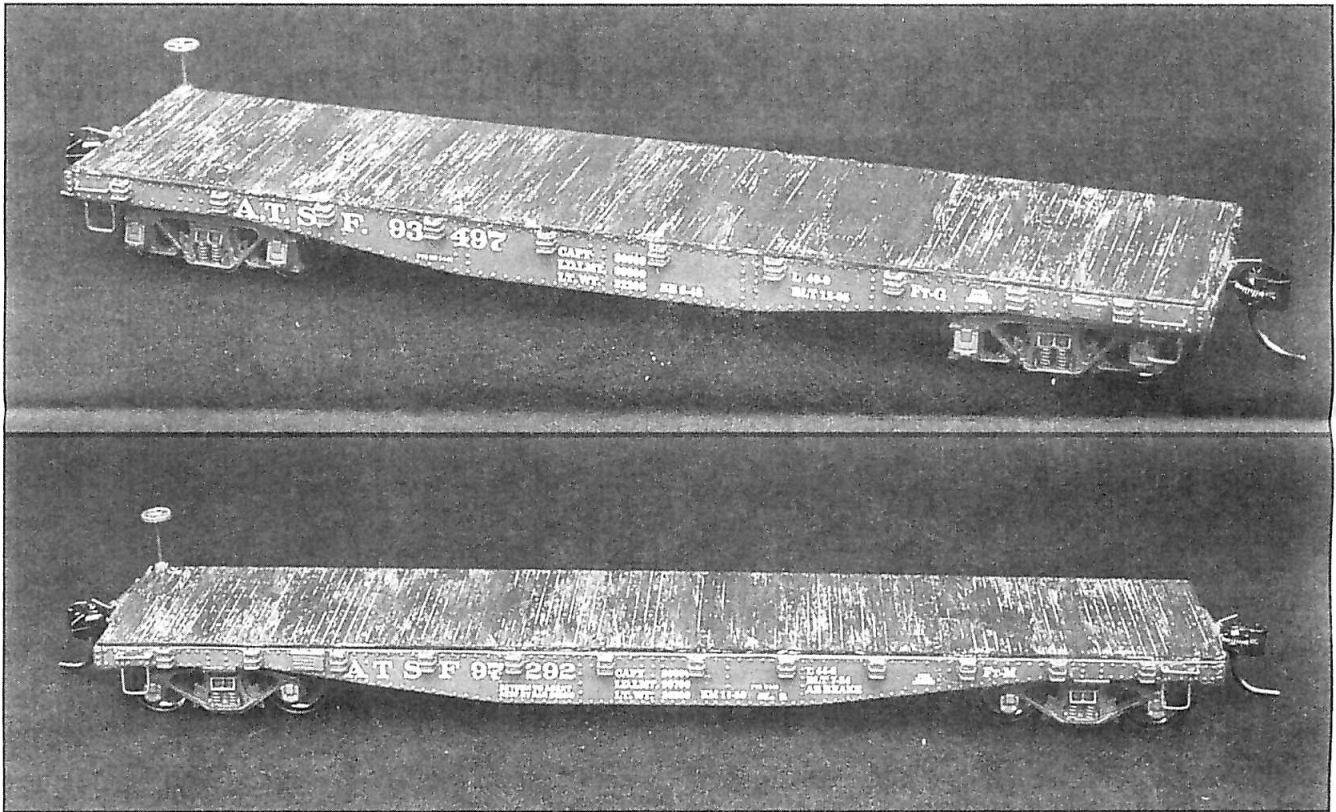


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ATSF Ft-G and M Flatcars



Two classes—1295 cars from the 40'4" IL class Ft-G and 500 cars from the 44'6" IL Ft-M—provided the vast majority of Santa Fe flatcars through the steam and early diesel era. The Ft-Gs left the revenue roster in 1950, but were widespread over the system in company service until the 1980s. The Ft-Ms remained in revenue service until 1974.

When they arrived in 1905-06, the Ft-Gs primarily were assigned to the ATSF (1145), but another 150 went to the E. Rlwy of N.M. The latter were renumbered into the ATSF 92029-92177 series before 1912. The remaining Ft-Gs were 94601-95000, 93501-94000 and 93256-93500 in order of purchase.

The Ft-Gs were KC brake equipped and had a brake staff on either the side or end. In the mid- 1930s the flat began to receive AB brakes and all but 16 were refitted by 1953, the "drop-dead" date. Some of the Gs made their way into company service as early as the late 1920s with their KC

brakes. These were 40 ton cars originally equipped with Archbar trucks but later fitted with Andrews "T" or "U" trucks.

The Ft-Ms were numbered 97001-97500 when they arrived in 1924. The Ft-Ms were also 40 ton cars. They arrived with a KC brake, with the hand brake mounted on the side at the corner of the "B" end. The cars began to receive AB brakes in the mid-1930s and all but 85 had them by 1953. They came with Andrews "U" section trucks. By the late 1950s most of the cars had received cast side frame trucks. There were 472 cars on the revenue roster in 1951.

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