



HARRIMAN

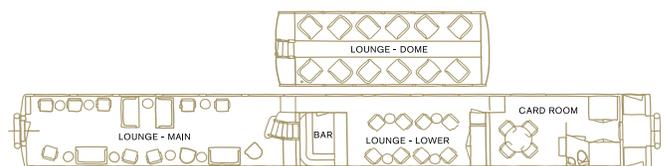
Dome Lounge Car – Stabled at Council Bluffs

The *Harriman* was built in 1955 by American Car & Foundry as dome lounge No. 9004. It was remodeled and named *Harriman* in 1988. This car received a full wood interior upgrade in 2006.

The car is named in honor of Edward Harriman, who had the vision to see potential in the bankrupt Union Pacific in 1897—enough so that he joined the refinance committee and became chairman of the new company a year later. Immediately, plans were under way to double track the main line, acquire new equipment, standardize wherever possible and modernize the whole railroad. He soon brought back into the fold other pieces of the bankrupt Union Pacific: the Oregon Short Line, Oregon Railroad & Navigation Company, Kansas Pacific, Denver Pacific and the St. Joe and Grand Island, acquiring each just as he had the Union Pacific main line. Harriman also pushed to acquire a new line, the Los Angeles and Salt Lake Railroad, to provide access to southern California.

Though Edward Harriman died in 1909, his eldest son, Averell, carried on his legacy, beginning his railroad career in 1913 at the age of 22, when he came to Omaha, Neb., for a two-year apprenticeship under Union Pacific President A. L. Mohler. When Judge Robert Lovett, chairman of the board, died in 1932, Averell took over. In 1941, President Roosevelt tapped Averell as ambassador to Russia and he turned over the chairmanship of the railroad to his younger brother, Roland.

After the war, Averell stayed in public service and Roland remained chairman until 1953, when he resigned to become head of the American Red Cross. In that capacity he served as many U.S. presidents as Averell. Roland remained a railroad director until his death in 1978, bringing a close to the Harriman era.



Configuration: Harriman is a Dome Lounge with a small room containing a card table and four chairs on the short end of the car, followed by a bar with seating for eight in the belly. The long end has seating for 18 and there is seating for 12 in the dome. Total car seating is 42.