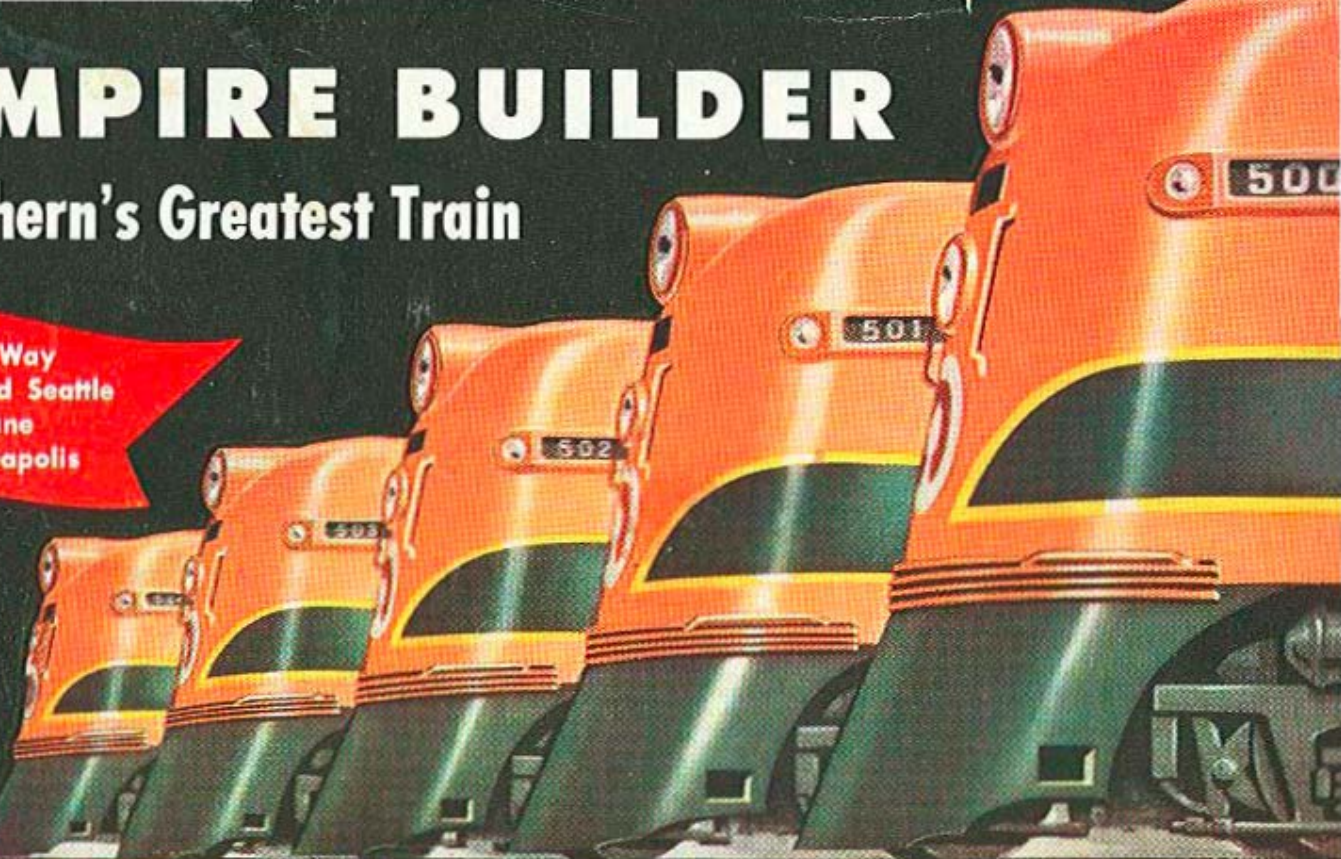
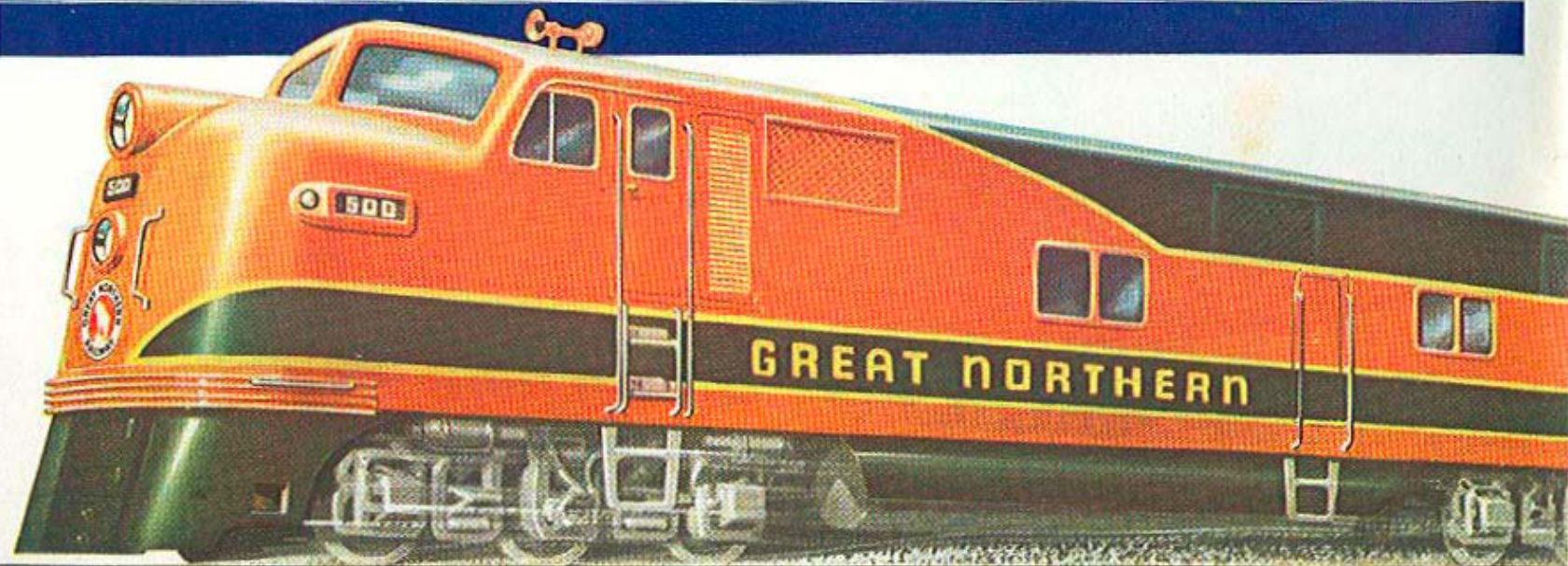
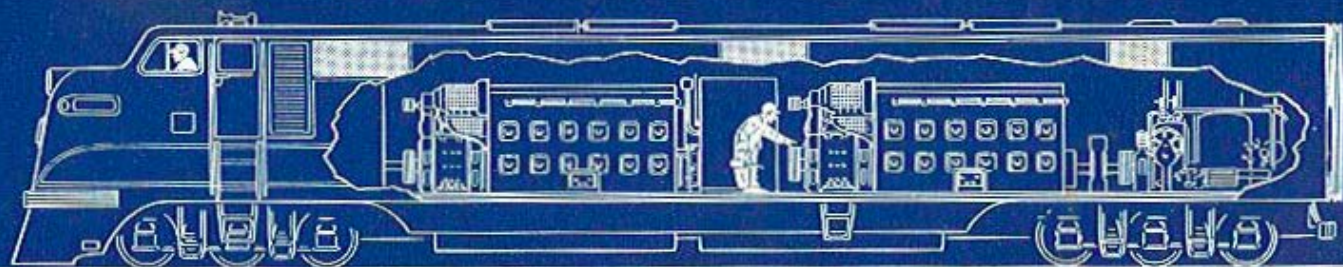


The EMPIRE BUILDER

Great Northern's Greatest Train

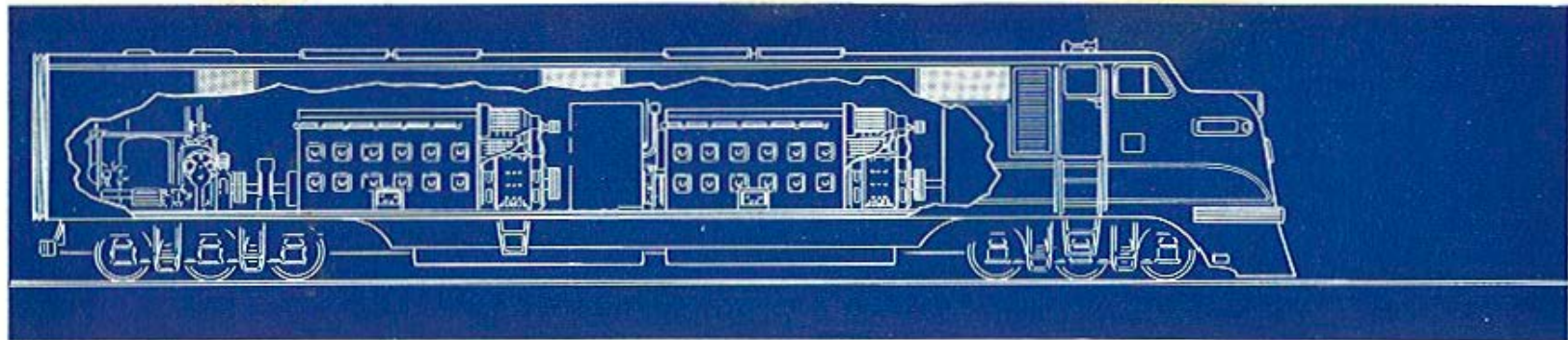
Every Day-Each Way
Between Chicago and Seattle
Portland · Spokane
Via St. Paul · Minneapolis



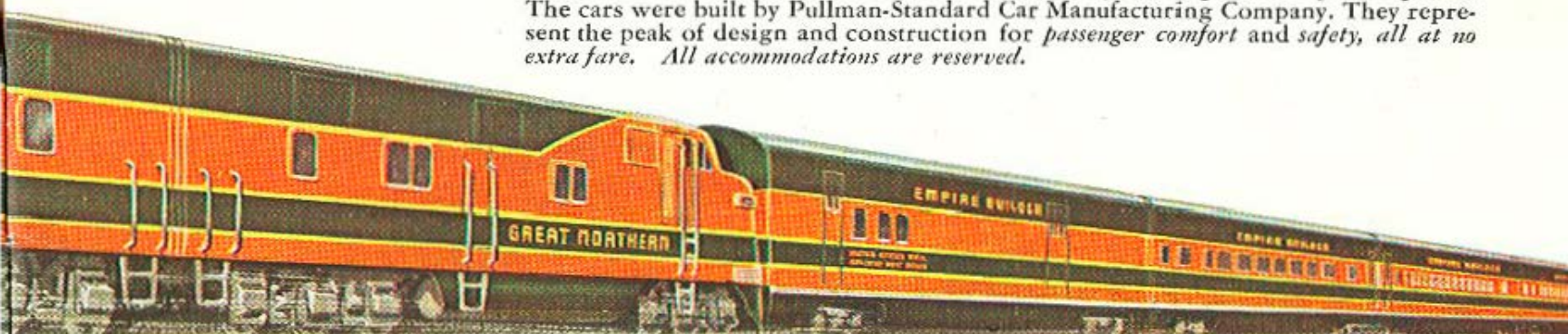


This booklet illustrates and describes each car of the NEW Empire Builder. Check the accommodations you would like and turn to the pages that describe them. Following the

two-unit, four-thousand horsepower diesel-electric locomotive, are: combination mail-baggage car (page 4), 60-passenger coach with reclining seats and individual footrests (page 5),

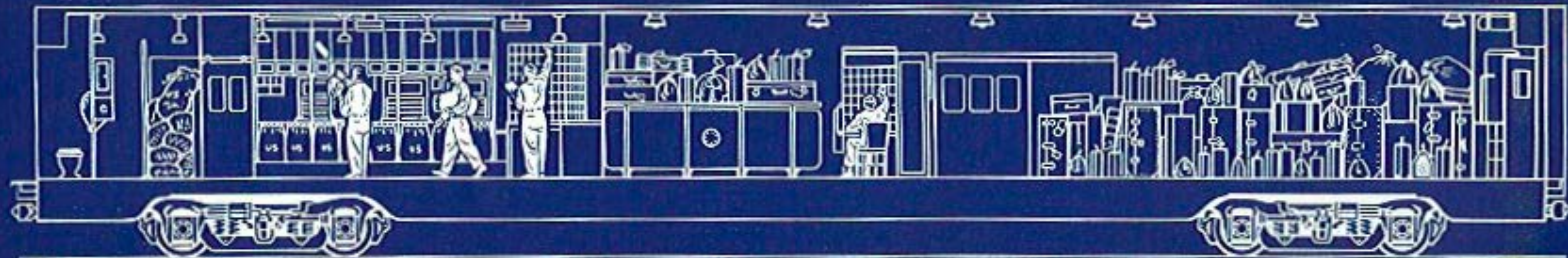


The *Streamlined EMPIRE BUILDERS* are the first modern, postwar transcontinental trains—in daily 2-night service between Chicago and Seattle-Portland, via St. Paul, Minneapolis and Spokane. This new luxury fleet consists of five complete, all-new streamlined trains. The sleek, swift diesel locomotives were built by the Electro-Motive Division of General Motors. They are superb, dependable power plants. The cars were built by Pullman-Standard Car Manufacturing Company. They represent the peak of design and construction for *passenger comfort and safety, all at no extra fare.* *All accommodations are reserved.*



three 48-passenger reserved seat coaches with reclining seats and specially designed leg rests (pages 6 to 9), coffee shop-lounge car (pages 10 and 11), dining car (pages 12 and 13),

four Pullman sleeping cars, with bedrooms, duplex roomettes and standard sections (pages 14 to 19), observation-lounge car, with drawing room and bedrooms (pages 20 and 21).



Luxury Travel **AT NO EXTRA FARE**

Regardless of whether you ride in the comfortable Day-Nite coaches or in any one of the five different first-class accommodations on the *Streamlined* EMPIRE BUILDER, you ride at NO EXTRA FARE. This is luxury travel brought within the means of every traveler—another thing that makes Great Northern *great*.

It takes more than fine equipment to make a train—it takes the effort of people to achieve luxury transportation. Train attendants,

proud of the long tradition of Great Northern service and courtesy, are constantly available to serve your needs.

On each train there is a passenger representative who is always on call to take care of unusual circumstances and requirements. He takes your reservation for dinner, announces points of historical and scenic interest along the route, and watches for opportunities to serve you.



Nothing is spared on the EMPIRE BUILDER to make your ride as comfortable and pleasant as possible.

In order to maintain daily service between

Chicago and Seattle-Portland, a fleet of five streamlined EMPIRE BUILDERS is required—five Diesel units and five each of every single car.

The First Two Cars

The head-end car is a combination Railway Post Office and baggage unit. Great Northern Railway has handled the fast mail between St. Paul and Seattle for many years.

The second car is a smart, modern coach, finished in pastel blue, with individual reclining seats with foot-rests, for sixty pas-

sengers. It is planned primarily for the convenience of intermediate passengers, and seats are reserved in advance with ordinary coach tickets at *no additional charge*. It provides large, attractive dressing rooms with complete toilet facilities, and is equipped with a public address system.



New-Type **LUXURY DAY-NITE COACHES**

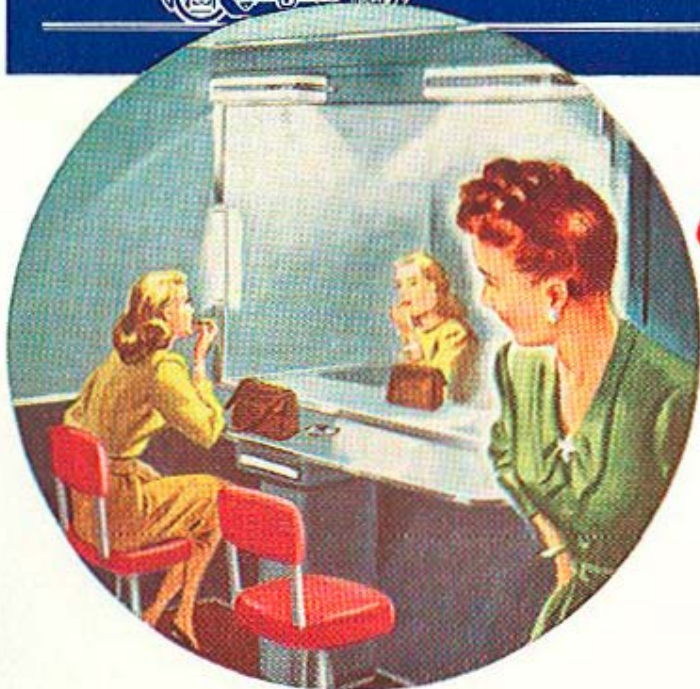
The EMPIRE BUILDER trains include three new-type Day-Nite Coaches, each accommodating forty-eight passengers. One Day-Nite Coach accommodates through passengers between Chicago and Portland. The other two operate between Chicago and Seattle. Coaches are designed to provide more comfort, more convenience for long distance travelers. The seats are reserved with ordinary coach tickets *at no additional cost.*

There's 20% more space for each passenger than in the 60-passenger coach. The seats have individual leg rests that pull out easily from the seats ahead. Adjust your individual reclining chair, stretch out with your feet up, and there you have it—your own chaise longue for luxurious travel comfort. And when you wish to freshen up, there are two dressing rooms with complete toilet facilities in each Day-Nite Coach (page 8).



Chicago, America's second largest city, extending for 40 miles along the blue waters of Lake Michigan, unmarred by docks and waterfront factories, is one of the great railway centers of the

world. Its famed shops and great stores are magnets for the fortunate travelers who have a few hours or a few days to spend in the metropolis that is "The Crossroads of the Nation"



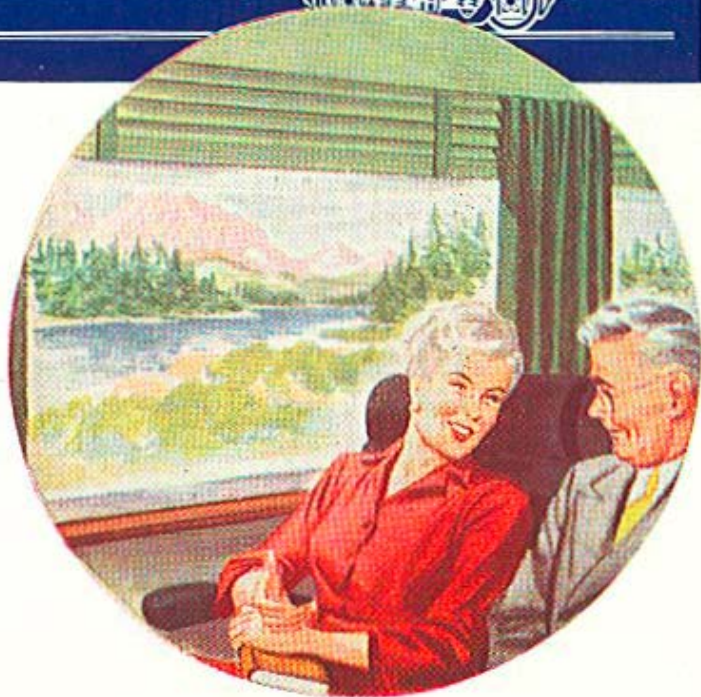
An easy way **TO SAVE MONEY**

That is what passengers will say after they travel in the Day-Nite Coaches on the EMPIRE BUILDER. You enjoy more privacy, more room, more comfort and convenience on these new-type coaches than ever before at the low coach fare. You see more scenery, too, through oversize windows. These are hermetically sealed to insure maximum air-conditioned comfort. Venetian blinds permit you to control the light. Each car is equipped with no-glare ceiling lights, controlled reading lights, and public address system.



Keynote **FOR DESIGN AND COLOR**

There is nothing monotonous about the EMPIRE BUILDER interiors. In all cars you will observe attractive designs, decorations and color schemes. The three luxurious Day-Nite Coaches, for example, are finished in three different pastel color schemes. The first is a beautiful blend of tans, the second greens, and the third yellows. The secret of harmonious variety throughout this gorgeous train is the artistic use of designs and colors characteristic of the country the streamlined Empire Builder traverses.

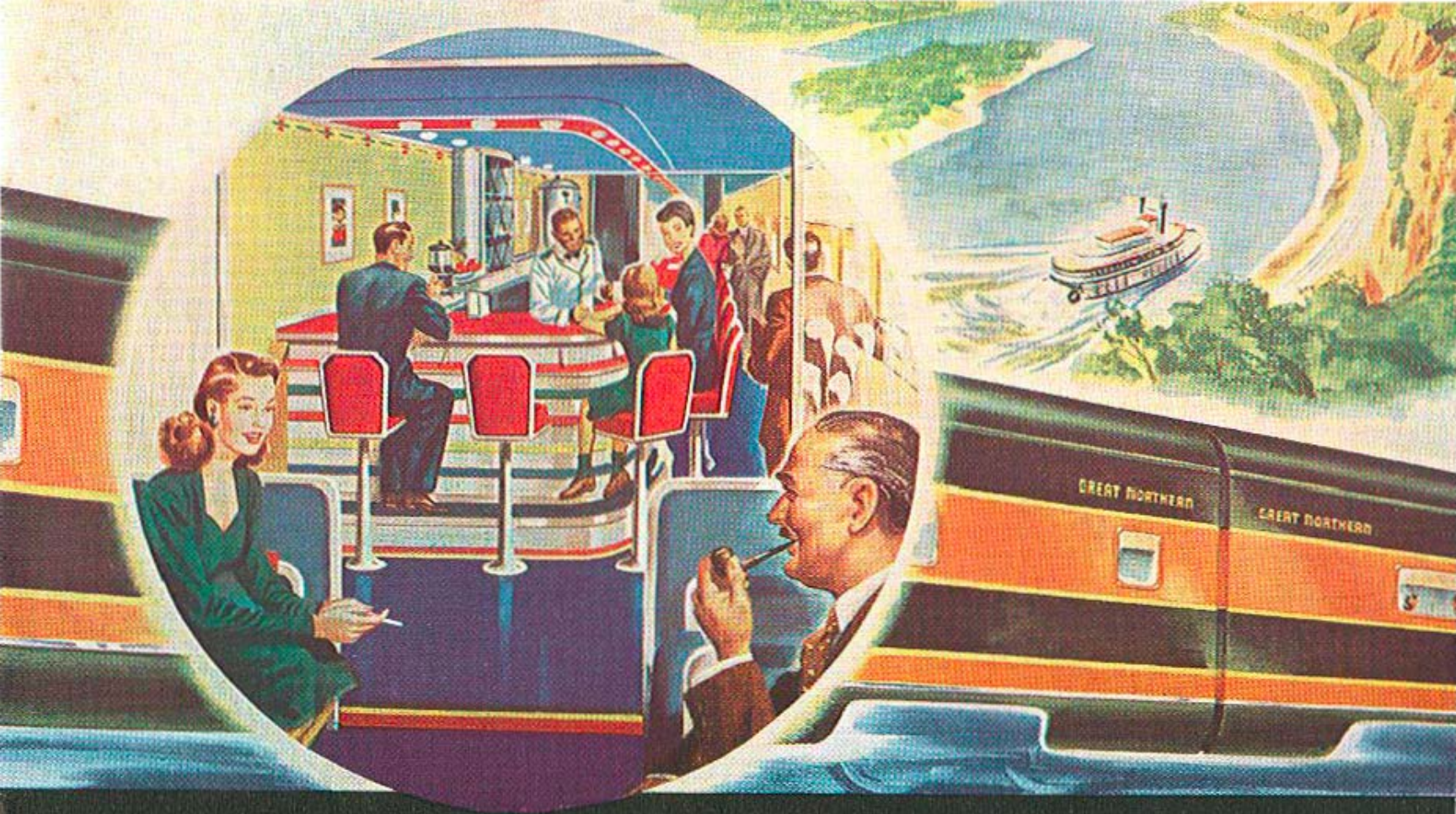




The Attractive **COFFEE SHOP CAR**

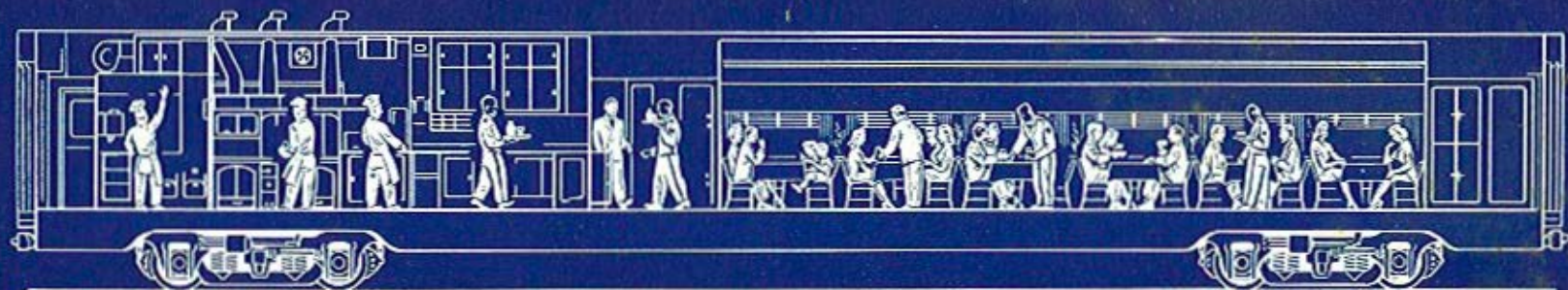
This car has a very realistic purpose — to provide good food at economical prices with quick service. It contains the latest and most efficient equipment for the preparation of foods and beverages. Ten persons can be seated at the food counter, and there are ten additional seats in the lounge end of the car. But this car is beautiful as well as functional. It's bright and gay and friendly. It will be fun coming in here for snacks and refreshment.

What gives this car its glamorous atmosphere — its distinctive, refreshing charm? You'll find yourself surrounded by the primitive designs and bright colors handed down through untold generations of Blackfoot Indian tribes — by nature's most delicate hues and color tone contrasts from Glacier National Park, Montana — by the motifs and brilliance of Hudson's Bay blankets. All these combine to form a Western roundup of design and color.



Three hundred miles of thrilling scenery on the Burlington Route along the shores of the majestic Mississippi, with its gently rolling hills, fantastic rock formations and wooded valleys, make either

the westbound or eastbound daylight hours between Chicago and St. Paul-Minneapolis a never-to-be-forgotten experience in travel pleasure. Every season presents its spectrum of beauty and color.



Previewing **THE BEAUTIFUL DINING CAR**

The quality of its meals is the most important thing about a dining car. Since you can't pretaste the food or prejudge the service, you must wait until your first meal on the EMPIRE BUILDER. In the meantime, you have this assurance: That Great Northern's far-famed standards of excellence of cuisine and service are being maintained. Dinner on the EMPIRE BUILDER is by reservation. No waiting in line.

But, you can preview the style and appearance

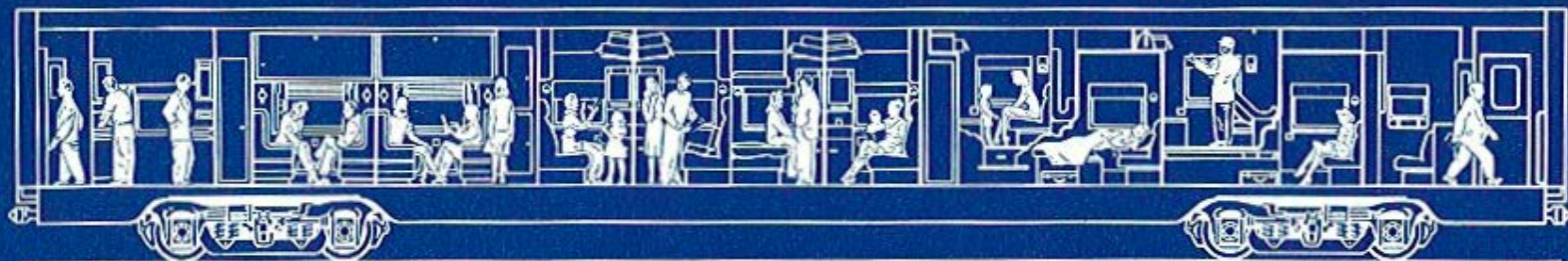
of this lovely room—a symphony of harmonious colors. The gorgeous wild flowers of Glacier National Park inspired the decor of the EMPIRE BUILDER dining cars. Pier panels and window drapes reflect hues of varieties rarely seen elsewhere.

The table service was individually designed for the EMPIRE BUILDER—the china by Onondago Pottery; glassware by Libbey; flatware by International Silver, and imported Irish table linen from William Liddell.



The green and golden domain extending nearly 2,000 miles between the Great Lakes and the Pacific Northwest coast supplies the home and travel tables of America with a great

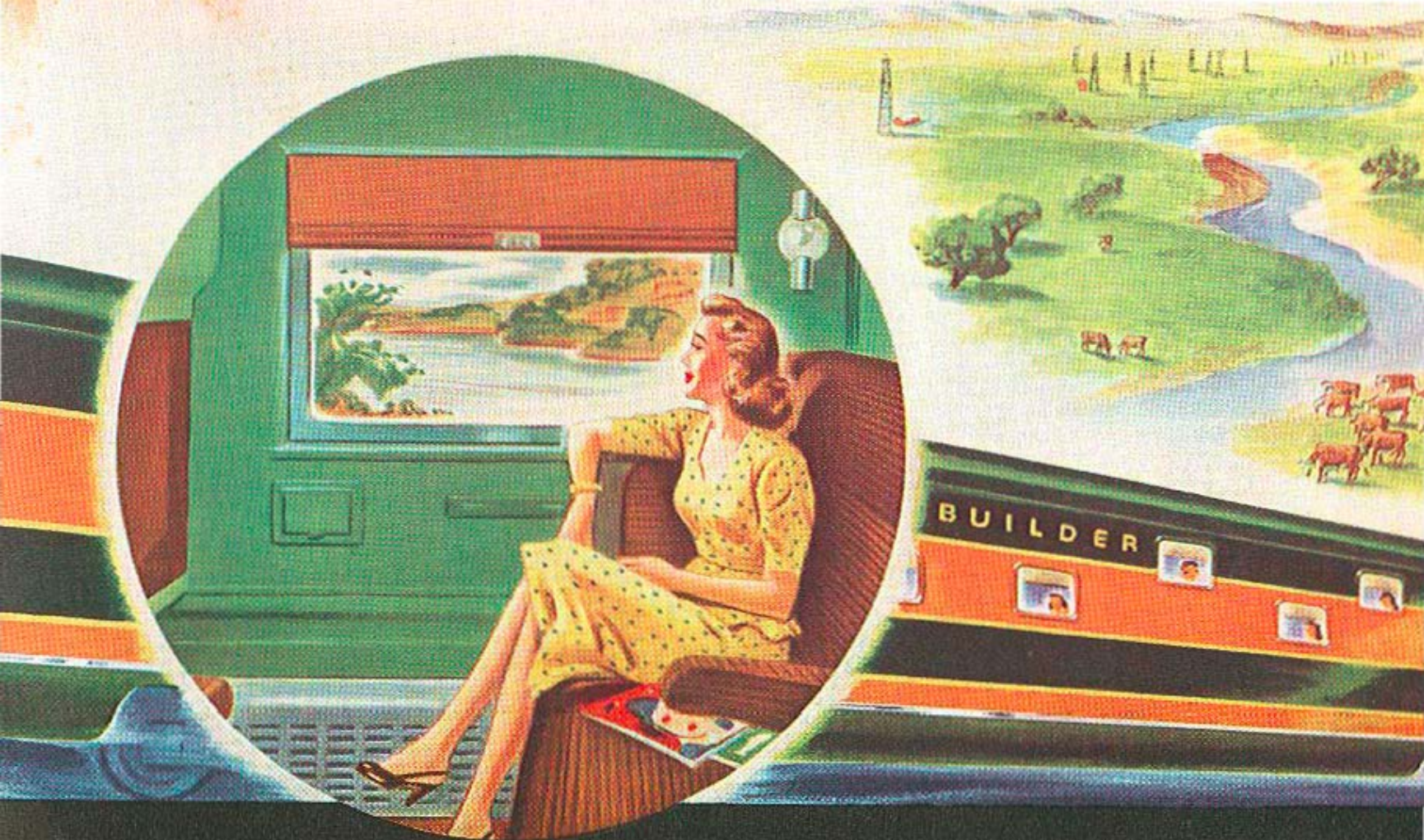
variety of food necessities and luxuries. From this rich area's large and prosperous farms, orchards and ranches, come choice edibles, which help to make Great Northern dining service famous.



A Variety OF PULLMAN SLEEPING CARS

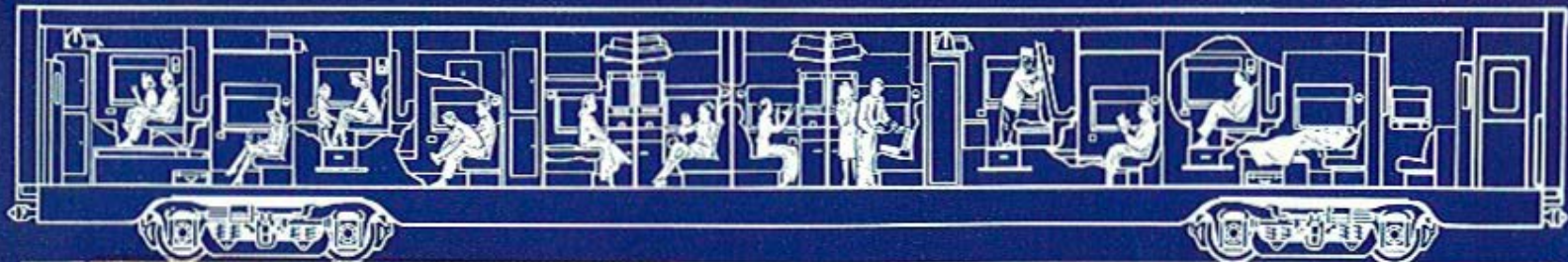
Each train in the EMPIRE BUILDER fleet offers a full variety of ultramodern, first class Pullman serviced sleeping car accommodations—open sections consisting of lower and upper berths, private, low-cost duplex roomettes for one adult each, double bedrooms for two, connecting double bedrooms for four persons, drawing rooms for three. Each type of accommodation is the result of extended, painstaking research to make it more comfortable, convenient and attractive for passengers.

A duplex roomette or bedroom provides privacy and quiet during both day and night—for the busy man with work to do en-route—for parents traveling with children—for those who wish to enjoy the always interesting and often spectacular scenery while completely relaxed. Or one can have meals served in restful seclusion. Whatever accommodations you choose you'll have your own large, clear vision window framing an ever-changing panorama.



Among the scenes that pass in review before the relaxed traveler's eyes, east of the Rockies, are broad, rolling agricultural lands—the Great Plains—tremendous grazing areas, and

rich oil fields. Along the Route of the Empire Builder one sees historical villages, towns and cities reflecting the prosperity of the region.



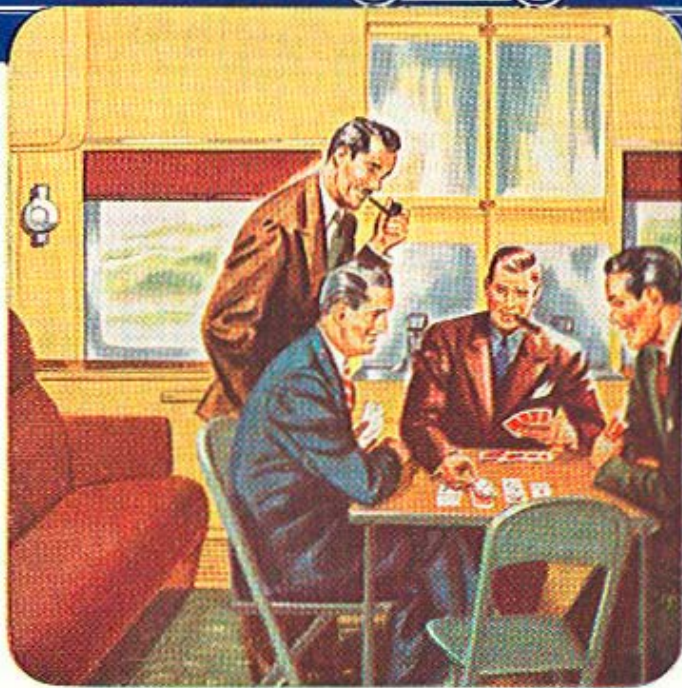
For Complete Privacy **AND COMFORT**

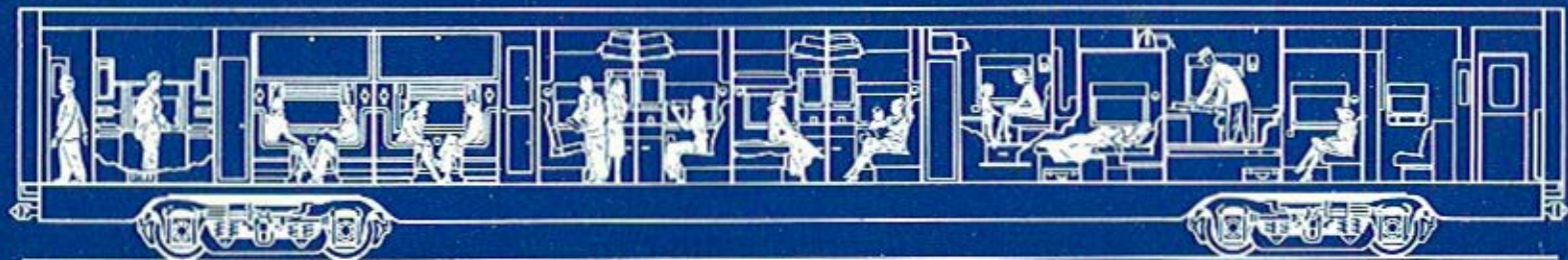
The EMPIRE BUILDER is the first train that provides travelers with this improved type of bedroom with many innovations. Individual bedrooms are so arranged that adjoining units may be opened to form a large, comfortable room by day for restful lounging, card playing or dining. Specially designed chairs and sofas afford utmost relaxation. And for extra convenience you'll like the improved toilet facilities, such as a fixed washstand which becomes a useful table when the tilt top is down.



A New Kind **OF BEDROOM**

Two sleeping cars have 16 duplex roomettes and 4 double bedrooms. Duplex roomettes have adjustable seats made extra comfortable by sponge rubber backs and cushions. In some of them the concealed bed is lowered from the wall. In others it rolls out of a hidden recess. Beds are extra long—6 feet 5 inches. Toilet facilities are concealed, including ice water on tap—individual control of air conditioning, heating and lighting. Wardrobes are enclosed and storage space is provided. All for only 10 per cent more than a standard lower berth.

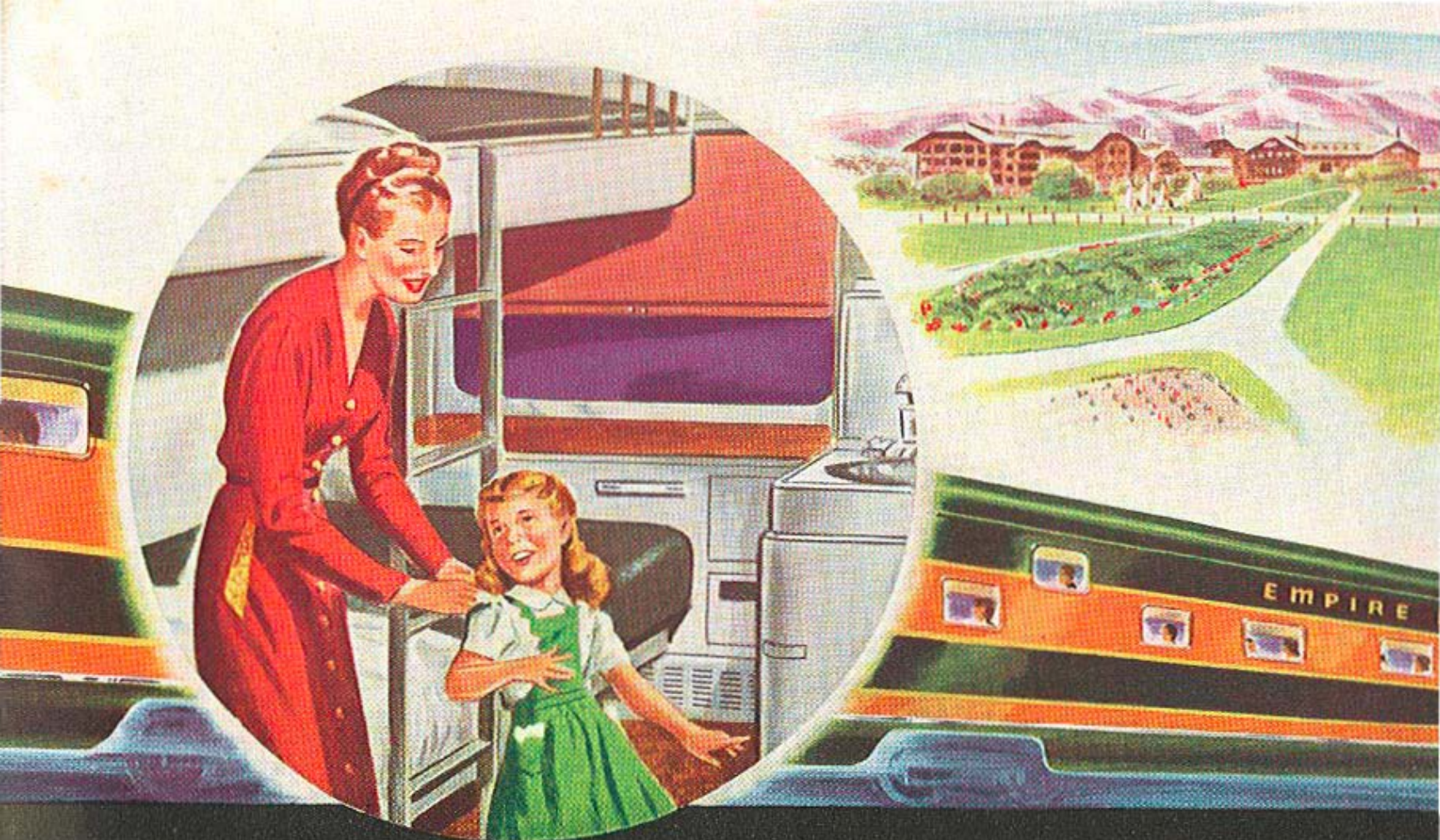




The Last Word IN SLEEPING COMFORT

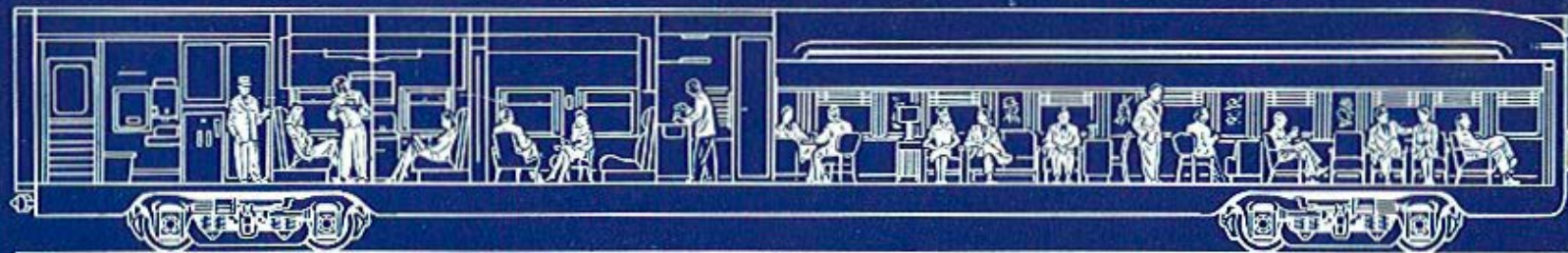
The bedrooms on the EMPIRE BUILDER, like all other sleeping accommodations, are built and furnished to give greater comfort and rest. All bedrooms are first class hotel rooms on wheels. The beds are the last word in full relaxation and sleeping comfort. One bed pulls down from above and the other is made up from the daytime sofa. The construction of the train itself is one important reason for your restful travel. New cushion-ride trucks and electrically controlled braking

make your ride smoother and induce unbroken sleep. Improved air conditioning and insulating control of temperature and sound go far in increasing travel enjoyment, too. Your room can be as cool or as warm as you want it to be. It is individually cooled and heated by your own conveniently located control. Even the double paned windows, with vacuum space between, add to room quietness and give fog proof panoramic view under all weather conditions.



Glacier National Park in Montana, 60 miles of it, is the only national park on the main line of a transcontinental railway. Adjoining it on the north is Canada's Waterton Lakes Park.

Both are open to train travelers from June 15 to September 15. Here is a wonderland of colorful mountains, glaciers, lakes, streams, waterfalls, and comfortable tourist facilities.



More Luxury **MORE COMFORT, MORE FUN**

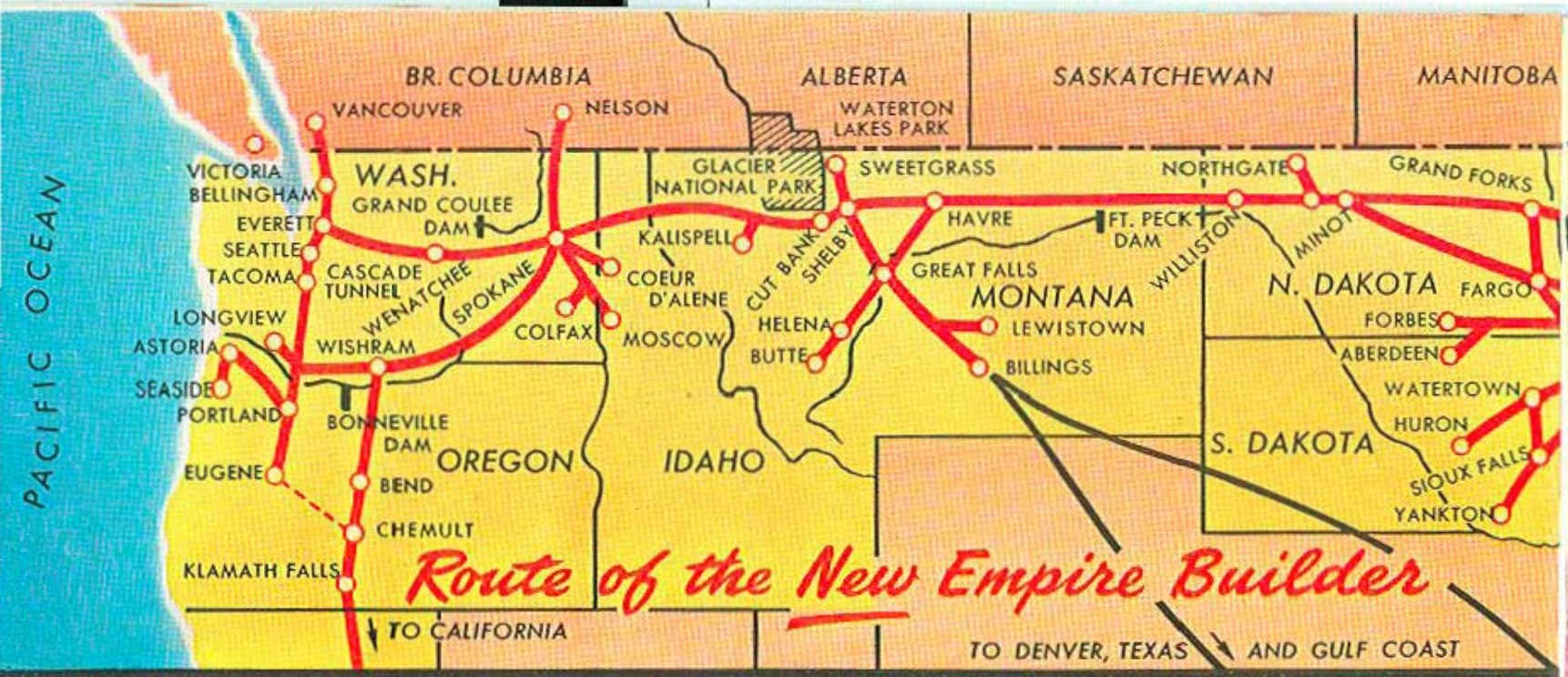
Artcraft designs of the Blackfeet Indians are used as the color theme of the observation-lounge car. Full color reproductions of Winold Reiss' famous paintings of Blackfeet braves are used to embellish the car's pier panels. Their dominant colors are repeated in furniture, fittings, curtains and carpets, creating an effect of startling beauty. A dramatic reproduction of a painting by the late Charlie Russell, celebrated artist of Montana, decorates the bulkhead.

In this delightful atmosphere you can visit with companions as you watch scenery through clear vision windows. You can read, chat, play cards or write letters at convenient desks. You can order refreshments from the car's well-stocked buffet. You'll enjoy every hour you spend in the EMPIRE BUILDER'S beautiful observation car, which provides lounging space for 27 passengers. A modern drawing room and two luxurious bedrooms are in the forward end of this de luxe car.



Between Glacier Park and Seattle and Portland—gateways to Alaska and the Orient—lies a region of incredible beauty of varied kinds, including mountain grandeur, great forests,

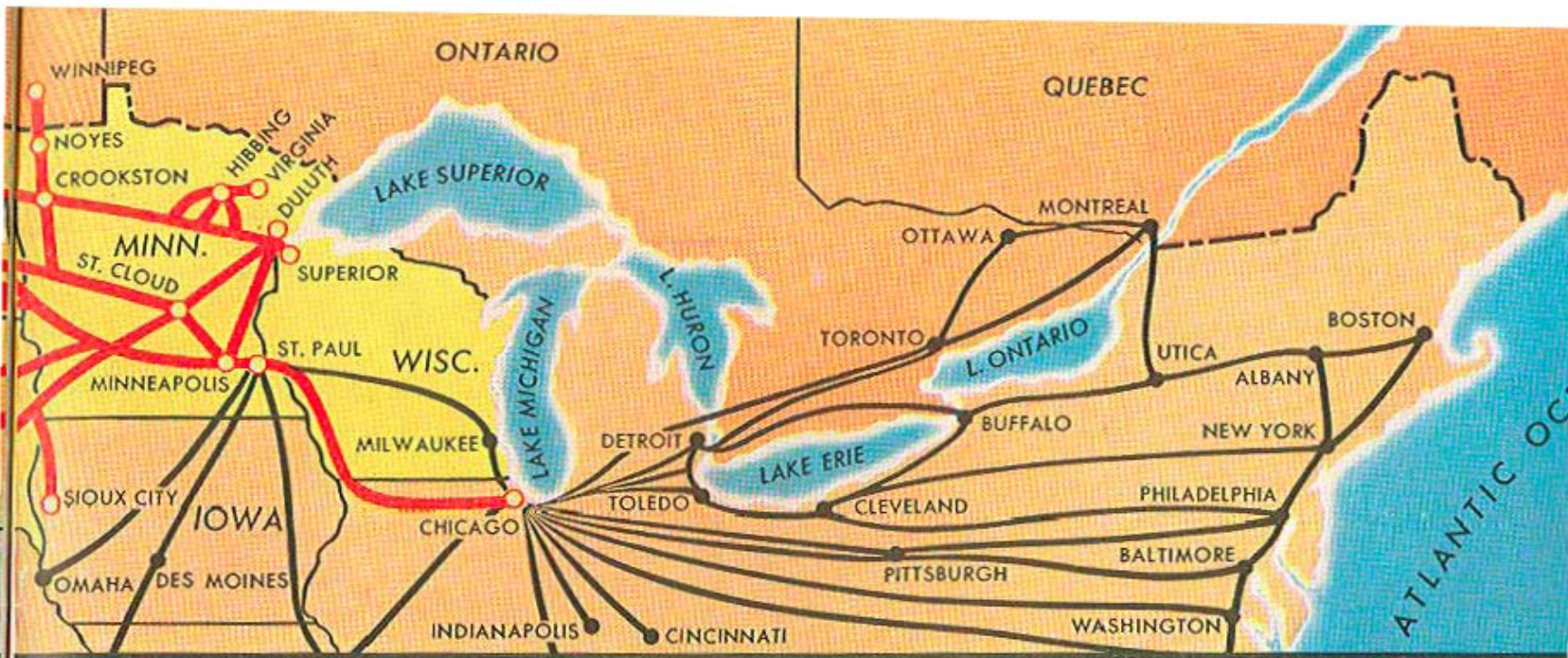
orchards, and vast grain fields. Here, too, you will find thriving cities and towns, vast power and irrigation projects, and commercial enterprises of many kinds.



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