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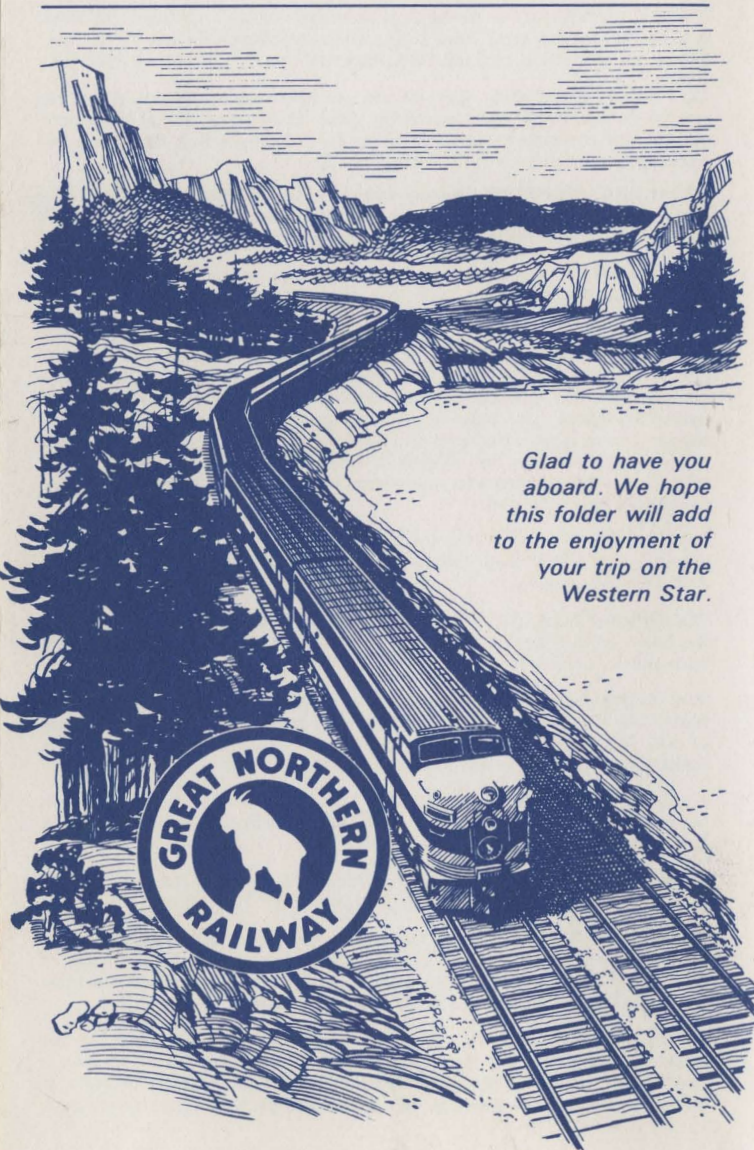
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WESTERN STAR  
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GUIDE

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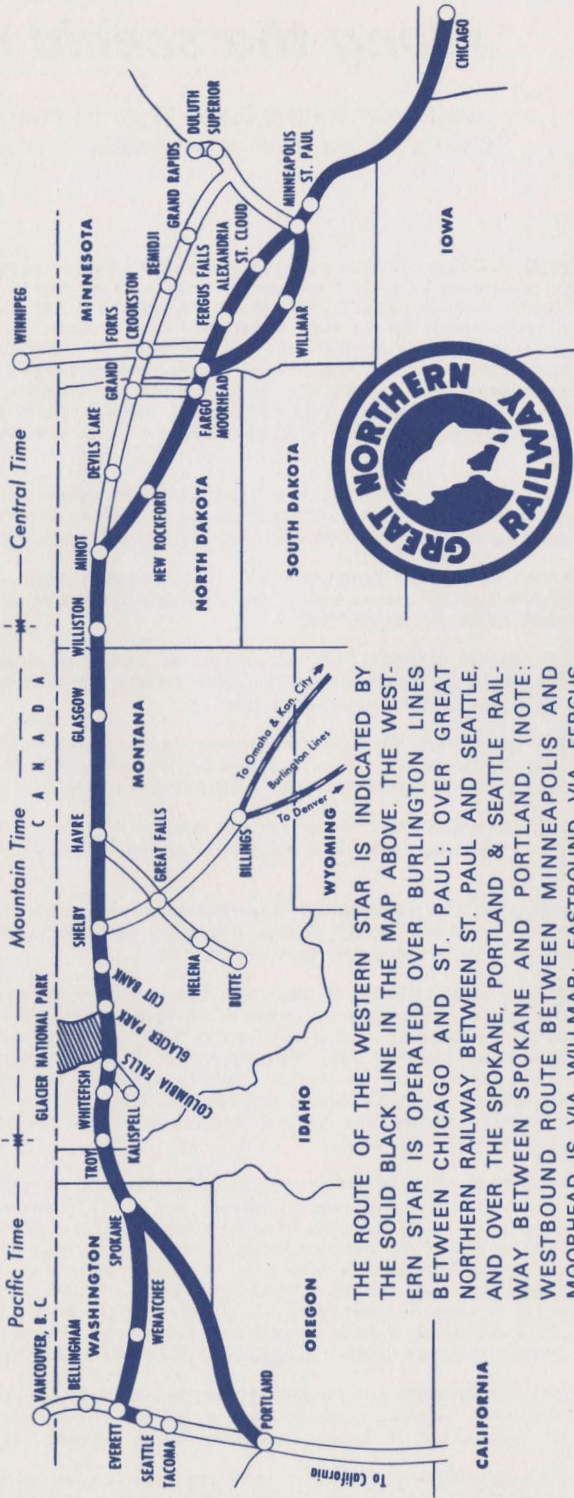
WESTERN STAR SCHEDULES

COMPLETE GREAT NORTHERN RAILWAY TIME TABLE FOLDER OBTAINABLE FROM PORTER

Westbound — Read Down		Read Up — Eastbound			
Miles	Western Star 47-27	Central Standard Time	Western Star 28-48	Zephyr No. 24	
<b>Burlington Route</b>					
0	10 30PM Lv	Chicago, Ill.	Ar 7 30AM	11 40PM	
38	11 09 " "	Aurora, Ill.	" 7 05	10 57	
83	11 52 " "	Rochelle, Ill.	" 5 52	10 15	
98	12 09AM " "	Oregon, Ill.	" 5 32	10 00	
145	1 12 " "	Savanna, Ill.	" 4 50	9 20	
184	2 14 " "	East Dubuque, Ill.	" 3 46	8 39	
239	3 16 " "	Prairie du Chien, Wis.	" 2 38	7 47	
297	4 09 " "	La Crosse, Wis.	" 1 47	6 58	
299	4 21 " "	North La Crosse, Wis.	" 1 35	6 51	
326	4 47 " "	Winona Jct., Wis.	" 1 04AM	6 22	
427	6 55 Ar	St. Paul, Minn.	Lv 11 15PM	5 00	
<b>Great Northern Railway</b>					
0	9 30AM Lv	St. Paul, Minn.	Ar 3 30	4 55PM	
11	9 55 " "	Minneapolis, Minn.	Lv 3 00	4 30PM	
11	10 05 " "	Minneapolis, Minn.	Ar 2 50		
24	10 23 " "	Wayzata, Minn.			
76	11 10 " "	Litchfield, Minn.			
102	11 45 Ar	Willmar, Minn.			
102	11 50 Lv	Willmar, Minn.			
133	12 20PM " "	Benson, Minn.			
158	12 48 " "	Morris, Minn.			
215	1 45 " "	Breckenridge, Minn.			
215	1 50 Lv	Breckenridge, Minn.			
216	1 53 Lv	Wahpeton, N. D.			
		St. Cloud, Minn.	Lv 1 28PM		
		St. Cloud, Minn.	Ar 1 25		
		Sauk Centre, Minn.	Lv 12 45		
		Alexandria, Minn.	Lv 12 13		
		Fergus Falls, Minn.	Lv 11 18AM		
		Barnesville, Minn.	Lv 10 44		
261	2 38 Lv	Moorhead, Minn.	Lv 10 15		
262	2 40 Ar	Fargo, N. D.	Lv 10 12		
262	2 55 Lv	Fargo, N. D.	Ar 10 02		
334	4 15 " "	Hanna, N. D.	Lv 8 54		
	5 03 Ar	New Rockford, N. D.	Lv 8 07		
386	5 10 Lv	New Rockford, N. D.	Ar 8 00		
495	6 45 Ar	Minot, N. D.	Lv 6 15		
495	7 01 Lv	Minot, N. D.	Ar 6 00		
548	8 10 " "	Stanley, N. D.	Lv 4 50		
576	8 38 " "	Tioga, N. D.	Lv 4 20		
615	9 25 Ar	Williston, N. D.	Lv 3 30AM		
<b>Mountain Standard Time</b>					
615	8 45PM Lv	Williston, N. D.	Ar 2 20		
657	9 46 " "	Culbertson, Mont.	Lv 1 21		
700	10 22 " "	Poplar, Mont.	Lv 12 44		
721	10 57 " "	Wolf Point, Mont.	Lv 12 21AM		
771	11 55 " "	Glasgow, Mont.	Lv 11 28PM		
797	12 27AM " "	Hinsdale, Mont.	Lv 10 46		
810	12 40 " "	Saco, Mont.	Lv 10 32		
837	1 10 " "	Malta, Mont.	Lv 10 05		
881	1 55 " "	Harlem, Mont.	Lv 9 19		
902	2 20 Lv	Chinook, Mont.	Ar 8 59		
924	2 55 Ar	Havre, Mont.	Lv 8 35		
	6 20AM Ar	Great Falls, Mont.	Lv 5 10PM		
924	3 15 Lv	Havre, Mont.	Ar 8 15		
1029	5 01 Ar	Shelby, Mont.	Lv 6 35		
1029	5 16 Lv	Shelby, Mont.	Ar 6 28		
1053	5 45 Ar	Cut Bank, Mont.	Lv 6 00		
	5 50 Lv	Cut Bank, Mont.	Ar 5 55		
1086	6 30 " "	Browning, Mont.	Lv 5 12		
1100	6 55 " "	Glacier Park, Mont.	Lv 4 47		
1156	8 40 " "	Belton, Mont.	Lv 2 55		
1171	9 08 Lv	Columbia Falls, Mont.	Lv 2 30		
1179	9 20 Ar	Whitefish, Mont.	Lv 2 15		
1179	9 30 Lv	Whitefish, Mont.	Ar 2 06		
1231	10 44 " "	Eureka, Mont.	Lv 12 48		
1240	10 55 " "	Rexford, Mont.	Lv 12 35PM		
1295	11 58 Lv	Libby, Mont.	Lv 11 32AM		
1314	12 20PM Ar	Troy, Mont.	Lv 11 05		
<b>Pacific Standard Time</b>					
1314	11 25AM Lv	Troy, Mont.	Ar 10 00AM		
1345	12 14PM " "	Bonniers Ferry, Idaho	Lv 9 09		
1379	1 00 " "	Sandpoint, Idaho	Lv 8 31		
1400	1 25 " "	Prest River, Idaho	Lv 8 02		
1407	1 39 Lv	Newport, Wash.	Lv 7 52		
1453	2 45 Ar	Spokane, Wash.	Lv 6 45		
1453	3 30 Lv	Spokane, Wash.	Ar 6 15		
1575	5 44 " "	Epworth, Wash.	Lv 3 55		
1591	6 02 " "	Quincy, Wash.	Lv 3 30		
1627	6 50 Ar	Wenatchee, Wash.	Lv 2 40		
1627	7 05 Lv	Wenatchee, Wash.	Ar 2 20		
1698	9 05 Lv	Skykomish, Wash.	Lv 12 23AM		
1750	10 15 Ar	Everett, Wash.	Lv 11 15PM		
1750	10 27 Lv	Everett, Wash.	Ar 11 00		
1765	10 53 Lv	Edmonds, Wash.	Lv 10 38		
1783	11 30PM Ar	Seattle, Wash.	Lv 10 00PM		
		Tacoma, Wash.	Lv 8 18PM		
<b>SERVICE BETWEEN SPOKANE AND PORTLAND</b>					
<b>Spokane, Portland &amp; Seattle Railway</b>					
0	9 40PM Lv	Spokane, Wash.	Ar 5 45AM		
370	5 05AM Ar	Vancouver, Wash.	Lv 10 10PM		
380	5 45AM Ar	Portland, Ore.	Lv 9 45PM		

1—Conditional stops. Information may be obtained from Conductor.  
F—Flag Stop for revenue passengers. Schedules subject to change without notice.

ACROSS THE SCENIC TOP OF THE NATION



THE ROUTE OF THE WESTERN STAR IS INDICATED BY THE SOLID BLACK LINE IN THE MAP ABOVE. THE WESTERN STAR IS OPERATED OVER BURLINGTON LINES BETWEEN CHICAGO AND ST. PAUL; OVER GREAT NORTHERN RAILWAY BETWEEN ST. PAUL AND SEATTLE, AND OVER THE SPOKANE, PORTLAND & SEATTLE RAILWAY BETWEEN SPOKANE AND PORTLAND. (NOTE: WESTBOUND ROUTE BETWEEN MINNEAPOLIS AND MOORHEAD IS VIA WILLMAR; EASTBOUND VIA FERUS FALLS, ALEXANDRIA AND ST. CLOUD.)



# Along the scenic route of the Western Star

Listed below, reading East to West, are most of the regular stops (except where noted) of the Western Star. Other stops are made in accordance with conditions stated in Great Northern's system timetable folder.

**CHICAGO, ILLINOIS** The city that recovered from an Indian massacre in 1812, a devastating fire in 1871, and reversed the flow of the river for which it was named. Now the nation's second largest city and No. 1 transportation center. World-famous for its huge stockyards, packing plants, grain exchanges, steel mills and Merchandise Mart. Its miles of Lake Michigan shoreline, scenic boulevards, beautiful parks, fine hotels and shops make Chicago a notably charming city. Rich in cultural and entertainment activities. (Between Chicago and St. Paul the Western Star is operated by the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy Railroad.) *Population 3,550,404; Altitude 595 feet.*

**AURORA, ILLINOIS** Everything from razor blades to road scrapers is manufactured in this industrial metropolis on the Fox River. Retail shops attract trading area of over 175,000. *Population 63,715; Altitude 650 feet.*

**SAVANNA, ILLINOIS** Situated in old Indian territory. Famous for spectacularly beautiful palisades along the Mississippi River north of here. *Population 4,950; Altitude 594 feet.*

**EAST DUBUQUE, ILLINOIS** Magnificent palisade scenery south of here. Direct bus service to Dubuque, Iowa (population 56,606) across Mississippi River. *Population 2,082; Altitude 613 feet.*

**PRAIRIE DU CHIEN, WISCONSIN** Strategic military post in War of 1812. Famous historic home, Villa Louis, built by Colonel Dousman in 1843, attracts thousands of visitors. *Population 5,649; Altitude 642 feet.*

**LA CROSSE, WISCONSIN** Industrial and agricultural center. Home of Winesheik Bottoms, fresh water aquarium. *Population 47,575; Altitude 663 feet.*

**WINONA JUNCTION, WISCONSIN** Direct bus connections here to Winona, Minnesota (population 24,895), across Mississippi River. Watch for tall "Sugar Loaf" rock formation near there. *Altitude 659 feet.*

**SAINT PAUL, MINNESOTA** In little more than a century, it has grown from a pioneer-day Indian campsite to one of the leading metropolitan communities in the Midwest. Capital and second largest city in Minnesota; beautifully situated on the upper Mississippi River. A great transportation center; headquarters of Great Northern Railway. A hub of diversified industry; a summer and winter playground, with 583 lakes within a 50-mile radius. Its annual Winter Carnival is the "Mardi Gras" of the North. *Population 313,411; Altitude 724 feet.*

**MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA** Twin City to St. Paul. Largest city in the state, it is the manufacturing, trade and financial hub of the Upper Midwest. Famed for its flour mills along the Mississippi River at historic St. Anthony Falls, and as one of the world's principal grain centers. Eleven sparkling lakes within the city limits provide beautiful residential settings, natural year-around recreation facilities. Aquatennial summer sports festival is annual civic highlight attracting nationwide attention. Among the city's many fine cultural and educational institutions is the University of Minnesota, with an enrollment exceeding 40,000. *Population 482,872; Altitude 815 feet.*

**WILLMAR, MINNESOTA** (Westbound only, see map) Railroad center, important link in westward march of James J. Hill, the Empire Builder and founder of Great Northern Railway. *Population 10,417; Altitude 1,134 feet.*

**BENSON, MINNESOTA** (Westbound only, see map) County seat of Swift County, on the Chippewa River. Important dairy product and agricultural center, known as the "Grass Seed City". *Population 3,678; Altitude 1,050 feet.*

**MORRIS, MINNESOTA** (Westbound only, see map) Strategic location at junction of three major highways and two railroads makes it an important shipping center for its rich, diversified farming region. *Population 4,199; Altitude 1,140 feet.*

**BRECKENRIDGE, MINNESOTA** (Westbound only, see map) Leading shipping center for products from fertile Red River Valley. *Population 4,335; Altitude 966 feet.*

**SAINT CLOUD, MINNESOTA** (Eastbound only, see map) Seat of Minnesota's foremost butter producing county, this bustling city on the Upper Mississippi is also a manufacturing center and principal producer of beautiful granites. Minnesota's largest State College and the State Reformatory for Men are located here. *Population 33,815; Altitude 1,043 feet.*

**SAUK CENTRE, MINNESOTA** (Eastbound only, see map) The "Main Street" of Sinclair Lewis' novel. Large farm and dairy center. *Population 3,573; Altitude 1,254 feet.*

**ALEXANDRIA, MINNESOTA** (Eastbound only, see map) Although mainly an agricultural trading center, this community is widely known as a lake and resort area. The famed and controversial Kensington Runestone was discovered near here in 1898. *Population 6,713; Altitude 1,390 feet.*

**FERGUS FALLS, MINNESOTA** (Eastbound only, see map) Situated on the Ottertail River, this manufacturing and milling community boasts the largest co-operative creamery in the Northwest. It is also headquarters for an important electric power producer. *Population 13,733; Altitude 1,196 feet.*

**BARNESVILLE, MINNESOTA** (Eastbound only, see map) At the southern tip of the Red River Valley. Potatoes are principal cash crop. *Population 1,632; Altitude 1,026 feet.*

**MOORHEAD, MINNESOTA** Moorhead and its cross-river twin, Fargo, are the hub of a vast agricultural empire. Located here is one of the world's largest beet sugar refineries under one roof. Huge potato and onion crops are grown in area. Site of Concordia College and Moorhead State College. *Population 22,934; Altitude 907 feet.*

**FARGO, NORTH DAKOTA** State's largest city and the leading retail and wholesale center in the fertile Red River Valley. Also an important livestock center. Named after William G. Fargo of Wells-Fargo Express, the city is the home of North Dakota State College. *Population 46,662; Altitude 908 feet.*

**NEW ROCKFORD, NORTH DAKOTA** Missouri Basin affords irrigation in this area. Hunting paradise abounding in grouse, ducks, pheasant and partridge. *Population 2,177; Altitude 1,533 feet.*

**MINOT, NORTH DAKOTA** State's third largest city, situated in rich agricultural, livestock, oil and lignite coal area. Named for Henry D. Minot, pioneer railroad man. Site of Great Northern's Gavin Yard, \$6,500,000 electronic freight classification center. In Roosevelt Park, Minot has one of the Midwest's finest zoos. Garrison Dam is 50 miles south on the Missouri River. *Population 30,604; Altitude 1,560 feet.*

**STANLEY, NORTH DAKOTA** In a fertile agricultural and dairying area with rapidly increasing production of oil and lignite coal. *Population 1,795; Altitude 2,254 feet.*

**TIOGA, NORTH DAKOTA** With about 1200 producing wells in a 50-mile north and south radius, many firms serving the Williston Basin oil industry headquarter here. Tioga is an Indian name meaning "Peaceful Valley". *Population 2,087; Altitude 2,241 feet.*

**WILLISTON, NORTH DAKOTA** Booming oil town, hub of Williston Basin's hundreds of oil wells. Wheat marketing, salt mining and manufacturing center. Chief Sitting Bull surrendered at Old Fort Buford near here. Roughly half way between Chicago and Seattle. Set watches for time change between Central and Mountain zones. *Population 11,866; Altitude 1,861 feet.*

**WOLF POINT, MONTANA** Several major oil companies' service units for nearby Williston Oil Basin are located here. Borders Fort Peck Indian Reservation, where Chief Sitting Bull lived after the Custer Massacre. *Population 3,585; Altitude 2,004 feet.*

**GLASGOW, MONTANA** A thriving community near Fort Peck Dam. World's largest earthfill dam, it forms a reservoir with a shoreline longer than California's. Nearby Milk River Irrigation Project has added 150,000 acres of farm lands. *Population 6,398; Altitude 2,095 feet.*

**HAVRE, MONTANA** Typical western town, scene of a famous annual rodeo. Important distributing point for wheat, cattle and sheep. Great Northern diesel shops located here. Westbound connection to Great Falls. *Population 10,740; Altitude 2,485 feet.*

**SHELBY, MONTANA** In the heart of Montana's vast oil-rich area. Oil fields to north, south and west have total annual production valued in millions. Eastbound connection to Great Falls. *Population 4,017; Altitude 3,283 feet.*

**CUT BANK, MONTANA** Rich oil and gas field country, source of natural gas for Helena, Butte and neighboring cities. Meriwether Lewis Monument west of here is visible to the south. First views of the Rockies for westbound passengers. *Population 4,539; Altitude 3,753.*

**BROWNING, MONTANA** Headquarters for the 1,525,000 acre Blackfoot Indian Reservation adjoining Glacier National Park. Tribal history is preserved in its Museum of the Plains Indian. *Population 2,011; Altitude 4,466 feet.*

**GLACIER PARK, MONTANA\*** Eastern entrance to Glacier National Park. The Western Star stops daily mid-June to mid-September. *Population 350; Altitude 4,806 feet.*

**GLACIER NATIONAL PARK** A million acres of unspoiled wilderness, high in Montana's Rockies. Glorious scenery preserved today just as ancient glaciers created it. Thousands of well-marked trails, open-top motor coaches, guided horseback rides make exploration easy for vacationers. Fine hotels, superb food at reasonable rates. Glacier Park Lodge has sporty golf course, new heated swimming pool. Glacier is the only national park directly served by a railway. Ask conductor for information on special one, two and three-day stopover tours of the park.

**BELTON, MONTANA\*** Western entrance to Glacier National Park. The Western Star stops daily mid-June to mid-September. *Population 300; Altitude 3,220 feet.*

**COLUMBIA FALLS, MONTANA** This lumber and agricultural hub is also the home of Montana's only aluminum producing plant which can be seen from train to the north. *Population 2,132; Altitude 3,095 feet.*

**WHITEFISH, MONTANA** Situated in a beautiful year-round resort area at foot of The Big Mountain, one of the nation's finest ski areas (four-time site of U.S. National Championships). New ski tow converts to chair-lift for thrilling summer sight-seeing. *Population 2,965; Altitude 3,040 feet.*

**EUREKA, MONTANA** Located on the Tobacco River in a productive grain, lumber and berry area. Claimant to title of "Christmas Tree Capital of the World". *Population 1,229; Altitude 2,571 feet.*

**LIBBY, MONTANA** World's largest vermiculite mine is nearby. A major lumber production center. *Population 2,828; Altitude 2,069 feet.*

**TROY, MONTANA** Extensive logging operations in the heavily forested land east of here include huge stands of Christmas trees. Silver mining in the Cabinet Mountains. Set watches here for time change between Mountain and Pacific zones. *Population 855; Altitude 1,892 feet.*

**SPOKANE, WASHINGTON** State's second largest city; situated on the Spokane River. Rail and transportation hub of the vast Inland Empire, a domain rich in diversified natural resources. Here are millions of acres of grain and orchards, extensive timber lands, abundant minerals, tremendous

water power. Grand Coulee Dam, 95 miles northwest, is a delightful day's side trip by bus or car. Two of nation's largest aluminum plants are located here. Gateway to glorious mountain vacation areas. Transfer point for Great Northern cars to and from Portland via Spokane, Portland and Seattle Railway. *Population 181,608; Altitude 1,876 feet.*

**EPHRATA, WASHINGTON** Headquarters of the Columbia Basin Irrigation Project, which is designed to reclaim over a million acres of fertile land and convert it into 12,000 to 15,000 farm units averaging 65 to 85 acres each. *Population 6,548; Altitude 1,276 feet.*

**WENATCHEE, WASHINGTON** City of orchards and flowers, "Apple Capital of the World". Over 15% of the nation's apple crop, plus many other fruits grown here. Beautiful Ohme Gardens attract many visitors. A huge aluminum plant is near Rock Island Dam on the Columbia River. Also nearby, on the Columbia, construction is underway on the Rocky Reach hydro-electric project. *Population 16,726; Altitude 648 feet.*

**SKYKOMISH, WASHINGTON\*** Located in the foothills of the main range of the Cascade Mountains, within easy viewing distance of several rugged snow-capped peaks. *Population 366; Altitude 933 feet.*

**EVERETT, WASHINGTON** Picturesque Puget Sound port city, with fine deep harbor less than 100 miles from the Pacific Ocean, via the Strait of Juan de Fuca. A great commercial fishing center; an area equally famed for its varied vacation activities. Immense nearby forests supply thriving lumber, paper and pulp industries here. Great Northern coastal lines extend north to Bellingham, Washington and Vancouver, British Columbia. *Population 40,304; Altitude 39 feet.*

**EDMONDS, WASHINGTON\*** Suburb of Seattle situated on beautiful Puget Sound, 17 miles north of downtown district. Here Great Northern maintains a suburban station, with spacious parking area, which saves miles of city driving for patrons to and from north Seattle and surrounding communities. Terminal point for ferries to and from the Olympic Peninsula. *Population 8,016; Altitude 9 feet.*

**SEATTLE, WASHINGTON** Queen city of the Pacific Northwest, beautifully situated on hills dipping down to fresh-water Lake Washington and salt-water Puget Sound. Site of the 1962 World's Fair, with towering Space Needle, Monorail and space science center remaining for visitor interest. A famous seaport, with huge docks that accommodate ocean-going vessels to and from the Orient, Alaska—practically every maritime nation in the world. A prominent aircraft and shipbuilding center; important fishing and lumber port. Home of the University of Washington, the city is also a popular vacation area, encircled by magnificent mountain playgrounds. Outstanding summer attraction is famous Seattle Seafair. *Population 557,087; Altitude 15 feet.*

## On route between Spokane and Portland:

**PASCO, WASHINGTON** Hanford Atomic Works north of here. *Population 14,522; Altitude 358 feet.*

**WISHRAM, WASHINGTON** *Population 750; Altitude 172 feet.*

**BINGEN-WHITE SALMON, WASHINGTON** *Population 2,226; Altitude 101 feet.*

**STEVENSON, WASHINGTON** *Population 927; Altitude 98 feet.*

**VANCOUVER, WASHINGTON** *Population 32,464; Altitude 46 feet.*

**PORTLAND, OREGON** Third largest port on the Pacific Coast, Portland is some 50 miles inland, linked to the ocean by the Willamette and Columbia Rivers. A prominent distribution center for lumber, wheat, wool and a host of agricultural products; a city of scenic delights. It is the gateway to perennially snow-capped Mount Hood, the spectacular Columbia River Gorge, Bonneville Dam and countless unusual sights. Known as the "Rose City" because of its acres of beautiful roses. *Population 372,676; Altitude 32 feet.*

\* Conditional stop—see timetable or consult your conductor for explanation. Population figures from 1960 Federal Census.