LONE STAR

Business Car – Stabled at Council Bluffs

The Lone Star was built in 1950 by Pullman Standard as coach No. 5447. It was rebuilt in 1957 to the business car No. 100. It was renumbered in 1965 to No. 103 and again in 1968 to No. 102 and in 1971 to No. 101.

In 1989 the car was named Pocatello, after Shoshoni tribal Chief Pocatello, who granted the right of way for Union Pacific pioneer subsidiary Oregon Short Line to build across Native American land in southeastern Idaho. As a major operating point for Union Pacific, the railroad’s first hump classification yard was built in Pocatello in 1947. During steam locomotive days, Pocatello boasted the largest roundhouse on Union Pacific with 53 stalls and the largest shop facilities west of Omaha, Neb.

The car received an extensive interior wood upgrade and was renamed Lone Star in 2001 in recognition of UP’s operations in Texas, the Lone Star state.

Configuration: Lone Star is a platform car with the average Business Car arrangement: a kitchen, a crew room that sleeps two, a dining room that will seat eight, an exercise room with a restroom and an observation room that seats six to eight. It also has two bedrooms that share a bathroom. (Sleeps two guests and two crew)