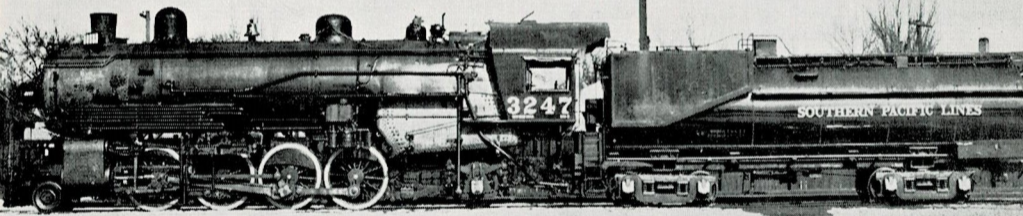


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THE HEAVY PACIFICS WHICH FOR ABOUT 14 YEARS hauled passenger trains on the Salt Lake Division were gradually replaced by heavier and more powerful "Mikado" 2-8-2 locomotives numbered in the 3200's. Locomotive Number 3247 is typical of the MK-5s—most powerful of SP's Mikados. Length overall is about 81 feet 2½ inches. The tender is of the Vanderbilt type. Number 3247 has total weight of 441,000 pounds with tender loaded and its 210-pound boiler pressure delivers 53,630 pounds tractive effort on the 63-inch drivers. None of the Mikados have booster engines. These engines handled heavy passenger trains between Roseville, California and Sparks, Nevada, for a number of years, and between Bakersfield and Los Angeles until train weights increased beyond their capacity without double heading. They were then transferred to freight service in valley territory. (Southern Pacific Photo X-1570)

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