



BREAKING TRAIL through a fresh expanse of sparkling white snow is an unforgettable thrill being enjoyed by these skiers near Timberline Lodge on Mt. Hood, Oregon. The Mt. Hood area draws thousands of skiers each week end from fall to late spring. Avid skiers whiz down the upper slopes of the mountain 11 months of the year.

Oregon, Washington Ski Areas Lure Skiers for Late Spring Fun

Springtime means the end of skiing in most parts of the country, but not so in the Pacific Northwest. In many cases, skiers are found on the slopes of Washington and Oregon until the beginning of summer, or even later. Favorable climatic conditions make skiing possible in the Northwest long after other national ski areas have closed.

East of Portland on Oregon's Mt. Hood, avid skiers ski the upper slopes eleven months of the year. Numerous ski sites dot the popular mountain's landscape. Timberline Lodge, 6,000 feet up the south slope, features the Magic Mile double-chair lift which carries skiers quickly to the snow fields 5,300 feet above the Lodge. Sno-cat tractors carry them even higher, to the 10,000-foot level. From there, it is possible to ski eight miles down the mountain to Government Camp resort.

Six miles below Timberline, at the 4,000-foot level, are four more excellent ski areas: Mt. Hood Ski Bowl,

Multorpor Mountain, Summit and Red Devil ski areas. Also nearby Portland is Pilot Butte ski area, where the U. S. Junior National Ski Jumping Championship will be held March 14-20 this year. Other championships will be staged this spring in central Oregon's Cascade Mountains on 9,000-foot Mt. Bachelor.

In addition to being host to the Junior National championships, Mt. Bachelor has been the training site of two Olympic ski teams on its high summer snow fields. It also offers spring skiers some of the most spectacular ski scenery in America. Atop the 4,500-foot double-chair lift, high on the face of the lava mountain, skiers look directly into the open crater of Broken Top Mountain.

Washington has one of the longest skiing seasons in the nation. Starting in November, one can ski as late as

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Puget Sound Cities Set aside April 3-11 for Daffodil Festival

Residents of Tacoma, Puyallup, Sumner and Orting in Washington State have set aside April 3-11 for this year's Puyallup Valley Daffodil Festival. Each year, these four Puget Sound-area communities welcome the early-blooming daffodil with the traditional celebration.

Before the bulb season ends in mid-April, Festival spirit runs high throughout the 15-mile Puyallup Valley, known as the nation's bulb basket.

"Masterpieces" is the theme chosen for this 32nd floral fete, and kicking off festivities for the first time will be a parade of children's floats. Other major events are the spectacular Grand Parade, and the "Floats that go to Sea" sailing and yachting event that involves the all-Puget Sound Marine Regatta. Featuring daffodil-decorated floats, the Grand Parade winds its way through Tacoma, Puyallup and Sumner on April 10.



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On April 4, a special Northern Pacific sight-seeing train out of Tacoma and Seattle will make special stops at several larger flower fields enroute to Orting.



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NP Promotes Rue to Succeed Gardner as Winnipeg GA

K. R. Rue, General Agent for Northern Pacific railway in Edmonton, Alberta, has been appointed General Agent at Winnipeg to succeed Charles C. Gardner, the railway has announced.

R. W. Donaldson, Traveling Freight and Passenger Agent at NP's Vancouver, B. C., office, has been named to fill Rue's former position.

Gardner is NP's new General Agent, Freight Department, at the company's Portland office.



Rue



Donaldson

Rue entered Northern Pacific service at his native Winnipeg in 1945. He rose to chief clerk three years later and was named City Freight and Passenger Agent in 1951. Promoted to Commercial Agent in 1954, he was transferred to Edmonton, where he was appointed General Agent in 1961.

Donaldson, also a Winnipeg native, joined the NP there in 1954 following 12 years with the Canadian National. He went to Los Angeles as chief clerk in 1956 and to Seattle the following year as City Freight and Passenger Agent. He was promoted to Traveling Freight and Passenger Agent at Vancouver in 1959.



PETTICOAT JUNCTION ENGINEER Smiley Burnette of TV renown gets set to "highball" the "Minnetonka", Northern Pacific's first steam engine, during Fort Union Days' celebration at Sidney, Mont. The NP purchased the Minnetonka 95 years ago in 1870. "The Minnetonka", Smiley remarked, "is two years older than the engine used in our TV show".

After-Ski Facilities Spring Up Near Idaho's Schweitzer Basin

Three new facilities have been opened this winter in and near Sandpoint, Idaho, to accommodate skiers at nearby Schweitzer Basin ski resort, according to the Schweitzer News bureau.

North Shore Lodge, a \$546,000 motel-cocktail lounge-dining room complex, was completed on Lake Pend Oreille beach in Sandpoint. The modern Swiss style lodge will add a heated year-round swimming pool later.

The Red Cricket, a 24-unit apartment building near the Schweitzer Basin day lodge, was also completed this season. The Red Cricket is the first of a group of apartment and dormitory buildings which will comprise Schweitzer Village. All Red Cricket apartments have kitchenettes.

Also new in Sandpoint is the Ski Loft, a 60-bed low-cost dormitory hostel for organized groups or families. The hostel has large dressing rooms, bedrooms for chaperones, a small lounge and a small kitchen for preparing soup or coffee.

Schweitzer Basin is located near Sandpoint, Idaho, on the Northern Pacific railway line. The NP's Main-streeter reaches Sandpoint overnight from Seattle, Portland and Tacoma.

Northern Pacific has arranged a six-day "Discovery Package" and a week end special for skiers to Schweitzer

from the three cities. Both plans offer skiers round-trip rail transportation, lodging, a set number of meals, ski lift privileges and shuttle bus service to the ski areas.



RECORD PRESENTATION—Northern Pacific's New York CFGPA, J. R. Patterson, right, presents two copies of NP's "A Thousand Miles of Mountains" to Robert Averill, president of Hildreth-Travel, Inc., during the recent opening of the travel agency's Rutland, Vermont, office. Averill later presented one record each to the Vermont Historical Society in Montpelier and the Norman Williams Public Library in Woodstock. The centennial recordings offer special interest to these organizations as native Vermonters Frederick Billings and Edwin Johnson were both early promoters of the NP.

Spokane Lilac Fete Is Maytime Event

Maytime is Lilac Time in Spokane, Wash. Ever since 1938, when the first Lilac Festival was held, all Spokane has paused each May to pay homage to the Lilac, symbol of the return of spring to the Inland Empire.

The 1965 celebration, scheduled May 8-16, gives promise of being the greatest ever presented, according to the Spokane Lilac Festival Association. Major events include three parades, a breath-taking Lilac and Spring Flower Show, a Collegiate Concert, the annual Diamond Spur Rodeo in spacious Spokane Coliseum, and a performance of the famed Salvation Army Band from Los Angeles. Civic luncheons, formal dinners, and an "Open House" at Fair-



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child Air Force Base are other outstanding attractions.

More than 80 communities from Washington, Idaho, Oregon, Montana and British Columbia will participate in the Festival's two large parades, the Torchlight on May 13, and the Lilac Festival-Armed Forces parade on May 15. Festival officials predict 40 beautifully-lighted floats will be featured in the Torchlight parade, while a record number of 60 or more floats will be seen in Saturday's big parade.

For the first time in history, the Lilac Queen, selected from 11 princesses nominated by Spokane area high schools, will be named at the outset of the Festival. Her selection will be the climax of a spectacular two-hour Coronation Show in the Spokane Coliseum Friday evening, May 7.



MILE-LONG CHAIRLIFT at Missoula Snow Bowl carries skiers up to the 7,000-foot level for mountain skiing at the popular western Montana resort. Experts can ride the 5,500-foot double chairlift to its terminus and then take a rope tow to the summit of Big Sky Mountain for a vertical drop of 2,600 feet. Northern Pacific Railway serves the area.

In Recent Elections

Passenger Clubs Pick New Officers

Newly-elected Passenger Club officers have assumed their terms of office for 1965. Following executives were named for the coming year at elections recently held by their organizations:

CINCINNATI

Andy Matthews, of the Southern railway, was elected president of the Cincinnati Passenger Club at its recent election. George McIlvein, of the Cincinnati *Enquirer*, was named as-

sistant vice-president, and new secretary-treasurer is Bob Hines, of the B & O. Elected to the board of governors were: John Bischoff, Post & Times Star; Paul Garland, AT&SF; Otto Ehringer, L & N, and John Buse, of the Wayfarer Travel Service.

MILWAUKEE

New president of the Wisconsin Passenger Club is T. F. O'Grady, of

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ST. PAUL PRESIDENTS exchange well-wishes as Mark Harnden, left, outgoing president, greets G. D. Landahl (Milwaukee Road), new president of the St. Paul Passenger Club. Next to Harnden (Northern Pacific) are newly-elected officers; left to right, Treasurer Carl Moeller (Union Depot), Vice-President R. E. Osterberg (Great Northern), Landahl and Secretary R. T. Kealy (NP).



MINNEAPOLIS OFFICERS—Recently elected to office, these four officials will serve the Minneapolis Passenger Traffic Club for 1965. Seated are: R. J. Peters, left, of the Santa Fe Lines, vice-president, and W. P. Woodhouse, Milwaukee Road, president. Standing are Secretary S. Browman, Rock Island Lines, left, and Treasurer Don Randle of the Great Northern Station.



PRESIDENCY EXCHANGES HANDS—Congratulatory handshake is given Don Siggins of the Triangle X Ranch, left, newly-elected president of the Dude Rancher's Association, by outgoing president Dick Hickey. Siggins was elected during the group's 39th annual convention held recently in Helena, Mont. Hickey, of the Diamond L Bar Ranch near Seeley Lake, Mont., remains a director of the Association.

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the Illinois Central railway. Others elected to office at the club's meeting in Milwaukee were Miller Brewing company's J. H. Panfil, vice-president, and C&NW's retired W. G. Wight, secretary-treasurer. D. M. Sullivan, of the Milwaukee Road, and G. S. Schally, of the Northern Pacific, have been named as new directors.

ST. LOUIS

The St. Louis Passenger Club has elected Claude Fuhr, of the GM&O, as their new president for 1965. Chosen as first and second vice-presidents were Jerry West, of IC, and John Meyer, of the TRRA. New secretary is PRR's Harris Herron, and N&W's B. Lankford was named to the treasurer's post.

NEW YORK

Recently elected president of the General Eastern Passenger Agents Association of New York was H. E. Worley, of the Pullman Company. A. E. Born, of Canada Steamship Lines, Ltd., was named vice president at the Association's 43rd annual luncheon and business meeting. Pennsylvania Railroad's E. A. Harding is new treasurer; P. S. Jones, of the New York, New Haven and Hartford, is secretary, and J. E. McNamara, Burlington Route, is assistant secretary.

Yellowstone Attendance Hits New Record in 1964

Final attendance figures for Yellowstone National Park show that a record 1,929,316 visitors passed through the park in 1964, according to Park officials.

This exceeds the 1963 total by three per cent, and is 4,676 more than the previous high mark set in 1962.



NEWEST SUES to join the Vista-Dome crews: Mary Boland, left, and Shirley Nelson recently became Stewardess-Nurses assigned to Northern Pacific's North Coast Limited. A graduate of St. Michael's Hospital School of Nursing, Toronto, Ontario, Miss Boland received her public health diploma in 1962 at the University of Western Ontario. Before joining the NP, she was a public health nurse in Toronto. Miss Nelson, a native of Winnipeg, Manitoba, was a staff nurse at University Hospital in Seattle before becoming a stewardess-nurse. She received her RN degree at Winnipeg General Hospital in 1963. After graduation, she worked one year there as a staff nurse.

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July in some areas. Here, spring skiers can choose from a wealth of wonderful skiing sites, 18 in all.

East of Seattle, in the Snoqualmie National Forest, is Snoqualmie Summit ski area, covering 200 acres of open slopes. Nearby, in a high valley sheltered by Mount Rainier, lies the Crystal Mountain ski area. A complete ski resort offering a variety of accommodations, Crystal Mountain's skiing season normally extends to May.

North of Seattle, and open year-round, is the Mount Pilchuck ski area, which features the Vista-Ride and a panoramic view of the Cascades, Puget Sound and the San Juan Islands. Summer Alpine Racing School and the internationally famous Heather Cup Giant Slalom are held each July at the Mount Baker resort, located north of Seattle. The racing school, headed by former Austrian champion Franz Gabl, attracts ski students from the United States and Canada.

Mount Spokane, outside of Spokane, Wash., remains open throughout April. Its two double-chair lifts carry skiers 5,880 feet up at the top of each mile-long lift.

Northern Pacific serves many of the ski resorts in and around the Portland, Seattle and Spokane areas.

