

 **Lionel Smithsonian Collection**

This update on the progress of our Lionel Smithsonian Collection Dreyfuss Hudson shows the locomotive and tender, as they will be shipped next month. Earlier, I told you we had made 140 improvements after inspecting the prototype. Well, in our quest for scale perfection, we finally ended up making more than 160 modifications.

Within a few weeks, customers will be sent an invoice for the balance due. We will ship the Dreyfuss Hudson, along with the display case, operating display base and signed, numbered poster, about 30 days after we receive payment.

(By the way, most of the limited edition of 500 is spoken for as of this writing, so if you know someone who has been procrastinating, tell him or her to order now by calling 800-628-6202.)

Next week, Richard P. Kughn, owner and chairman of Lionel Trains, will autograph the first 500 copies of the specially commissioned poster commemorating this first edition of the Lionel Smithsonian Collection. The poster is rich-looking, a real beauty; I have enclosed a photograph.


Each Dreyfuss owner will receive the poster whose number matches that of his or her loco-

motive. As I believe everyone understands, those locomotive numbers have all been randomly assigned by computer at the time orders were placed.

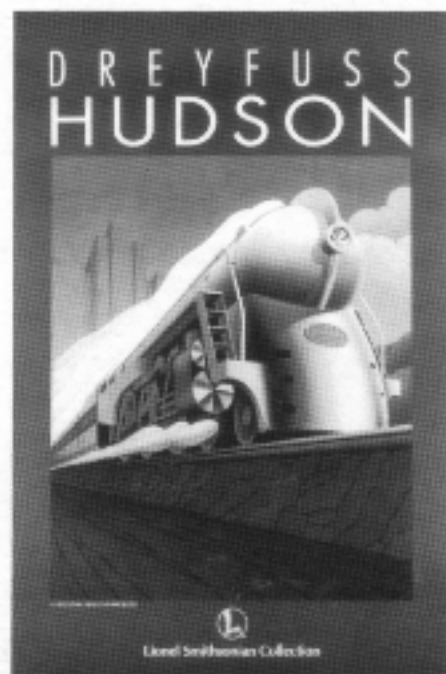
Also in this update is the first detailed description and a photograph of the Twentieth Century Limited passenger cars we will offer as the prototypically correct companion pieces to the Dreyfuss Hudson. Dreyfuss owners will have an opportunity, for a period of time, to lay claim to their matching serial number in the passenger cars.

More details about the passenger cars and upcoming plans for the Lionel Smithsonian Collection will follow in future updates.

Sincerely,



Nicholas J. DeGrazia
President



UPDATE TWO

On June 15, 1938, both the New York Central and Pennsylvania Railroads inaugurated completely re-equipped, streamlined Twentieth Century and Broadway Limited consists. The Twentieth Century Limited was supported with four new train sets.

The New York Central assigned 10 new streamlined J-3a class 4-6-4 Hudson steam locomotives to service on the Century. The 1938 streamlined Twentieth Century Limited was designed through the combined efforts of the New York industrial designer Henry Dreyfuss, and the New York Central's engineering department. The exterior color scheme was light gray, edged in blue, and set off with two silver stripes. The interior was rust, blue, tan and gray, highlighted by woods, metals and leathers.

The Lionel Smithsonian Collection will reproduce all 13 cars of the Twentieth Century Limited in both eastbound and westbound consists. These cars will be exact scale models of the actual Pullman-built cars as the original Pullman drawings and plan books have been used to design these models. The cars will be offered in two sets of four, with five individual optional cars to follow. The first set of four

will be available beginning in early December 1992 with the second set due in March 1993. The optional five cars will be available in March 1993 on a built-to-order basis.

There will be 500 sets produced and these will be offered to Lionel Smithsonian Dreyfuss Hudson owners with a matching Dreyfuss serial number on each car. Should a Dreyfuss owner decline the option, their set will be offered to the o-scale market at large.

Odd-numbered serial numbers will get the westbound consist and even-numbered serial numbers will get the eastbound consist. As an individual car is completed in a set of four, it will be shipped to a customer immediately and the customer will be billed only for that car. This will spread the cost of the set over several months.

We are confident that these passenger cars will be the finest ever produced in o-scale, in large part due to the completeness of the Pullman plans and photographs we have at our disposal. This reference material includes actual paint samples, which eliminate otherwise subjective design input. Coupled to the Lionel Smithsonian Dreyfuss, this Twentieth

Century Limited will be the most sought-after Lionel product ever produced and, quite frankly, one of the finest train models ever created.

Following are the specifications for these "scale" passenger cars.

TRUCKS

1. Roller bearing equipped.
2. Complete working springing.
3. Complete brake system.
4. Prototypic wheel tread profile.

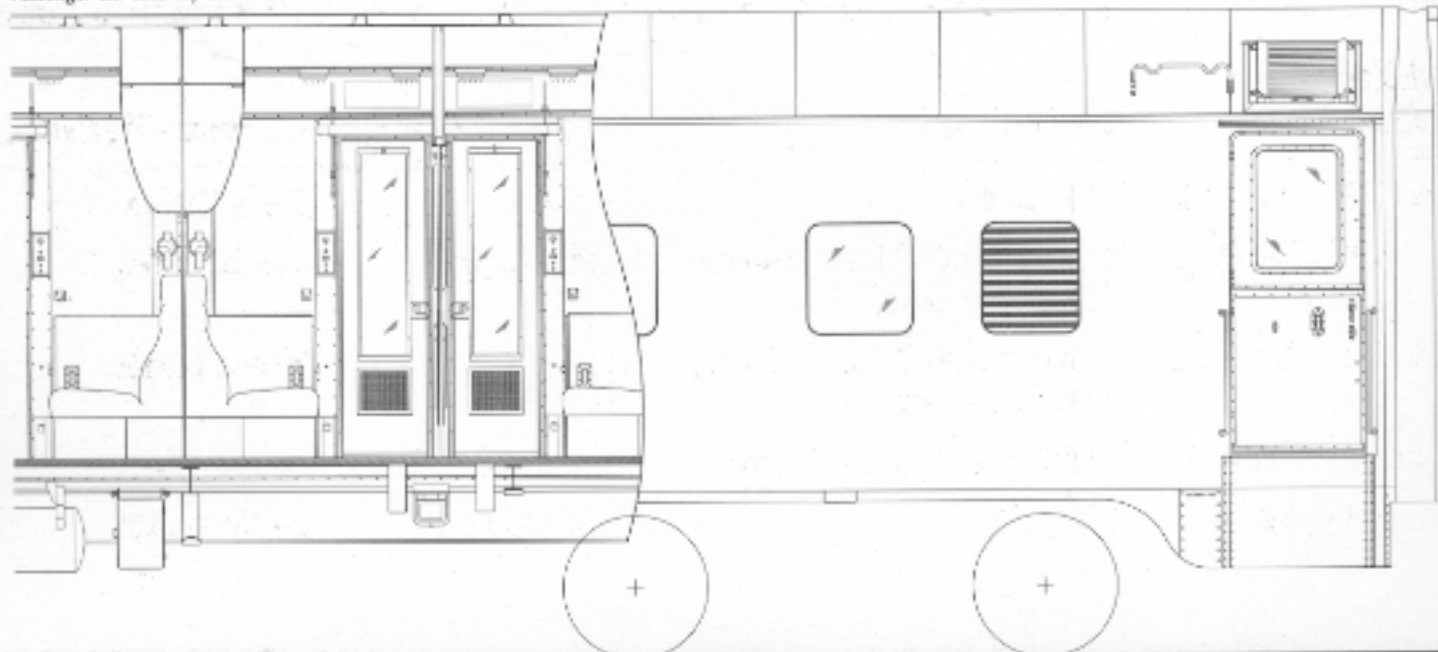
UNDERBODY

1. Complete framing including side frame, beams, stringers, center sill, and bolsters.
2. Correctly detailed and located underbody equipment - no randomly placed "boxes."
3. Prototypically complete piping.
4. Scale tight-lock couplers.

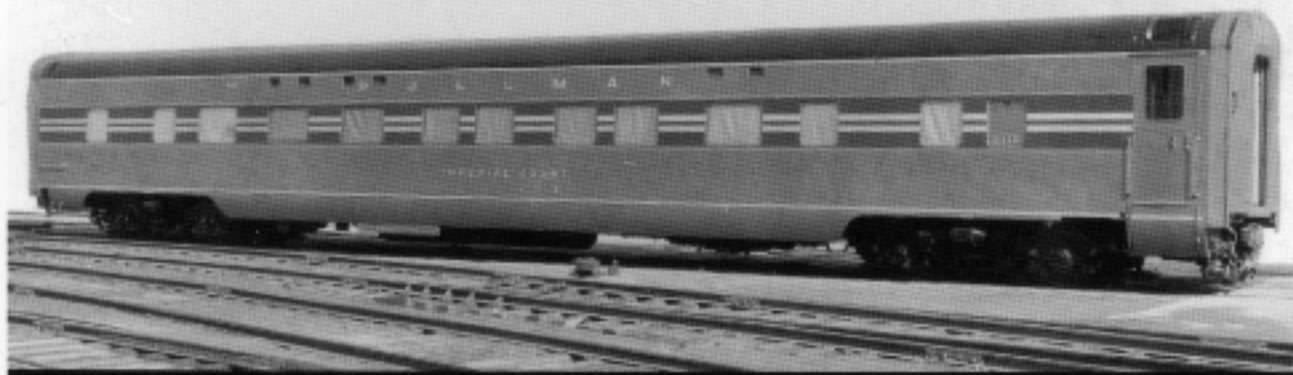
BODY/ROOF/ENDS/INTERIORS

1. Removable roof.
2. Operating exterior doors.
3. Accurate rivet detail.
4. Properly shaped grabirons, ladder rests, louvers and ventilations.
5. Prototypically hinged full width diaphragm faceplate with all support appliances.
6. Illuminated interiors.

Passenger car cutaway shown actual size

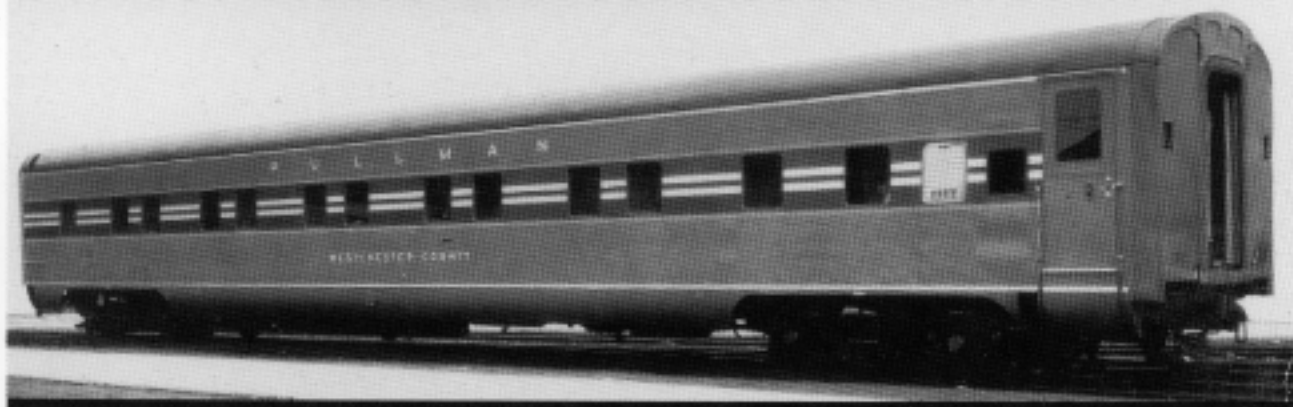


SET ONE



IMPERIAL

- 4 Compartments,
- 2 Drawing Rooms,
- 4 Double Bedrooms



COUNTY

- 13 Double Bedrooms



CASCADE

- 10 Roomettes,
- 5 Double Bedrooms



CITY

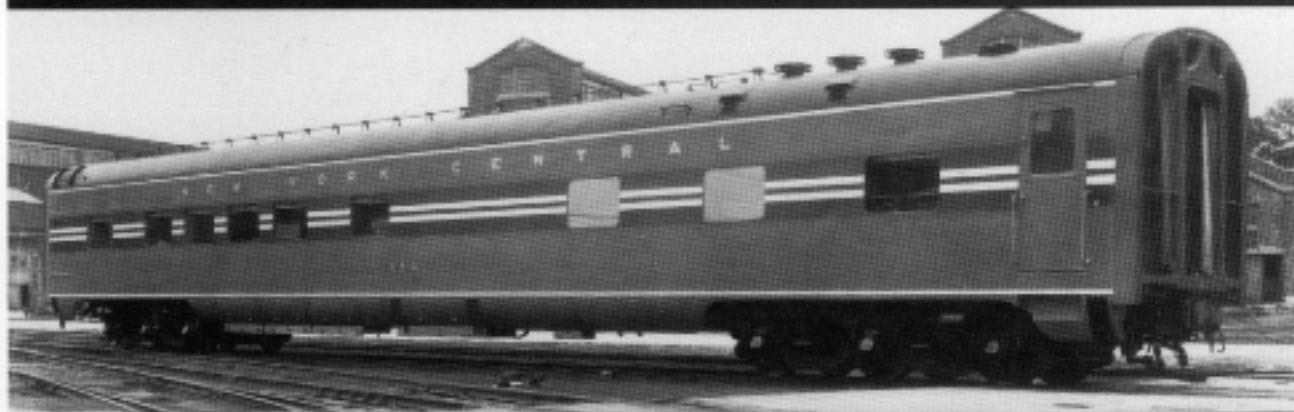
- 17 Roomettes

SET TWO



ISLAND

- | Master Room,
- | Double Bedroom, Buffet, Lounge, Observation



CAR #680

Dining Car



CAR #5017

Baggage,
Railway
Post Office



CENTURY

Dormitory,
Barber Shop,
Buffet,
Lounge

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Twentieth Century Limited Passenger Car Offering

			EVEN SERIAL NUMBERS	ODD SERIAL NUMBERS
Set 1				
Pullman Design	Car Configuration		Car Name - Eastbound	Car Name - Westbound
Lot 6540	Plan 4069B	4 Compartments, 2 Drawing Rooms, 4 Double Bedrooms	Imperial Castle	Imperial Falls
Lot 6541	Plan 4071A	13 Double Bedrooms	Niagara County	Westchester County
Lot 6542	Plan 4072A	10 Roomettes, 5 Double Bedrooms	Cascade Glory	Cascade Grotto
Lot 6539	Plan 4068E	17 Roomettes	City of Detroit	City of Indianapolis

Set 2				
Pullman Design	Car Configuration		Car Name - Eastbound	Car Name - Westbound
Lot 6547	Plan 4079	1 Master Room, 1 Double Bedroom, Buffet, Lounge, Observation	Manhattan Island	Thousand Islands
Lot 6544	Plan 7405	Dining Car	Car Number 680	Car Number 684
Lot 6545	Plan 7406	Baggage, Railway Post Office	Car Number 5017	Car Number 5020
Lot 6546	Plan 4076	Dormitory, Barber Shop, Buffet, Lounge	Century Club	Century Tavern

Additional Cars				
Pullman Design	Car Configuration		Car Name - Eastbound	Car Name - Westbound
Lot 6539	Plan 4068E	17 Roomettes	City of Toledo	City of Chicago
Lot 6540	Plan 4069B	4 Compartments, 2 Drawing Rooms, 4 Double Bedrooms	Imperial Mansion	Imperial Garden
Lot 6540	Plan 4069B	4 Compartments, 2 Drawing Rooms, 4 Double Bedrooms	Imperial Palace	Imperial Fountain
Lot 6542	Plan 4072A	10 Roomettes, 5 Double Bedrooms	Cascade Spirit	Cascade Valley
Lot 6544	Plan 7405	Dining Car	Car Number 681	Car Number 685



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