



Double-Bedrooms

DOUBLE BEDROOMS

—The wide, comfortable sofa becomes a sleep-inviting bed at night. Above it, another full-length bed folds to form the upper berth. During the day, your porter will be glad to set up a table for games, writing or meals. The toilet is concealed in a cabinet beneath the washstand, and there is plenty of luggage space. Each room has clothes hooks, full-length mirror, and controls for light, heat and air-conditioning. With the folding partitions out of the way, two double bedrooms become one large room for family groups.

THE COMPARTMENT—A different arrangement provides added space. The full-length sofa converts into a comfortable bed, and the upper berth folds down above the window. At night, there's space for the lounge chair under the upper berth. During the day, a table can be set up for meal service, work or play. There is a concealed toilet and fold-away washstand, a circulating fan, controls for heat, light and ventilation, a clothes locker, and a shoe box.



The Compartment



Colorado—No more glorious vacationland than Colorado can be found on the entire American Continent. Here is a great variety of scenic wonders—majestic snow-capped mountains, clear rippling streams, fragrant evergreen forests and strange mysterious caverns.

Denver, Colorado's mile-high capital, is the gateway to Estes-Rocky Mountain National Park, also Longs Peak, Grand Lake, Mt. Evans, and Echo Lake areas.

Colorado Springs, a vacationland in itself, offers Pikes Peak, The Garden of the Gods, Cheyenne Canyon, Seven Falls, and the Broadmoor district.

ROCKY MOUNTAIN ROCKET

No. 7	SCHEDULE	No. 8
1:55 pm	Lv. CHICAGO	Ar 8:50 am
2:04 pm	Lv. ENGLEWOOD	Ar 8:36 am
4:40 pm	Ar MOLINE	Lv 5:53 am
4:53 pm	Ar ROCK ISLAND	Lv 5:46 am
4:59 pm	Ar DAVENPORT	Lv 5:34 am
5:50 pm	Ar IOWA CITY	Lv 4:42 am
7:50 pm	Ar DES MOINES	Lv 2:46 am
10:51 pm	Ar OMAHA	Lv 11:59 pm
12:20 am	Ar LINCOLN	Lv 10:27 pm
6:31 am	Ar LIMON	Lv 2:40 pm
8:25 am	Ar DENVER	Lv 1:00 pm
8:35 am	Ar COLORADO SPRINGS	Lv 12:45 pm

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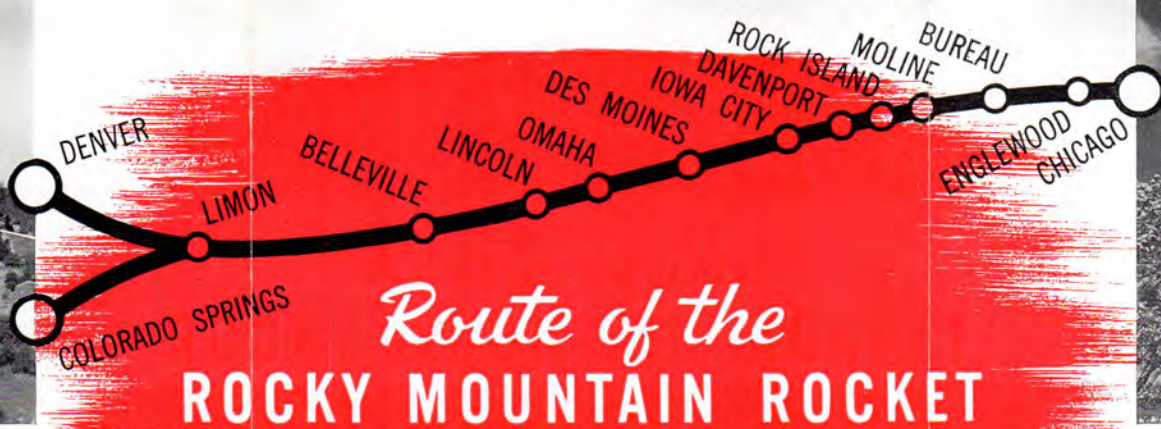


ON THE

ROCKY MOUNTAIN

Rocket

ROCK ISLAND LINES



From Chicago to the Rockies, the ROCKY MOUNTAIN ROCKET speeds across the broad expanse of fields, forests, rivers, and the typical cities and towns in a country replete with historic lore—a vast country of agriculture, livestock and industrial development.

From its eastern terminus on the shores of Lake Michigan you quickly cross the state of Illinois, through the cities of Joliet, Morris, Marseilles and Ottawa, where occurred the first of the famed Lincoln-Douglas debates, past historic Starved Rock and on through LaSalle-Peru. Here, in the heart of Illinois, people are actively engaged in the industrial production that makes for good living.

From the train window may be seen the Illinois River, the old Illinois and Michigan Canal and the Illinois and Mississippi Canal that parallel the right of way.

At Bureau, a picturesque nook in the hills, we pass the junction point with the line that links the city of Peoria to Chicago, and over which highspeed Rockets serve this important area. The PEORIA ROCKETS makes a direct connection at Bureau with our train.

As the towns flit by in western Illinois, we soon approach the Quad Cities of East Moline, Moline, Rock Island and Davenport, noted for the production

of agricultural machinery and heavy industry . . . a region rich in the early history of the Rock Island Lines. It was here that the first bridge, ever to span the Mississippi, was erected between the cities of Rock Island and Davenport, resting its piers on the Arsenal of Rock Island.

The first bridge was wrecked on May 6, 1856, two weeks after completion, when the steamer "Effie Afton" collided with one of the piers and the boat with its cargo and a 250-foot span of the bridge were burned. In the bitter court struggle which followed, Abraham Lincoln appeared as counsel for the Rock Island.

It was on this island where, in 1845, the founders of the Rock Island first envisioned this great railroad.

After leaving Davenport, a direct east-west crossing is made of the state of Iowa "where the tall corn grows," serving the important cities of Iowa City, the first state capital and site of the University of Iowa, Grinnell, Newton and the Capital city of Des Moines. From Des Moines, the Rock Island rails radiate in many directions and it is here that the TWIN STAR ROCKETS, operating over the Mid-Continent Route crosses our route and links the TWIN CITIES of the North Star State with Texas, the Lone Star State, and the Gulf.

On leaving Des Moines, we continue across the vast agricultural area of Western Iowa, known for its hogs, corn and poultry, then on through Atlantic, to Council Bluffs where we cross the Missouri River and arrive in Omaha.

We now travel in a southwesterly direction across Nebraska to the Capital city of Lincoln, whose capitol building is one of the marvels of modern architecture.

Kansas is known as the "breadbasket of the world." As far as the eye can reach, in season, the waving fields of grain may be seen. Belleville is the junction point with rail service from Kansas City, the East, and Southeast.

Other cities along the route are Mankato, Smith Center, Phillipsburg and Goodland.

We enter the state of Colorado at Burlington, and make quick progress to the division point at Limon. Here may be had a first glimpse of Pikes Peak. Now our route divides so that Denver and Colorado Springs may be served direct with equal fast and independent through service to both.

Each section of the train has accommodations for coach and Pullman passengers, and each with its own diner continues to those gateway centers of this great state.



Club Diner



The

ROCKY MOUNTAIN ROCKET



Observation-Lounge

As a complement to this great vacation area, the ROCKY MOUNTAIN ROCKET was conceived and built as a train for the comfort and convenience of the commercial and tourist travel across this central area of our great country.

The streamlined Diesel-powered trains have a flexibility in the type of passenger equipment that lends itself for comfort and complete freedom from crowding.

The Diesel-powered locomotives have the advantage of fast schedules, smooth, quiet riding, and a minimum number of stops for fuel . . . a greater dependability. Brilliantly colorful in red, maroon and stainless steel, the exteriors present an unrivaled appearance of flashing beauty. The interiors of all cars are harmoniously decorative with unity of color throughout. Accommodations vary as to mode of travel, but whether you travel by coach or Pullman, you are assured of the best in train travel.

THE OBSERVATION CAR—For the individual desires of the discriminating travelers. In addition to the five double bedrooms there is the observation section with radio, library of up-to-date magazines and newspapers, writing desk and buffet lounge. Twenty-five inviting chairs, companionably grouped and attractively upholstered, provide complete relaxation. A competent attendant caters to refreshment desires.

A FINER DINER—The luxurious atmosphere and roomy comfort of the dining car are enough to whet the most jaded appetite. There are seating accommo-



Semi-enclosed Sections

dations for thirty-six persons. A complete meal service is available to all patrons. This diner operates to and from Denver.

THE CLUB DINER—Primarily for coach patrons, is attractively appointed and when meal service is not in progress may be utilized by all for lounging and beverage purposes. This car operates through to Colorado Springs serving breakfast westbound, and luncheon eastbound.

The chefs and waiters of both diners are master craftsmen, and fulfill every service desire from menus that are varied and wholesome. It may truly be said that Rock Island meals are the "Best on wheels."

RECLINING SEAT CHAIR CARS—Chair Car patrons are assured of "easy-chair" comfort on the ROCKY MOUNTAIN ROCKET. The Diesel-powered streamlined Rockets are equipped with lightweight, roomy Chair Cars offering deep-cushioned, reclining seats, adjustable to several positions, with plenty of leg room; foot rest for extra comfort. Pillows may be secured from the attendant at a small charge. **Reservations**—All seats in reclining seat chair cars are reserved and individually assigned in advance for the entire trip.

Experienced travelers agree that the best way between Chicago and Denver-Colorado Springs is on Rock Island's Rocky Mountain Rocket—the whole trip involves just a pleasant afternoon and a sound night's sleep.

SLEEPING CARS—Whether you are traveling alone, or with others, you will find the ideal type of sleeping accommodations on the ROCKY MOUNTAIN ROCKET. They range from the semi-enclosed open sections with their upper and lower berths at minimum sleeping car costs to the private rooms of varying sizes. There is the Roomette for one passenger. For two or more and family groups, ideal accommodations are the double bedrooms or the bedrooms and compartments that may be opened ensuite.

THE SECTIONS—Modern semi-private sections have two seats (seat facing forward is for occupant of lower berth). Pillows available for daytime lounging. Table may be had for games or writing. Both upper and lower berths have individual reading lights, shelf for toilet articles, clothes hangers. Occupant of the upper berth enters and leaves by a convenient safety ladder. A bell summons the porter.

THE ROOMETTE—A private room designed primarily for one person. The bed is made up before the train leaves and is easily lowered or returned to its place in the wall. The door may be locked, or left open and a curtain drawn across the doorway. Facilities include a fold-away washstand, concealed toilet, luggage space, clothes locker, mirrored cabinet, cool drinking water, individual control of light, ventilation, heat and air-conditioning and a shoe box for the porter.



Reclining Seat Chair Car



Roomette



10 Section-4 Roomette Pullman—Chicago-Denver



8 Section-2 Double Bedroom-2 Compartment Pullman—Chicago-Colorado Springs

DIAGRAMS
of
EQUIPMENT
on the
ROCKY
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ROCKET



Reclining Seat Chair Cars—Chicago, Denver-Colorado Springs



Observation-5 Double Bedroom Pullman—Chicago-Denver