**Background Facts About Your "Platform Shelter"**

The Atlas Model #707 Platform Shelter makes an excellent companion piece for the popular Atlas Model #706 Passenger Stations. The contrast and dimensions of its roof and platform match exactly with the extended roof and platform of the Passenger Stations.

By connecting several #707 Platform Shelters to either or both ends of the Atlas Station you can, in a practical and efficient fashion, give it the look of a modern structure where passengers can board or detract from any of several cars without being required to walk the needlessly long ways before reaching a sheltered platform.

If your station is located on a double track railroad you'll probably want to install a line of several connected Platform Shelters across the tracks from the station for the benefit of passengers traveling in the opposite direction.

With such an arrangement, you should provide a way for the express man to get his baggage wagons across the tracks. A common practice on prototype railroads is to connect opposite platforms with a planked crossover between the rails. The realistically detailed platforms of a pair of Atlas Code 83 #7519 or Code 100 #7894 Platforms, laid side by side, is just right for the job.

Individual Atlas Platform Shelters make ideal stations for the traction road end and they are just right at footsteps or in suburban stations along a connector branch. To go to the other extreme, if your layout will sufficiently large to allow plans for a multiple track passenger terminal, the #707 provides a quick and expensive way to create attractive and authentic train-length sheltered platforms. The wood arrangement is to have one platform for each pair of tracks.

**ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS**

**FIG. 1 - See Step 1**

**ASSEMBLING THE PLATFORM SHELTER**

1. As the first step in the assembly of the Platform Shelter, you should decide whether you'll use one (or both) of the shelters to an extension to your Atlas Model #706 Passenger Station, or as a separate shelter across the tracks from the station. **IN ALL CASES, WHETHER YOU PLAN TO CONNECT SEVERAL SHELTERS TOGETHER, the neatest job will result if, after STEP 2, you cement the ROOF 53 together as shown in FIG. 1 - keeping them aligned on a flat surface until thoroughly set. In this fashion, the PLATFORMS 40 should be cemented and to end keeping the front (unslipped) edges aligned.**

As an extension to the station, you need only one DOWNSPOUT 24 per shelter and a LIGHT FIXTURE 53 will be needed on only the exposed GABLE 17 of the end shelters. If a shelter is used as a separate structure, two downsputs should be installed as shown in FIG. 2 and a LIGHT FIXTURE should be installed at each end.

2. Cement GABLE 17 to each end of ROOF 38.

3. Cement two COLUMNS 39 into the notches on the undersides of the roof. **IMPORTANT!** Be sure the notches at the bottom of the columns face one another as shown in FIG. 2.

4. Cement the lower end of the columns into the holes in PLATFORM 40.

5. Cement DOWNSPOUTS 24 to COLUMNS 39. Make certain that the lower end of each downsput enters the small offset section of the hole in the platform and that the upper end is inserted into a roof gutter hole. Square up the assembly and check the roof height against the height of your Atlas Station roof. See FIG. 3. Be sure that the front (unslipped) edge of the SHELTER PLATFORM is aligned with the front edge of the PLATFORM in, then, if necessary, adjust the SHELTER ROOF to bring it into alignment with the STATION ROOF.

6. Cement a BENCH 26 in place between COLUMNS 39. The bench should face the front edge of the platform. For use under a separate shelter you may wish to use two benches in the optional back-to-back arrangement shown in the drawing.

7. Install LIGHT FIXTURES 53 where necessary.

8. HANDCART 30 can be leaned up against one of the columns or you may choose to place it elsewhere around the station.

**ASSEMBLING THE BAGGAGE WAGON**

9. Cement FRONT LEG 43 to BODY 41 as shown in FIG. 4.

10. Cement REAR LEG 42 to the BODY.

11. Cement FIFTH WHEEL 44, axle side down, to FRONT LEG 43.

12. Cement WHEELS 45 in place with their rim flange facing outwardly.

13. Install FENCE 46, cementing from below.

14. Cement DRAWBAR 48 into the small hook at the front of the FIFTH WHEEL.

**ASSEMBLING THE PACKAGE SCALE**

15. Cement SCALE ARM 29 to the SCALE PLATFORM 28 as shown in FIG. 5. FUEL TANK 27 is just a little boxes for which you can find many uses around your layout.

**FIG. 2**

- Paint column brown
- Paint fixtures, weights, wheels and platform top black

**FIG. 3**

- Check Roof Height - See Step 5
- Align shelter roof with station roof before cementing
- Remove light fixture from station
- Paint shingles and rim red, and trim silver

**FIG. 4**

- Paint fifth wheel black