



# GREAT NORTHERN RAILWAY

## SCENIC CASCADE MOUNTAIN DIVISION

### **SEATTLE TOWER, YARD MASTER & HOSTLER JOBS (ALL YOURS)**

Many think this is the best job on the railroad. You are referred to as The Seattle “TOWER”. In effect, you are the Yardmaster, plus you get to do other interesting jobs besides being the big boss of Seattle.

You have a “sit down” job near the roundhouse area in Seattle. All your work can be performed from this position without getting off your stool. Mirrors are located so that you can cleverly see around corners and other operators, plus a TV monitor allows you to see the staging area back in the crew lounge. All, so that you don’t have to get off your stool.

Seattle Yard switches 5 through trains, makes up 3 wayfreights and 3 passenger trains, and terminates 5 other trains. The Seattle class yard operator (we call him the Seattle “switcher”) pulls freight cars from the class yard for all outbound freight trains. You bring out (hostle) roadpower from the roundhouse to trains originating in Seattle, and then move the built train up to the “Ready Track”. You build up passenger trains and move them to King Street Station. You take over, and run all roadpower within yard limits. You even have your very own yard switcher to use when you need it.

All through trains that pass through Seattle, either originate or terminate in the staging tracks in the den (or Crew Lounge). You also control this 3 track staging area. You keep the same roadpower on all through trains.