

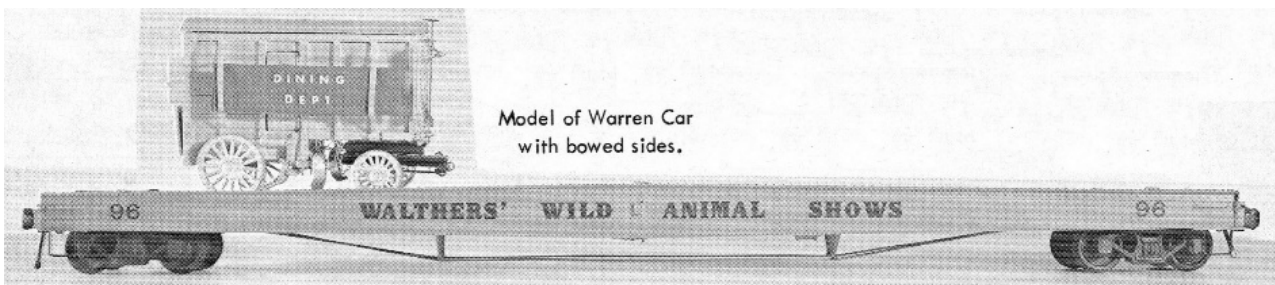
WALTHERS UNIQUE INTEREST, DOODLEBUG and SHORT RADIUS KITS

Walthers was a resource for some unusual models. Some were for traction, others for circus modeling. Together with Circus Craft which at the time offered a wide variety of kits, Walthers produced a kit for the 72' Warren flat car, widely used by carnivals and circuses traveling by rail.

With a sense of humor, Walthers made a few kits appealing to anyone of like feelings. Two were one-truck passenger pieces. Another was a 'beer can tank car.'

The unusual railfan car kit models an older heavy-weight coach with its windows removed.

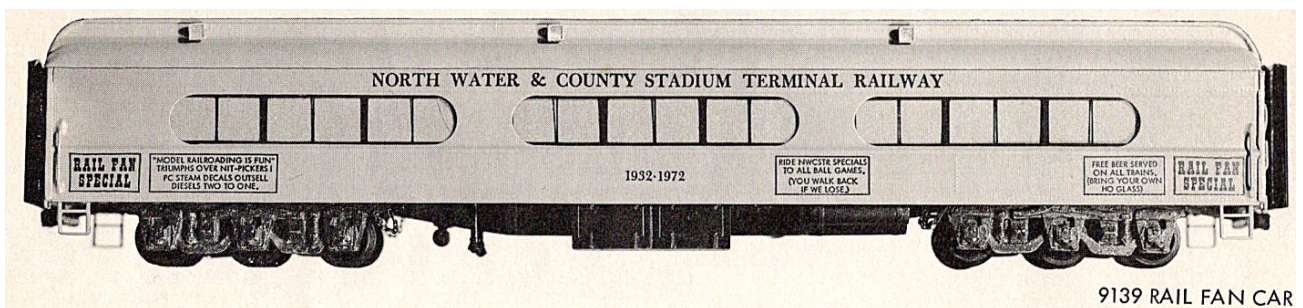
Kit 5401 (shown also as 5405 and 5409 after modifications): 72' Warren design circus flat car. Circus trains used passenger cars for performers, crew and management. Storage cars for tents and seats, cars for carrying and tending animals, flat cars for wagons and vehicles, all were equipped to run in passenger service. Circus trains were long, keeping the show together. This kit is less trucks and the circus wagon.



5419 Tongue-in-Cheek "Beer Can" tank car.



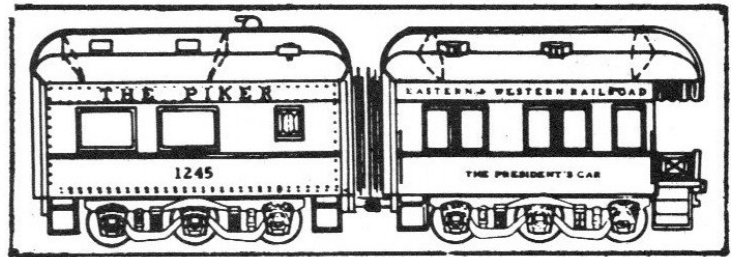
9139 Rail Fan Car 70' open sides, bench seats*



9139 RAIL FAN CAR

*Also available as short radius 14" kits. **Number 3338** had a scale Monitor roof and **Kit 3339** used a low-profile roof for 3 rail Tinplate and Lionel use.

9199 / 9112 These little one truck cars, the first 'Tongue-in Cheek' kits from the 1960's, were named "Oscar" (Kit 9199) and "Piker" (Kit 9112). Walthers also had interior detail kits for them. **Piker** and **Oscar** are in the order seen here



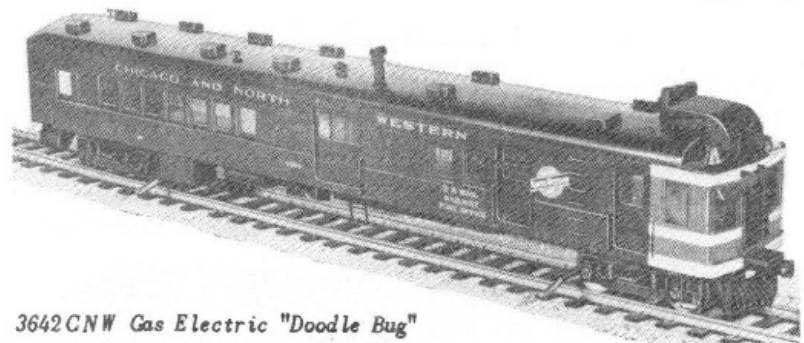
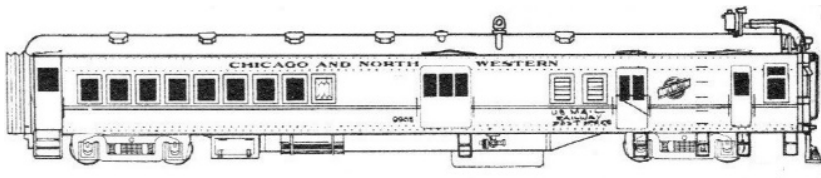
THE WALTHERS "DOODLEBUG" and NORTH SHORE LINE COACH

Walthers "Doodlebug" was another unique offering from the 1950's. There were no other kits for such unit at the time. The Doodlebug reached back to the 1930's when railroads tried using gas-electric units to replace steam powered trains on low traffic branch lines.

In the 1950's, Walthers introduced an O scale kit for a Chicago & Northwestern "Doodlebug" that was a scale length. Like other kits it had a wood roof, floor, stamped metal sides and cast, soft metal ends, one of which modeled the cab front and roof mounted radiator face.

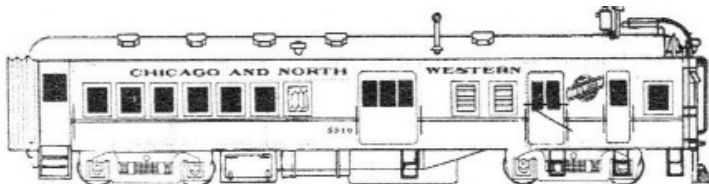
Kit 3642 75' mail/baggage/coach "Doodlebug"

Chicago & Northwestern



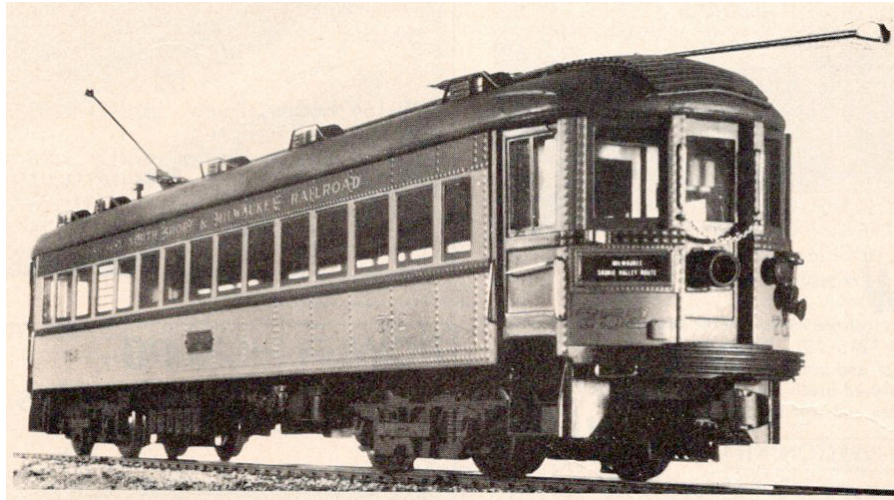
3642 CNW Gas Electric "Doodle Bug"

Kit 3652 "Short Radius" mail/bagg/coach "Doodlebug"



This North Shore Line coach was the last of several traction kits Walthers offered in the past. These are covered in the **Traction, Head end and Coach** list.

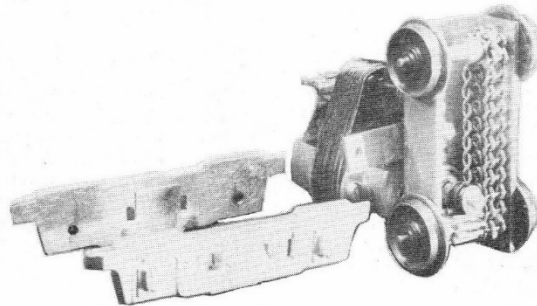
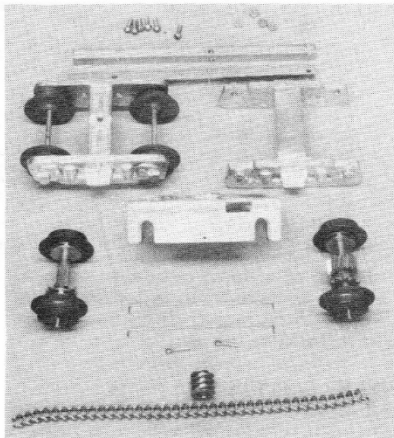
KIT 933J4590 North Shore Line coach.



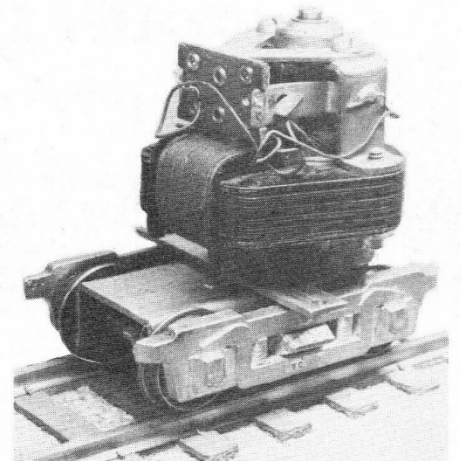
Power for the Doodlebugs, suburban and traction models was provided with a Walthers "Type A" truck, using a No.1 AC/DC K&D motor having a ladder chain drive. This drive was also used with Walthers interurban and powered suburban kits.

In 1990 after Walthers departed the O Scale kit market, the Doodlebug kits and the North Shore coach were continued by All Nation and re-fitted with All Nation drives.

POWER TRUCKS



Views of A truck parts (including U469 channels) and "A" trucks assembled.



TYPE "A" POWER TRUCK

From 1942 onward, SHORT RADIUS kits were made for the 3 rail and 'Tinplate' market

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SHORT RADIUS CAR KITS

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O SCALE - CRAFT TRAIN KITS

Several evenings or more construction time

Kits include milled fine grained basswood roofs and floors. Sides are tinsplate and ends are detailed die castings. Kits are complete with instructions & plans and include decals, dummy couplers and diaphragms. Less trucks.

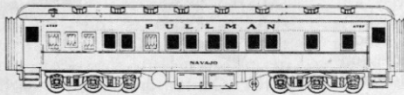
FOR LIONEL "O" TINPLATE & HI-RAIL

Heavyweight, standard steel Passenger Cars with all the heft and realism of O Scale, to operate on short radius curves - as low as 16"! These cars are 14" long and come in two styles. "Tinplate" models have a lowered silhouette to match the Lionel 2600 series red Pullman, and contain 941-796 Tinplate couplers. "Scale" models have the regular silhouette which matches the Walther's 9100 series cars in height and contain 941-96 scale couplers.

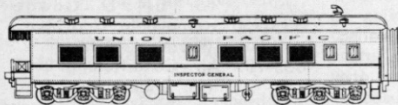
All 3300 series kits, whether "Tinplate" or "Scale", follow the same specifications as our regular passenger cars, and come complete with decals, diaphragms, couplers, and all parts necessary for assembly, less trucks.



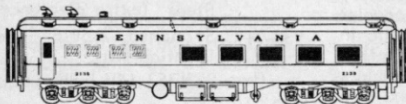
933J3370/71 Coach



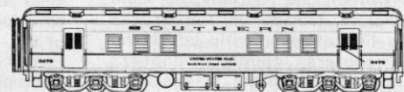
- 933J3305 Pullman Tinplate Kit 26.50
- 933J3306 Pullman Scale Kit 26.50
- (Use Interior 933-729 6.50)



- 933J3309 Exec/Observation Tinplate Kit 32.25
- 933J3308 Exec/Observation Scale Kit 32.25
- (Use Interior 933-730 10.75)



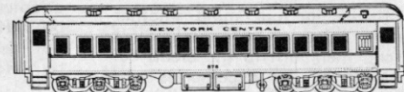
- 933J3315 Diner Tinplate Kit 27.50
- 933J3316 Diner Scale Kit 27.50
- (Use Interior 933-728 6.50)



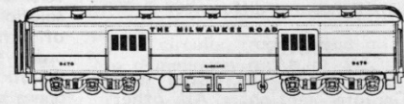
- 933J3333 Postal Tinplate Kit 26.50
- 933J3332 Postal Scale Kit 26.50



- 933J3341 Combine Tinplate Kit 26.50
- 933J3340 Combine Scale Kit 26.50
- (Use Interior 933-767 6.95)



- 933J3371 Coach Tinplate Kit 26.50
- 933J3370 Coach Scale Kit 26.50
- (Use Interior 933-679 7.25)



- 933J3323 Baggage Tinplate Kit 26.50
- 933J3322 Baggage Scale Kit 26.50

TIN PLATE TRUCKS

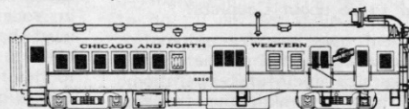
For scale & other tin plate trucks, see Truck Page.

- SIX-WHEEL PASSENGER CAR TRUCKS (Lead Alloy Sideframes)
- 933J50013 with Tinplate Metal Wheels pr 12.25
- PULLMAN STANDARD FOUR-WHEEL (Zamak Sideframes)
- 933J50133 with Tinplate Metal Wheels pr 9.75

GAS ELECTRIC

DOODLEBUG

Here's a Doodlebug for sharp curves. It matches the 3300 series passenger cars, and can be used by itself, or pulling a coach or combine. Tinplate couplers are standard, but Scale couplers can be substituted on request.



- 933J3652 Gas Electric Kit, less trucks 37.75
- (Use Interior 933-767 6.95)

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