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OF
EX. GWR. AND BR(WR) RESTAURANT CARS
(Including Buffet, Cafeteria,
and Kitchen & Dining Cars)

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INTRODUCTION

This is the second in our series of rolling stock booklets - concerning ex. GW and WR Restaurant Cars. It has not been possible to obtain any official lists, except for Standard WR stock, thus a great part of this booklet has been built up from private means and observations, and therefore certain errors may occur.

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Would readers with any further notes please write in to us, and this additional information will be published monthly in "Railway News" (Price: 2d plus 2d. post) available from the publishers. Companion to this booklet is the stock book of Ex. GWR and WR auto coaches. It contains a complete list of cars, dimensions, and allocations, available price 8d. plus 2d. postage. A Pullman Car Booklet is to be published later in the year.

We will do our best to answer any queries which might arise, which should be sent to "Longmead", Langstone, Nr. Newport, Mon., enclosing a S.A.E. please.

We hope this booklet will prove interesting, and that it has helped in a field of railways on which very little is published.

..... M. J. C.

PART 1. EX. GWR CARS

9501	C1?	W/D	193X	
9502	C1?	W/D	193X	
9503	C1?	W/D	193X	
9504	CL?	W/D	193X	
9505	RC?	B:1905.L:73'10 ³ / ₄ "	18F,32S.W/D	1956
9506	RC?	"	"	W/D
9507	RC?	"	"	W/D
9508	RC?	"	"	W/D
9509	RC?	"	W:35 ¹ / ₄ "	orig" W/D
9510	RC?	"	"	W/D 1957
9511	RC?	"	W: " "	"
9512	RC?	"	"	W/D
9513	RC?	"	"	W/D
9514	RC?	"	"	W/D
9515	RCA?	"	"	"
9516	C1?	W/D	193X?	
9517	C1?	"	"	
9518	C1?	"	"	
9519	C1?	"	"	
9520	C1?	"	"	
9521	C1?	"	"	
9522	RU	L: 73'0" W: 39.	B:1906. 42S/F	
9523		W/D?		
9524	RU	W/D	1959	
9525	RU	W: 39		
9526	RUDA	L: 73'0" W: 46	42 S/F	
9527	RUDA	L: 73'0" W: 47	6WB	
9528				
9529	RUDA	L: 73'0" W: 45	ID 42S/F	
9530	RUDA	L: 73'0" W: 45?	42S/F	
9531		W/D?		
9532		W/D?		
9533	RUDA	W: 40		
9534	RUDA	W: 40		

9535	RUDA	W: 40	
9536	RUDA	W: 40	
9537	RUDA	W: 40	
9538	RSA	42S?	
9539	RSA	42S?	
9540	RUDA	"	
9541	RUDA	"	
9542	RUDA	"	
9543	RUDA	W: 45	42S/F ID 6WB CC
9544		W/D?	
9545	RUA	"	
9546	RUA	"	
9547		W/D?	
9548	RUA	W: 37	
9549	RU	W: 36?	
9550	RUA	W: 36	
9551	RUA	W: 36	
9552	RUA	W: 40	
9553	RUDA	W: 39-41	42S/F
9554	RUDA	"	"
9555	RUDA	"	"
9556	RUDA	"	" L:73'2" 6WB CC
9557	RUDA	"	"
9558	RUDA	"	"
9559	Ruda	"	" W/D 6.59.
9560	RUDA	"	"
9561	RUDA	"	"
9562	RCA	W/D	6.59.
9563	RCA		
9564	RCA		
9565	RCA		
9566	RS?	L: 60'6"	W: 32 12F, 18S

9567	RCA	B: c.1938?		
9568	RCDA	W: 43	L: 77'6"	18F, 32S
9569	RCDA	"	"	"
9570	RCA	B: c.1922-24	L: 64'6"	W: 45.12F. 32S
9571	RCA	"	"	"
9572	RCA	"	"	"
9573	RCDA	6WB	"	"
9574	RCDA	6WB CC	"	"
9575	RCDA	6WB	"	"
9576	RCDA	6WB B: 1939?	"	"
9577	RCA	L: 60'6"	"	"
9578	RCA	"	"	during war
9579	RCA	"	"	(Used as ambulance car)
9580	RBSA	18S	"	"
9581	RC	W/D 6.59.	"	"
9582	RC	W/D 6.59.	"	"
9583	RCJA	W: 33	DIN	"
9584	RCJA	"	"	"
9585	RCJA	"	"	"
9586	RCJA	"	"	CC
9587	RCJA	"	"	"
9588	RUJ	"	"	"
9589	RUJ	"	"	"
9590		"	"	"
9591	RUJ	L: 63'6"	W: 32	ID DIN
9592	RUJ	"	"	"
9593	RUJ	"	"	"
9594	RKJA	B: C1929 ex. 1929	"Riviera"	W: 38W/
9595	RKJA	"	"	W/D56 " (D57.
9596	RKJA	" 6WB	"	"
9597	RKJA	" 6WB	"	"
9598	RKJA	"	"	"
9599	RKJA	"	"	"
9600	RKJA	"	"	"

9601	RCA	L; 63'6"	W: 38	12F,	31S
9602	RCA	"	"	"	"
9603	RCA	"	"	"	"
9604	RCA	"	"	"	"
9605	RCA	"	"	"	"
9606	RCA	"	"	"	"
9607	RCA	"	"	"	"
9608	RCA	"	"	"	"
9609	RCA	"	"	"	"
9610	RCA	"	"	"	"
9611	RS	Orig: 1st. Class ?			
9612	RS?	"	"		
9613	RB	BL 1931. L: 60'0"		Conv. from	RS11/56.
9614	RFA	L: 63'6"	W: 44	23F	
9615	RFA	"	"	"	CC
9616	RFA	"	"	"	
9617	RFA	"	"	"	
9618	RFA	"	"	"	
9619	RFA	"	"	"	CC
9620	RFA	"	"	"	
9621	RSA	(Saloon) DIN.			
9622	RUA	L: 63'6"	W: 33	DIN.	
9623	RUA	"	"	"	
9624	RUA	"	"	"	CC
9625	RUA	"	"	"	CC
9626	RUA	"	"	"	
9627	RUA	"	"	"	
9628	RUA	"	"	"	
9629	RUA	"	"	"	CC
9630	RSA	"	"		
9631	RBA	"	"		

- 9632 RBA
- 9633 RK
- 9634 RK
- 9635 RFJA B: 1935 L:63'6" 24F NW W: 43
- 9636 RFJA " " " "
- 9637 RUJA B:1935 NW W: 34 DIN.
- 9638 RUJA " " "
- (9635-38, see page 11;)
- 9639 RU L: 63'6" W: 32 DIN.
- 9640 RU? W: 42 24S/F?
- 9641 RU W: 42 24S/F
- 9642 RU? W: 42 24S/F?
- (9640/2 are joined together by an air duct)
- 9643 RBA B: 1936 18S/F (Both converted)
- 9644 RBA B: 1936 18S/F (from RSB's)
- 9645 RFA B: 1925 ex. artic. DIN 10002
- 9646 RFA B: 1925 ex.artic. DIN 10010?
- 9647 RFA B:1925 ex.srtic.DIN 10018?
- 6WB
- 9648 RFA B:1925 ex.artic. DIN 10026? 6WB
- 9649 RU B:1925 ex.artic. DIN 10034?
- 9650 B:1925 ex.artic. DIN 10042?
- 9651 B:1925 ex.artic. DIN 10004?
- 9652 RU B:1925 ex.artic. DIN 10012?
- 9653 RS B:1925 ex.artic. DIN 10020?
- 9654 B:1925 ex.artic. DIN 10028?
- 9655 B:1925 ex.artic. DIN 10036?
- L:60'3" W:32 56S W/D?
- 9656 B:1925 ex.artic. DIN 10044?
- 9657 CAFA B:1925 ex.artic. RK 10003
- L:63'6" W:36 42S. Sep.1935/6
- 9658 CAFA B:1925 ex.artic. RK 10011
- converted to caf.car 1956

9659 CAFA B:1925 ex.artic. RK 10019
 Converted to caf.car 7.56.
 10019 was last artic RK running

9660 CAFA B:1925 ex.artic. RK 10027
 Converted to caf.car 1956.

9661 CAFA? B:1925 ex.artic. RK 10035

9662 CAFA? B:1925 ex.artic. RK 10043
 (N.B. 10011/9/27/35/43
 weighed 36)

9663 RK L: 63'6" W: 41

9664 RK L: 63'6" W: 41

9665 RKA L: 63'6" W: 40-41 DIN

9666 RKA " " "

9667 RKA " " "

9668 RKA " " "

9669 RKA " " "

9670 RKA " " "

9671 RCA L: 64'6" 12F 32S 6WB

9673 RCA " " "

9674 RCA " " "

9675 RCA " " "

9676 RKA Rebuilt to RBSA

9677 RBSA Re-coded from RBA

9678 RBSA W: 44 21S 6WB

9679 RBSA " " "

9680 RBA B: 1936?

PART E. STANDARD W.R. STOCK.

RFO First Class Diner

L: 63'5" W: 32 42F

7 8

RF First Class Kitchen/Diner

L: 63'5" W: 43 17F

301 303 303 304 305

(One of these cars is usually found on the 8'30 a.m. Cardiff to Newcastle, and on the return working)

RSO Second Class Diner

L: 63'5" W: 31 48S

1007 1008 1009 1010

1011 1012 1013

RU Unclassed Kitchen/Diner (Loose chairs)

L: 63'5" W: 38 33S/F

1900 1901 1902 1903

1904 1905 1906 1907

1908 1909 1910 1911

1912 1913 1914 1915

1916 1917 1918 1919

1920

PART 3. W.R. DIESEL UNIT BUFFETS

Trailer Buffet Second

(Middle coach of WR "Cross-Country" sets)

L: 64'6" W: 30 tons 12 cwts.

255 256 257 258 259 260 261 262 263 264
265 266 267 268 269 270 271 272 273 274
275 276 277 278 279 280 281 282 283 284
285 286 287 288 289 290 291 292 293 294
295 296 297 298 299 300 301

Built by Swindon Works (BR)

Trailer Buffet Second

(Middle coach of WR "Cross Country" sets)

L: 64'6"

413 414 415 416 417 418 419 420 421 422
423 424 425 426 428 429

These vehicles are still being delivered.
Built by the Gloucester Railway C & W Co.
Both the above types of coaches have only
miniature buffets at one end of the coach.

PART 4. EX. GWR DIESEL RAILCARS

W3/3W/W38W- Twin unit with small buffet.

B:1942. Engines: 4 92S

(Above details are for twin unit, and not
for each railcar)

W4W B:1936 Engines: 2 42S

(At present being converted to a parcels
car. This unit also had a small buffet at
one end, and in early days was used on an
express service from S.Wales to the Midlands)

PART 5. OTHER VEHICLES CONNECTED WITH
THE G.W.

W9212E - Caf. Car. L: 60'0" W: 41

W9217E - Caf. Car. L: 60'0" W: 41

These cars are of Eastern wooden paneled design, but are allocated to the WR and serviced by the ER.

W41697E - Caf. Car. L: 52'6" W: 34 15s/F?

This vehicle is also allocated to the WR but is serviced by the ER

ABBREVIATIONS USED IN THIS BOOKLET

B	- Built	CC	- Chocolate &
Cl	- Clerestory		Cream
ID	- Inset Doors	F	- First
S	- Second	L	- Length
?	- Uncertain	S/F	- Unclassed
6WB	- 6 wheel bogies		
NW	- Not to work over Eastern or Western Valleys, or between Little Mill Jct. and Maindee North Jct.		

CODES FOR DESCRIBING COACHES

RB - Buffet Car
RF - Restaurant First Class
(With or without kitchen)
RC - Restaurant Car, Composite.
(With or without kitchen)
RU - Restaurant Car, unclassified.
(With or without kitchen)
RSO - Second Class dining saloon.
(Loose chairs)
RFO - First Class dining Saloon.
(Loose chairs)

The addition of the letter 'A' to the Codes in the case of GW stock indicates that the vehicle has been fitted so that its gangways are able to couple with those of Pullman cars.

The addition of 'D' denotes 70' stock.
" " " 'J' " 9'7" wide stock.

Some confusion may occur by the fact that no indication is given as to whether GW Dining saloons contain kitchens or not. However, the letters 'DIN' have been included if the vehicle contains no kitchen.

- 9635-38 Riviera Centenary stock.
Twin units - 9635/37, 9636/38.
- 9505-15 Were "Dreadnought Diners".
More details of these interesting vehicles may be found in an edition of Trains Illustrated during 1959.
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