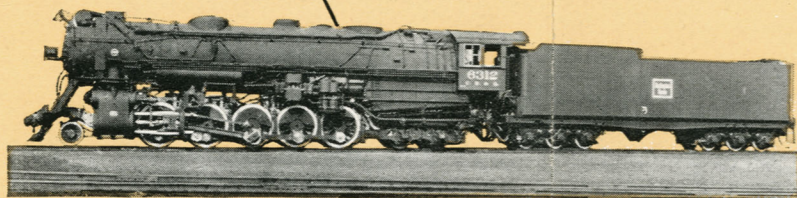


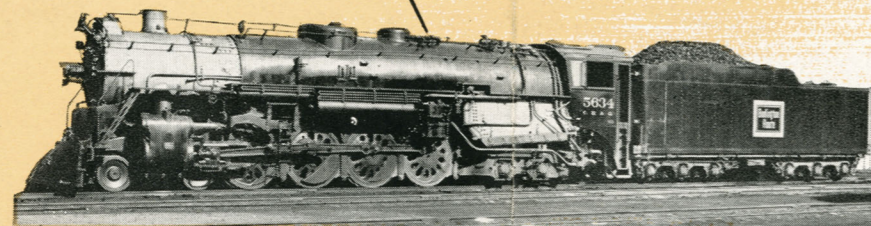
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## BURLINGTON MOTIVE POWER

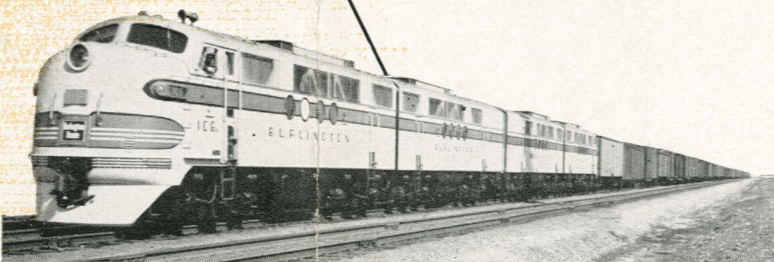
Illustrated below are some of the types of motive power used to pull Burlington freight and passenger trains.



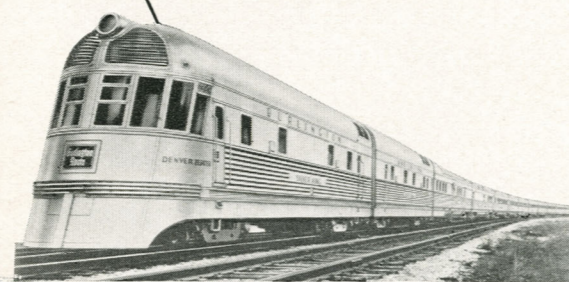
*Colorado type freight locomotive.*



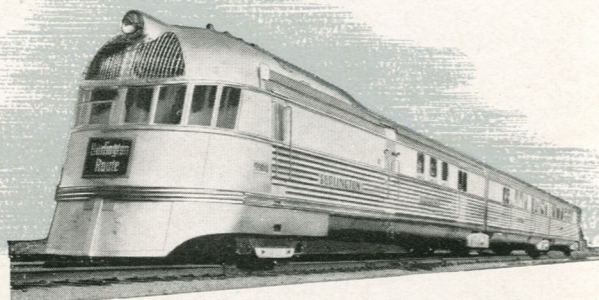
*Northern type, for heavy passenger or freight service.*



*Four-unit diesel locomotive used in freight service.*

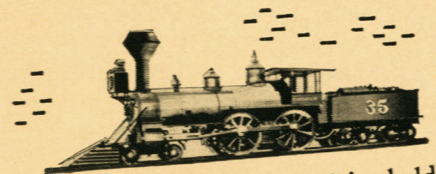


*All of the Burlington Zephyrs are diesel powered.*



*The Pioneer Zephyr.*

The Pioneer Zephyr, America's first diesel-powered streamlined train. May 26, 1934 made non-stop run Denver to Chicago, 1,017 miles in 13 hrs. 5 min. (77.6 M.P.H.) to reopen Century of Progress Exposition. Was first train to California through the 6-mile Moffat Tunnel in Colorado Rockies. Appearing in "Wheels A-Rolling" Pageant at Chicago Railroad Fair.



## CHICAGO RAILROAD FAIR

One of the outstanding events of 1948 is the Chicago Railroad Fair, held July 20 through Labor Day along the shore of Lake Michigan on a part of the former site of Chicago's Century of Progress Exposition.

It was one hundred years ago that the first railroad train departed from Chicago, and the Fair fittingly marks the progress that has taken place in the intervening century.

The central feature is a dramatic pageant, presented several times daily on a huge 450-ft. outdoor stage, illustrating the part played by the railroads in the history and development of our country. Participating is a cast of several hundred fully-costumed actors; railroad equipment, old and new; music; colorful lighting;

VISIT THE CHICAGO RAILROAD FAIR—JULY 20 THROUGH LABOR DAY

## BURLINGTON FREIGHT SERVICE

An extensive improvement program has been under way for several years resulting in greatly improved service to our freight shippers.

Dieselization has materially increased the efficiency of Burlington's fleet of freight trains. Centralized Traffic Control helps speed shipments on their way. Two-way radio in freight yards and on trains saves many hours each day. Burlington hump yards at strategic locations permit sorting of loaded cars quickly and effectively. Modern shops and experienced person-

nel keep equipment in top condition. Thousands of new freight cars are under construction or have been received and put in service.

It has been possible, as a result of these extensive improvements, to not only handle a greatly increased freight volume but to do so on much faster schedules.

Through its 22 principal gateways and more than 200 interchange points the Burlington serves as an essential link between railroads from the East, West, North and South.

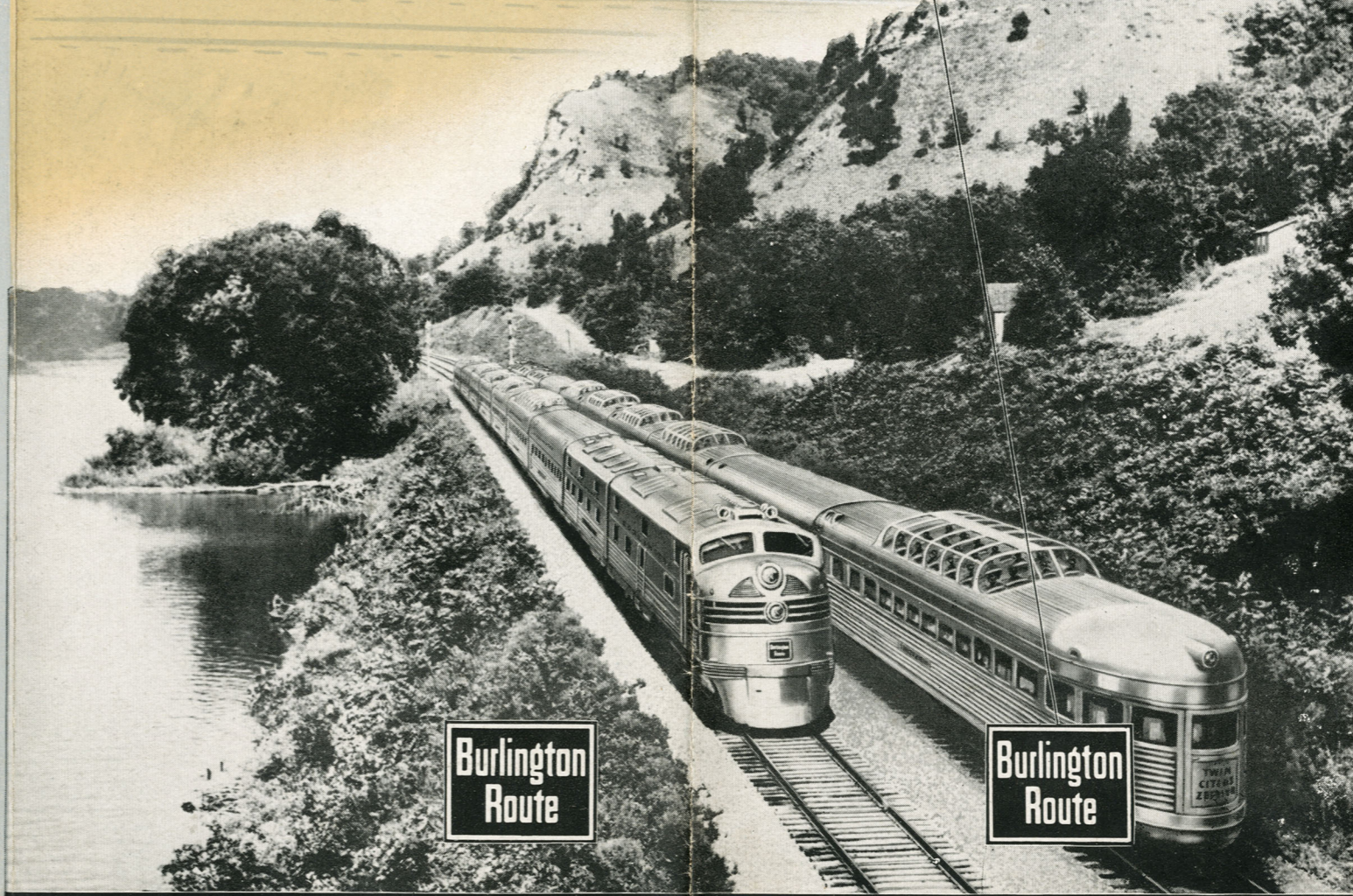
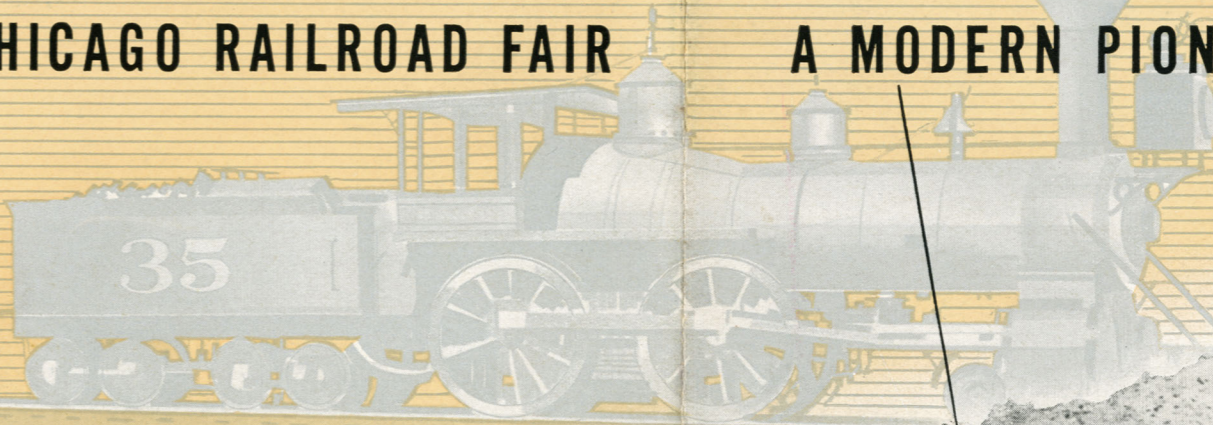
and all the arts of the drama. Spectacular fireworks at night!

Throughout the grounds many interesting, educational, and diversified exhibits portray the customs and attractions of various parts of the country. Of especial interest is the joint Burlington-Great Northern-Northern Pacific exhibit. It features a continuous western rodeo performance, a functioning replica of Old Faithful Geyser, gigantic caricatures of western animals and characters, and a log chalet containing dioramas of the scenic beauties of the Colorado Rockies, Yellowstone and Glacier National Parks, the Pacific Northwest and Alaska.

A narrow-gauge train of early-day Burlington equipment provides transportation within the grounds. Old-time railroad equipment and some of the finest and most up-to-date passenger trains are on display for all to see.

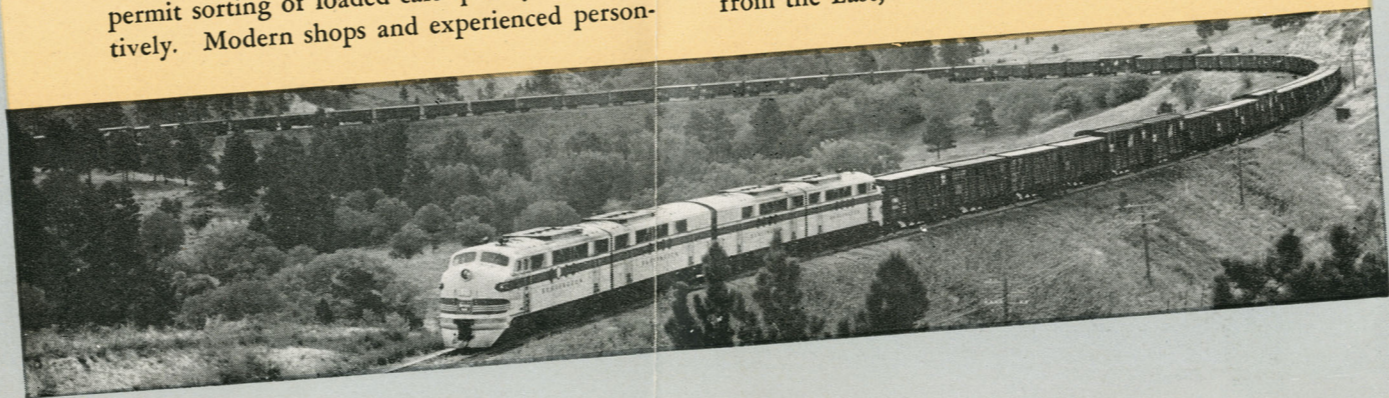
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CHICAGO RAILROAD FAIR

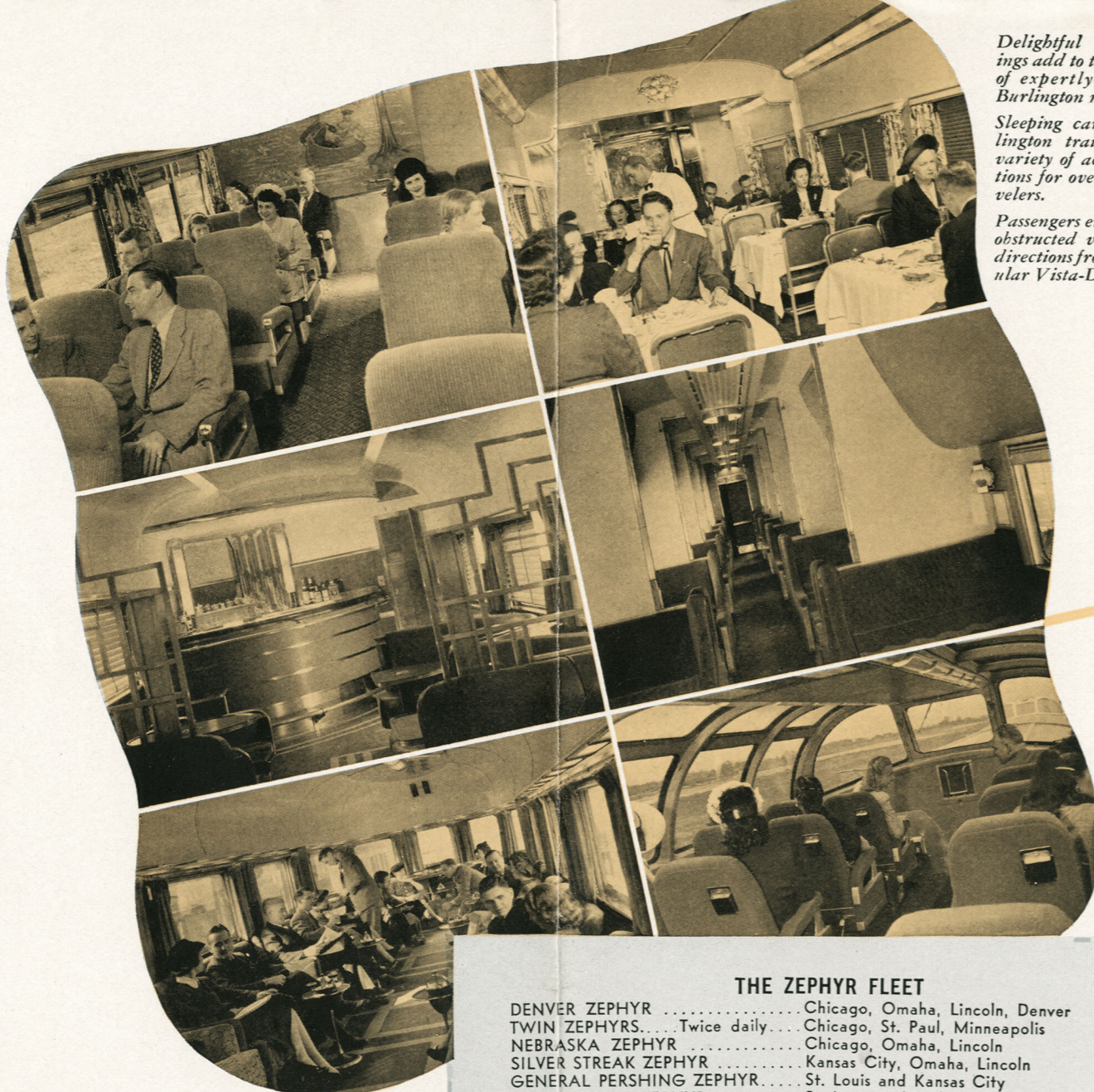
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A MODERN PIONEER



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Delightful surroundings add to the pleasure of expertly-prepared Burlington meals.

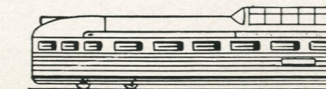
Sleeping cars on Burlington trains offer a variety of accommodations for overnight travelers.

Passengers enjoy an unobstructed view in all directions from the popular Vista-Dome.

Latest style chair-coaches . . . designed for comfort, tastefully decorated, modernly appointed.

The Zephyr club-lounge provides a gathering place for enjoyable companionship.

Popular among passengers on Burlington fine trains is the observation-lounge car.



# BURLINGTON . . . *Way of the Zephyrs* and the VISTA-DOMES . . .

On November 11, 1934, the Burlington placed its PIONEER ZEPHYR in regular daily service between Lincoln, Omaha, St. Joseph and Kansas City. This marked the dawn of a new and glorious era in railroad transportation, for the PIONEER ZEPHYR was the first diesel-powered streamlined train in America.

It was a radical departure from anything in existence, and the acceptance of this new type of passenger transportation by the traveling public was instantaneous. The combination of diesel power for smooth speed and stainless steel for light weight and durability made possible much faster schedules, and, indeed, opened the way for the high-speed passenger train service enjoyed throughout the country today.

The popularity of this first Zephyr and its splendid record of dependability and on-time performance resulted in the construction and operation of other Burlington Zephyr trains. These offer not only fast service between many important midwestern cities but also passenger equipment of a new and different type, with emphasis upon greater comfort, luxurious appointments, colorful decoration, and modern design. And it was the successful use of diesel power in Burlington's PIONEER ZEPHYR that led other railroads to adopt the same type of motive power that is in such general use today.

In 1949 the Burlington will celebrate its 100th Anniversary. Construction started in 1849, and from the 12-mile Aurora Branch Railroad has emerged the Burlington System of today, with 11,000 miles in 14 states. Its history and growth have been as eventful and rapid as the great western empire it helped to build. As we near a century of railroad service we view with pride our past accomplishments, and look forward to even greater contributions to the welfare and prosperity of our country in the years to come.

## THE VISTA-DOME

Another "first" in railroad passenger progress

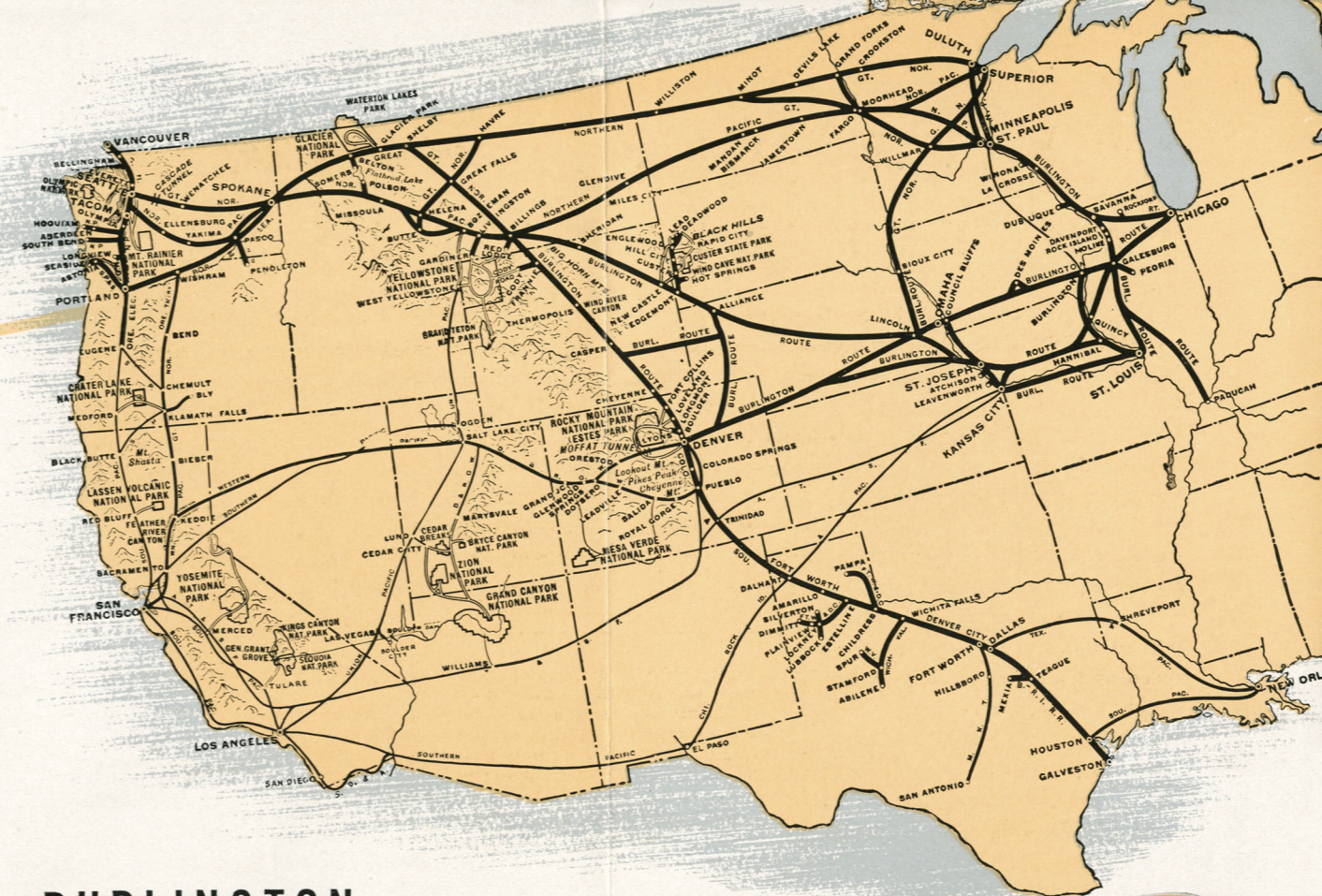
was the Vista-Dome, introduced by Burlington in 1945, from designs developed by General Motors.

A spacious dome, providing 24 deep-cushioned seats, enclosed in non-glare, heat-resisting safety glass, was built by the Burlington into the roof of a stainless steel coach. Here passengers, with head and shoulders well above the roof line, have an unobstructed view in all directions. The dome is reached by a short stairway from the main floor. Delightful air-conditioning and freedom from

noise add to the pleasure of riding in the Vista-Dome, and passengers have the feeling of riding through the countryside in a penthouse on wheels.

Here again enthusiastic public approval resulted in construction for the Burlington of a fleet of Vista-Dome cars. The Twin Zephyrs, which were placed in service only last December between Chicago, St. Paul and Minneapolis (illustrated on front cover) each have coaches and a parlor observation car equipped with the popular Vista-Domes. These trains also have club-lounge and dining cars.

The California Zephyrs, now being built and to go in service late this year between Chicago, Denver, Salt Lake City and San Francisco, will each carry three coaches, a buffet-lounge car, and a lounge-observation car equipped with Vista-Domes. There will also be sleeping cars and a dining car. Similar Vista-Dome coaches now operate in the Exposition Flyer via the Moffat Tunnel, Colorado Rockies and Feather River Canyon, the scenic route between Chicago and California.



## BURLINGTON The National Park Line

If you would like a summer vacation that is different—one that offers adventure, thrills, contrasts, and scenic magnificence—visit Our Own West. Here may be found the greatest array of vacationlands . . . Colorado, with its Rocky Mountain-Estes and Mesa Verde National Parks . . . Yellowstone Park . . . Glacier Park . . . Black Hills of South Dakota . . . Dude Ranches . . . California . . . the Pacific Northwest.

Stand before gigantic snow-clad peaks, motor through canyons ablaze with myriad colors, ride and roam twisting trails, fish the brawling mountain streams, train your camera on scores of scenic masterpieces, view thundering waterfalls, steaming geysers and pools, explore mysterious cliff-dwellings. All this and more is yours in these glorious vacationlands.

Set forth on the royal road to romance aboard The Burlington. Air-conditioned trains, completely modern in comforts and accommodations, add hours of restful pleasure to your vacation trip as you relax in your deep-cushioned reclining coach seat . . . laze in a splendid observation car . . . enjoy the Burlington's famed dining car meals . . . sleep soundly in your Pullman berth.



Scenery such as this abounds in the glorious West.