

HOQUAT HOBBIES

March 2007 Newsletter:

Hopefully, if you get this newsletter, you have already gotten our 2007 catalog. As we move into another year, we are continuing to expand the depth of our inventory from our long time manufacturers and to have add products from new manufacturers. Please remember we don't have 100% of all the items in the catalog in stock at all times. We just don't have the funds to have one of every item on hand all the time. This is especially true of big ticket items like locomotives. We probably have about 30 different locos in stock, and would like to increase that number as time goes on. If we do list something we either do have it or think we can order it for you. Occasionally, we do get requests for items only to find the item is no longer available from the manufacturer. Sometimes it's because the manufacturer doesn't show it as sold out in their lists or websites. Sometimes it because we didn't see that it was sold out or sometimes because we had it when the catalog was issued, but, as often happens in S, the item was discontinued and we sold our last one. Below we have a list of some of those items which have disappeared from our shelves since January.

We were goofing off at the beginning of the month and closed Saturday March 3 (traveling to Hartford CT for the Big East Women's basketball tournament for the weekend. I had a great time, since Rutgers won its first Big East Tournament championship ever.) However, its now time to get back to work and to S gauge. We had considered going out to Ohio for the Spring Spree, but unfortunately, I'm tied up with other obligations. I will be at the NASG Convention in Baltimore this summer.

Sold out items:

Pacific Rail Shops: All 50' box cars and ice reefers have been sold out. We are down to 10 kits, all 40' box cars: GCS002 Southern; GCS008 Southern Double Door, GSC028 and 029 Norfolk Southern (Viking style roof), PRS B422 Erie, PRSB424W and 424S D&RGW (silver/white), PRSB431 and B433 P&LE. We are also almost out of PRS trucks, so all of the above cars are less trucks.

Hall Decals: PRR decals #124 (hopper) and #126 (cabin car) are now sold out.

Pine Canyon Scale Models: Sold out our Motel, Motel Extension and Barry's Speed Shop Kits.

SHS Bulkhead Flats: #00158 and 00159 CB&Q, #00160 D&RGW, #00161 IC, #00163 Southern, #00332 ATSF are now all sold out. Only one each of #00162 IC, #00166 Wabash and #00334 GN are still available.

Limited availability stuff:

S Helper Service

ATSF F-7 AB set AC/DC w/sound (#00930 blue and yellow freight scheme) - \$479.95 (One only)

Hoppers: \$39.95

#00767 C&O Composite hopper (1 only)

#01655 (1), #01656 (10 and #01657 (2) PRR composite hoppers

#01177 Reading USRA hopper (4) and 1 Three car set for \$99.95

#00995 NYC red panel side hopper

#00037 CSX, #00078 NYC, #00080 New Haven #00408 LNE PS-2 hoppers (1 each)

Reefers \$45.95

#00078 CB&Q, #01003 ART, #01006 NRCC Banana, #01015/01016 FG Express, #01274 Monarch Foods, #01278 Milw. Rd., 01279/01280 WFE, #01609/01610 PFE/WP.

PS-2 Three bay hoppers - \$42.95: #01629 CNW #1, #01626 Jack Frost, #01628 B&O are now either sold out or almost sold out at SHS. We have a stock of all of these at present, but if you've been waiting to buy, now is the time.

Stock Cars: \$42.95

#00059 and 00059 PRR (one each) 00138 MoPac (have two), UP 01141 and 01142(one each)

And gently used for \$37.00 each #00055 ACL and 00064 NYC

TOFC - \$59.95

#00185 Union Pacific (one only), #00186 Unlettered (2)

Limited Availability, continued:

SHS

Flat cars \$39.95:

SP Flats #01167/01168 (one each) plus a few with loads (excavator @ \$49.95 and scraper @ \$52.95

The track shortage is expected to last until spring. We still have a few boxes of 5" straight track and 19" radius curves. The 24" radius curve and flex track are in good supply. We also have some manual turnouts and a few LH remote turnouts available.

Pine Canyon Scale Models

We just sold our next to last Kathy's Greasy Spoon Diner, which is discontinued by PCSM, if you would like our very last one - \$59.00

New:

American Models tank cars @ \$36.95: #519 Texaco, #520 Sunoco, #521 Dow plus rerun of #510 B.F. Goodrich

Pine Canyon Scale Models: Now has two versions on a cold storage facility available. One is a flat building, which is part of their back alley series, Back Alley #3 for \$109. If you want the full building, The Big Cold Storage Facility, that is available for \$189. It can be built as either an 18" by 4 3/4" or 15 3/4" x 7" footprint.

Coming soon will be two more back alley kits: Back Alley #4 Meat Locker and Back Alley #5 Ice House

Tonkin Replicas: PEM Truck Models #M00401 Modern 40' Container (red) with trailer chassis (black) \$39.95

JTM: Mega Steam smoke fluid: \$5.00/bottle

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