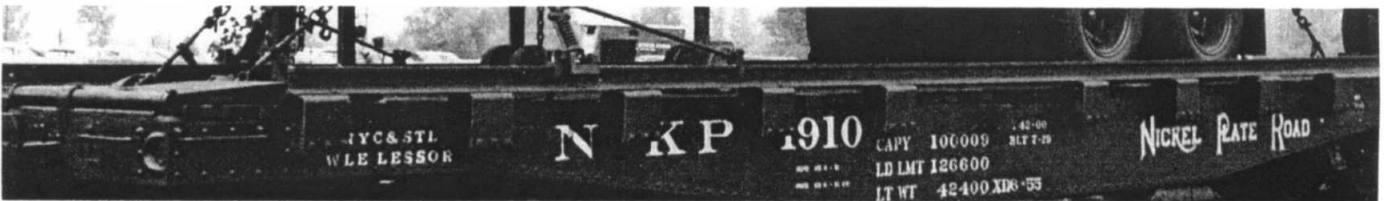
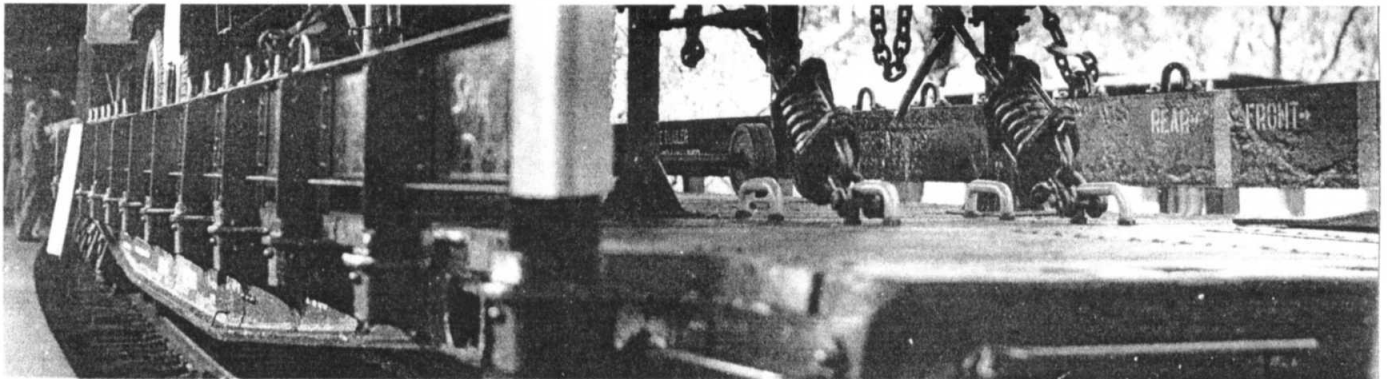




Mini-Kit NKP and LV Piggyback Flats



In mid-1954 when the NKP and LV initiated piggyback service, they converted existing flat cars for it. In the case of the NKP, these were former W&LE riveted flats, numbered in the 1900 series. The LV employed its 10000 series cast frame cars, identical to the PRR F-30D (as did the PRR). These projects required the simple

installation of rub rails/lengthwise tie down base, floor tie-down loops and off-ramps at opposite corners of the car. The NKP installed old rail above the stake pockets, while the LV employed an outward facing channel above the stake pockets.

Use a Bowser PRR F-30A flat car for the LV and a Red Caboose 43' flatcar for the NKP:

1. For the NKP, install the cast brackets around the stake pockets and mount a cast rail on top of the brackets on each side. Install the cast ramps on the floor on the right side of each end.
2. For the LV, install the cast angles in the stake pockets, notch the cast channels to accommodate the angles and glue channels to the angles rivet plates. Install a cast rod at the

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- ends of the channel to simulate bumpers. Add the cast ramps on the right side of deck at ends.
3. Paint the LV car boxcar red and the NKP car black. Add a gloss finish and allow drying, before lettering the cars.
4. Apply the proprietary decals, using the photos above for guidance. The NKP used the smaller name first, and later the larger name. Any number from the NKP or LV jumble is appropriate.
5. Seal the decals with a flat finish. Paint the LV end bumpers silver.

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