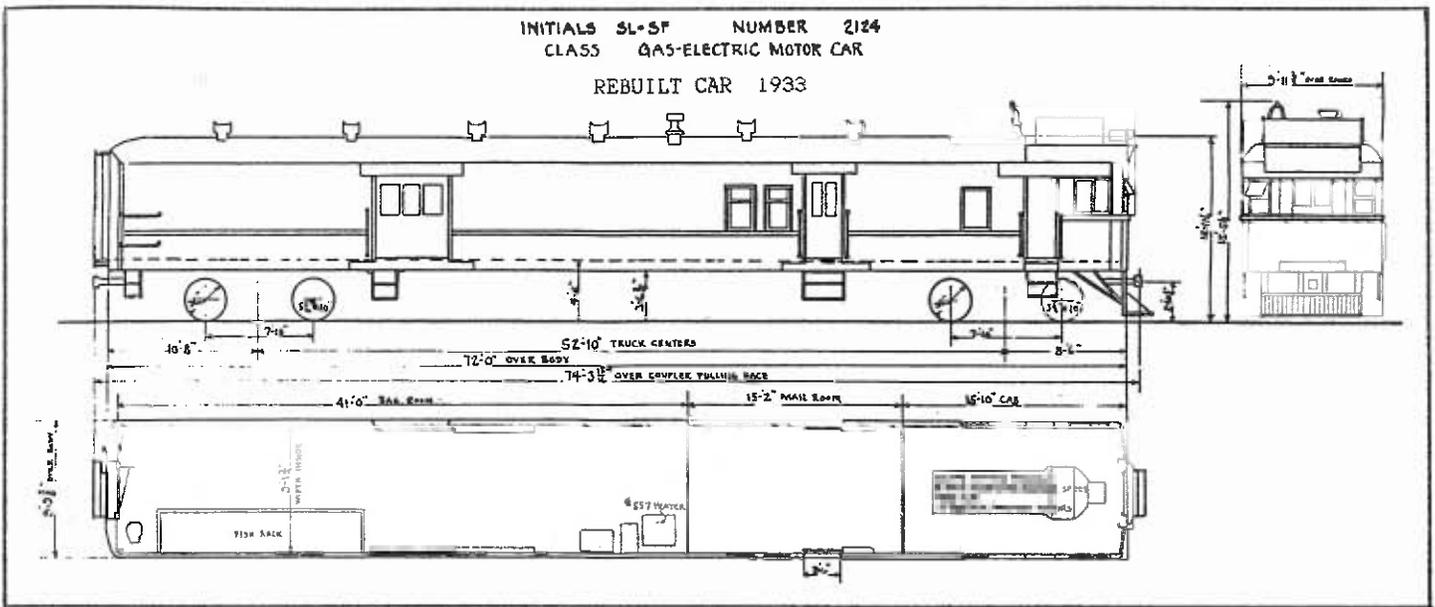


The cars were all 72' Mail-Baggage combinations. Their all steel body was manufactured by The St. Louis Car. Co. and the 400 H.P. Winton engine, #148, and running gear were provided by Electro Motive Co. The interior finish of the cars was corrugated steel with yellow pine floors. The baggage compartment was 40'4 1/4" long and the mail room was 15'2". Like their 1925 EMC-built sister cars (Nos. 2120-2121), the 2122-2126 cars all featured roofs that were constructed using steel frames, wood decking, covered with canvas roofing. All the units in the series were fitted with a rear diaphragm for use with a trailer unit. NOTE: Photo of 2125 with trailer #81.



Frisco Motor Car #2125 St. Louis, MO January, 1929
 Frisco company photo

INITIALS SL-SF NUMBER 2124
 CLASS QAS-ELECTRIC MOTOR CAR
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Oklahoma City, OK, roundhouse. Because the car was part of the lein on the debt retirement of equipment trust certificates, it could not simply be scrapped and removed from the roster. Consequently, a replacement car was built by the West Springfield Shops and placed in service as the

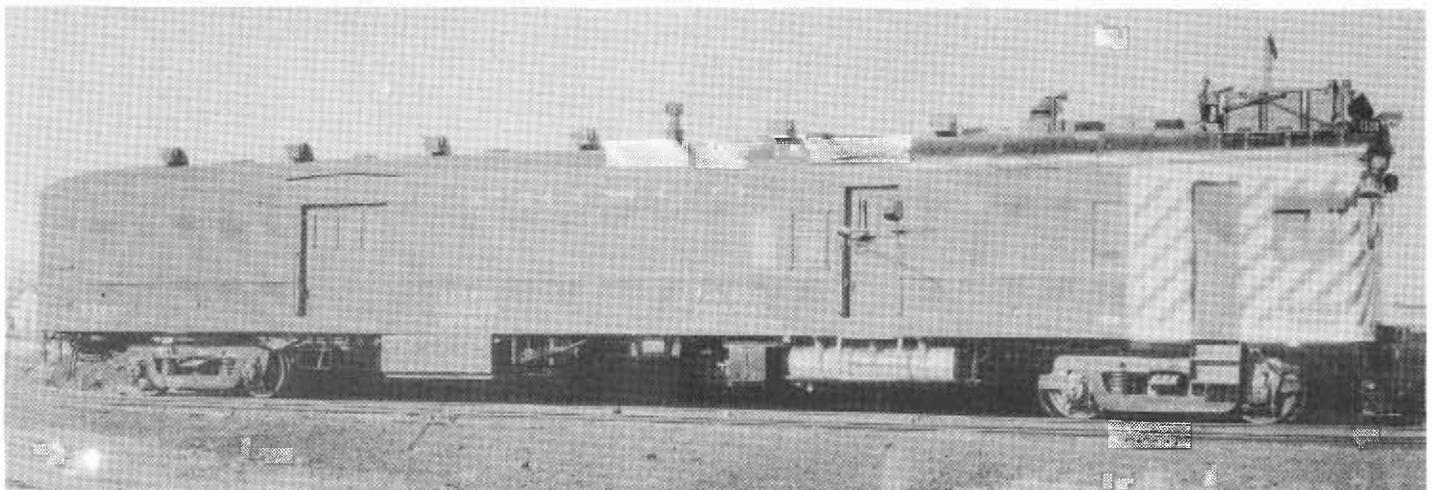
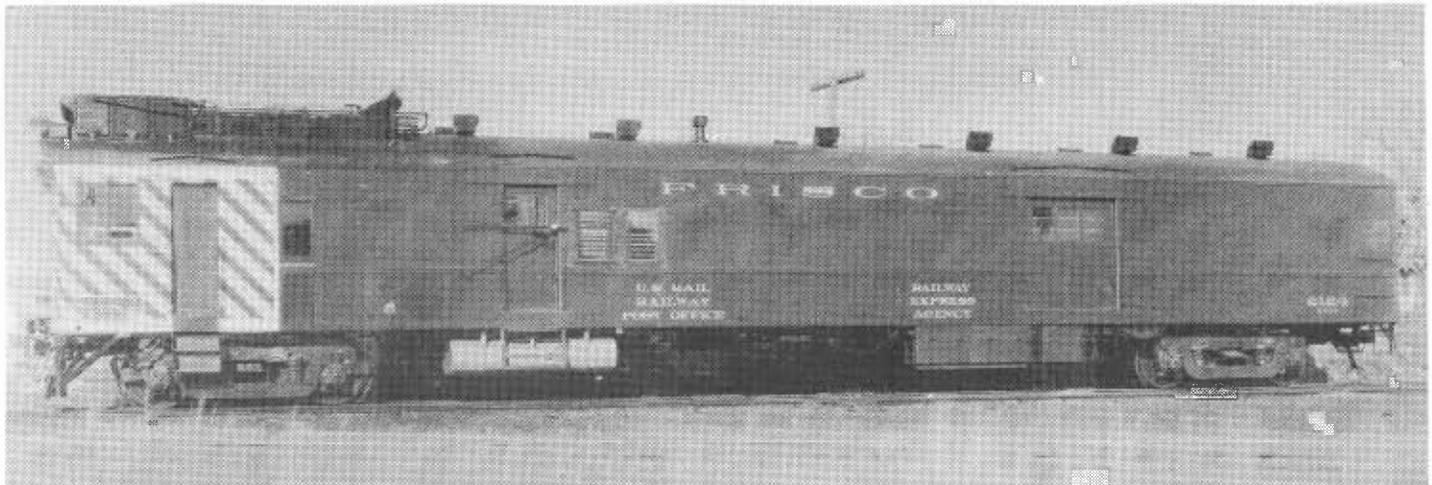
new #2124 on November 27, 1933. On May 10, 1952, this car was sold to the Cassville & Exeter Railroad, a southwest Missouri short-line.

2125: Retired in May, 1952, and dismantled at the Springfield Shops November 28, 1952.

2126: Retired in December, 1952, and dismantled at the Springfield Shops April 30, 1952. ☐



Rebuilt Frisco Motor Car #2124
 Springfield, MO November 25, 1933
 Frisco company photos



Frisco Folks



The Museum is pleased to acknowledge the following membership renewals in the FRISCO FOLKS:

Raymond Wells Jr.....Brakeman Missouri
 John F. Jones.....Brakeman Missouri
 Emil Eskengren.....Switchman Missouri
 John Sanders.....Switchman Missouri
 James Sanders.....Switchman Alabama
 Rodney Zona.....Switchman Michigan
 Karl Brand.....Switchman Texas
 James Elliott.....Switchman Missouri
 Mary Gregg.....Switchman Missouri
 Ed Heiss.....Switchman Missouri
 Clifford Johnson.....Switchman Louisiana
 Jim Quarles.....Switchman Kansas
 James Horn.....Switchman Michigan
 Robert Barling.....Switchman Arizona
 John Mann.....Switchman Ohio
 A. Orman Fisher.....Switchman Missouri
 David Gaines.....Switchman Alabama
 Raymond Millemann....Switchman Tennessee
 Arthur Lindeman.....Switchman Missouri
 Jan Edward Jester....Switchman Kansas
 Jim Martin.....Switchman Missouri
 Doug Moellering.....Switchman Texas
 John Lucey.....Switchman California
 Frederick Clem.....Switchman Wisconsin
 Mike Cook.....Switchman Texas
 Curt Ayers.....Switchman California
 Nicholas Smith.....Switchman Kansas

Jim Spillars.....Switchman Arkansas
 Bonnie Trail.....Switchman Missouri
 John Northcutt.....Switchman Ohio
 Michael Hunter.....Switchman Pennsylvania

The Museum is pleased to welcome the following new members to the FRISCO FOLKS:

Richard Holt.....Fireman Kansas
 Paul Cole.....Fireman Missouri
 J. Laird Woldridge....Brakeman Illinois
 Steve & Patty Thiel...Brakeman Missouri
 Louis Mulkins.....Switchman Oklahoma
 Eric Wayne Arrant....Switchman Mississippi
 William Pennington...Switchman Missouri
 Louis Griesemer.....Switchman Missouri
 Robert Petrus.....Switchman Kansas
 James Coonrod.....Switchman Missouri
 Pat Pipkin Farmer....Switchman Connecticut
 Christopher Bowles...Switchman North Carolina
 Jim Sanders Jr.....Switchman Alabama

MUSEUM DISPATCH

Approximately 630 sq. ft. of space in our new building has been remodeled into a new office, research center, photo lab, dark room, and "print shop." We are excited about the new facilities because they will serve to provide more efficient and timely processing and distribution of museum resources and membership services.



With the completion of our new office facilities, space is now available to accommodate a wide-range of volunteer work, including indexing, filing, research, typing, cleaning, painting, etc., etc.! If you can share your time and talents please contact the museum office at 417-672-3110 or 417-672-3032. WE NEED YOUR HELP!

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