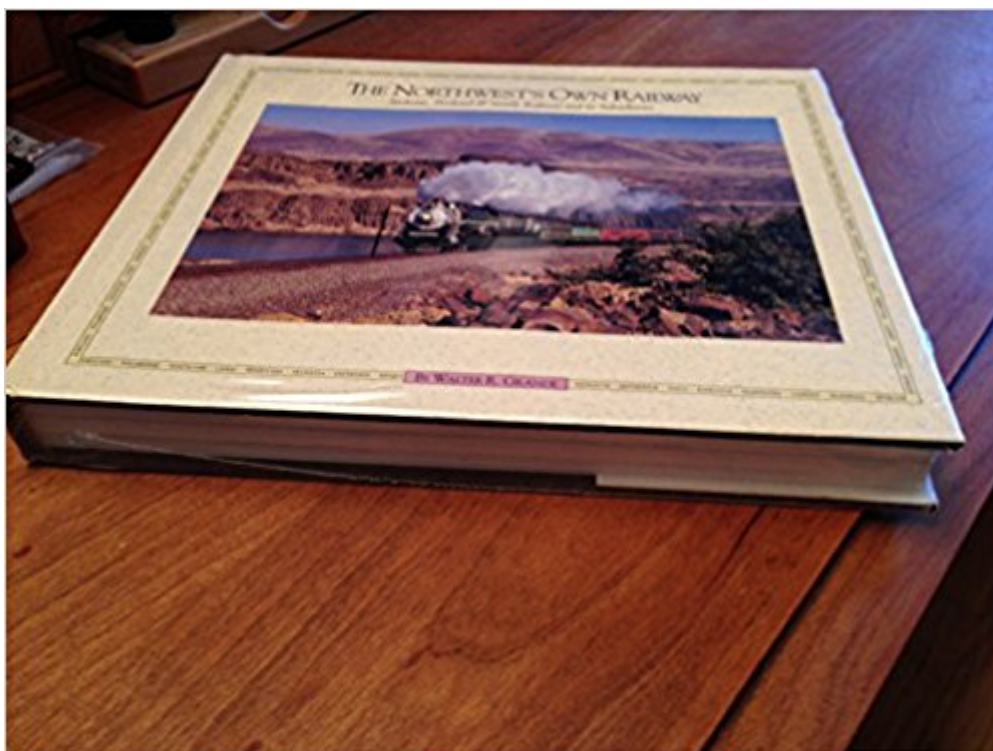


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Until the Burlington Northern merger in 1971, the Northwest's Own Railway served the route Spokane-Tri Cities-Portland. This story of the Spokane, Portland and Seattle is filled with trivia only a true rail buff could love. It also has some excellent -- and rare -- photos of construction and operations. The unique relationship among the 'Hill Roads' (parents Northern Pacific and Great Northern and offspring SP&S) is explored in detail and with unusual frankness and clarity. The tracks

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