The COLUMBINE
FLOWER OF TRAVEL COMFORT

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The Overland Route
HERE are trains and trains. Some are just another means of going somewhere. Others are a joy to look upon, a delight to ride.

In this last class comes the Columbine, the latest word in trains. In its name lies the whole secret. Colorado's state flower is the dainty blue-and-white columbine. A train named for it must be beautiful to be worthy of its namesake. Throughout, the Columbine is the spirit of Colorado. Its decorative motif comes from the flower—combined with the state crest of Colorado. From nickel-trimmed locomotive to blue-silver-and-gold observation car, representing the state flag of Colorado bearing the state crest, it breathes the beauty of a great state. Read in the pages that follow a more detailed description of Colorado's own train between Denver, Omaha and Chicago.
When you select a restaurant, three things usually govern your choice—food, service and surroundings. The dining car service on the Columbine has been created with all three in mind. The choicest Colorado products are on the menu, prepared by skilled chefs. The waiters have been especially selected from among the best of the dining car staff.

The dining car itself is a symphony in warm blue, with walls trimmed in gold and brown and decorated in Columbine designs. Four beautiful paintings of Colorado scenes hang on the walls.
The observation car is the heart of a train. It is only fitting that the sun parlor observation cars on the Columbine should be the first of a new design, roomier, more beautiful.

The exterior is painted in broad bars of silver and blue, striped with gold—the colors of the state flag of Colorado. Within are three lounges. First, at the rear, comes the sun parlor, with high, wide windows and cheery sunroom furniture. Forward of the sun parlor are two parlor lounges. Their furniture is of ebony, upholstered in colorful mohair and especially created for the Columbine by one of America's foremost furniture designers.
Flower of Travel Comfort

There's an air of cheer and informality about these lounges. Instead of the usual doors, they are separated by portieres, hung between partitions of hand-etched glass. Above the radio in the forward lounge hangs an illuminated painting of Colorado scenery—an other reminder that this train represents Colorado.

**RADIO** fans who ride the Columbine will be especially interested in the 8-tube radio that stands in the forward lounge. There is also a phonographic attachment and a stock of records for use when desired.
Soda Fountain-Buffet

Just forward of the parlor lounges the observation car porter holds forth in a spick and span soda fountain, complete in every detail. A touch of the bell brings you a choice of ice creams, of mixed and bottled soft drinks.

This same porter also sells cigars and cigarettes—and if a bridge game is in order he has playing cards for sale.
ARE YOU coming out of the back country of the Rockies with two or three weeks' beard? Or have you caught the Columbine with no time to spare for a visit to your favorite barber? There's a complete barber shop forward in the observation car, operated by a barber who knows all the fine points of service to both men and women, and his prices are no higher than in any city shop. He is also apt to have your favorite tooth paste or antiseptic for sale on his shelves.
CLOTHES handed to the porter at night are returned early in the morning, and you start the day immaculate. The valet’s prices are no higher than those found in city shops.
OFF THE barber shop is a bath with an exceptionally large dressing room, a combination tub and shower (piping hot, ice cold, or just the degree you prefer) and a large clothes locker. You may arrange with the barber for its use.
OF COURSE, you'll expect to find nothing but the finest, latest-type Pullmans on the Columbine. You'll not be disappointed. Large dressing rooms with porcelain fittings, ceiling-length head boards between sections, compartment and drawing rooms en suite, and a harmonious color scheme of interior decoration make each Pullman a fitting complement to the train.

Each Pullman is named for a Colorado flower or tree, and on its walls hangs a framed picture of its namesake.
THE coaches on the Columbine have deep-cushioned individual seats of blue plush, a harmonious interior color scheme, semi-indirect lighting fixtures of white porcelain and roomy smoking compartments with porcelain fittings—all of which have made the Columbine day coach beautiful and comfortable.
Car Floor Plans on The Columbine
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THE Columbine is the standard-bearer of the Overland Route's fleet of trains between Denver, Omaha and Chicago. Next in importance comes the Mountain Bluebird, named for the beautiful and popular bird of Colorado. On this train are some of the comforts and extra conveniences formerly found only on the Columbine—Limousine Lounge car, modern Pullmans, deep-upholstered coaches. An especially convenient train for those who wish to leave Denver or Chicago late at night, arriving in the other city early the second morning.

EACH year, to accommodate the increasing tide of summer travel to the Colorado Rockies, the Overland Route inaugurates a summer train between Denver, Omaha and Chicago, the third member of the Columbine fleet.
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A dash of the azure of mountain skies;
The white of eternal snow;
A tinge of the hidden gold that lies
Where crystal rivers flow:

The delicate scent of a lovely dream;
The green of the stately pine;
A verse in a song of thrilling theme
Is the mountain Columbine!

—A. De Bernardi, Jr.