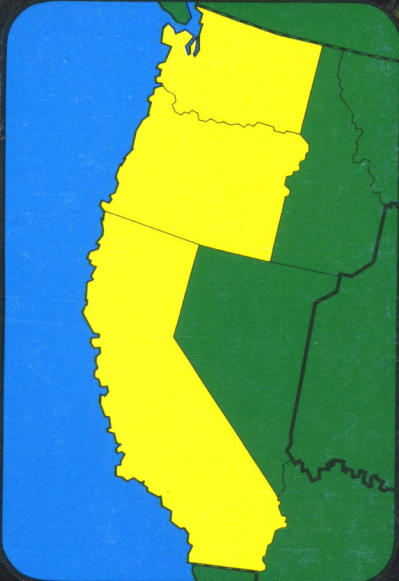


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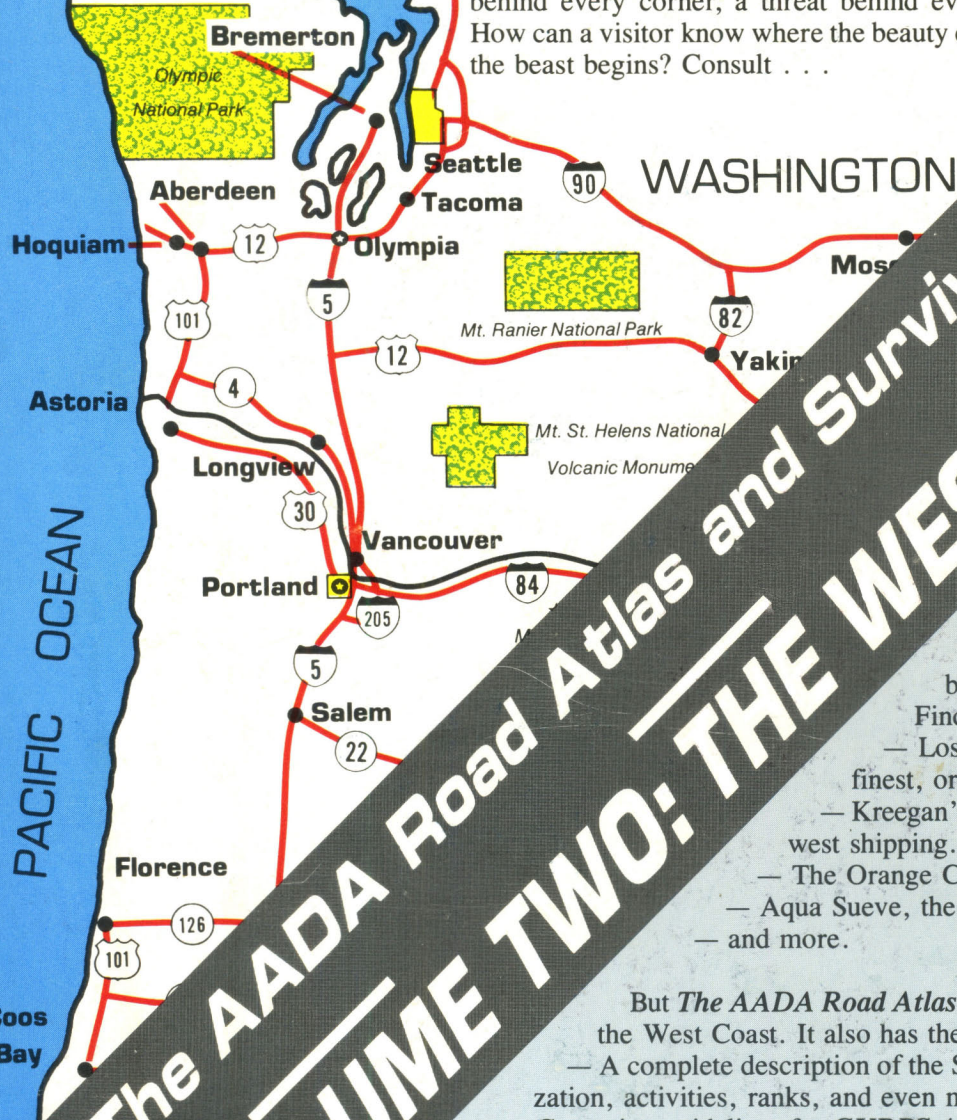


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# THE WEST COAST

## The History of the Pacific Coast Since 1990

The regions along the Pacific Coast weathered the oil shortage and Food Riots in radically different ways. For some, famine, desperate living, and violence were the norm. For others, the hardships only brought communities and neighbors closer together. The Pacific Coast represents, in the most basic way, the reaction of the country as a whole. And the rebuilding of America is nowhere further along than in California, Oregon, and Washington.

### The Gas Line Blues

The cheap, plentiful gas of the mid-1980s gave way to skyrocketing prices and flaring tempers during the mid-1990s. Gas lines in Los Angeles became so bad that legislation forced drivers into a strict rationing system. This system allowed gas to be bought by an individual only once a month, on that person's special day. There were riots and fighting as people tried to beat a failing system. Celebrities and other members of affluent society installed underground storage tanks so they could follow the letter, if not the spirit, of the law, even if that meant buying upwards of 2,000 gallons at a time.

Areas farther up the California coast were better off because of offshore oil wells and less total dependence on the automobile. But the shortages hit Oregon and Washington hard, bringing their economies to a virtual standstill. Only an abundance of hydro-electric and

nuclear power plants prevented the total collapse of the area's economy.

### Secession Fever

When the U.S. government attempted to nationalize all oil and natural gas supplies, the reaction from Oklahoma, Texas and Louisiana was swift and violent. To prevent California from seceding as well, the U.S. sent in the Marines, who seized the offshore platforms and the inland oil and gas fields.

The occupying forces caused trouble, especially along California's Central Valley. Boisterous, rowdy Marines with weekend passes cruised towns, taunted the locals, and made no effort to hide the fact that they were abusing their fuel privileges. After a few weeks of this, the locals reacted violently. The small, localized riots were quickly suppressed, but they were followed by a more organized guerilla resistance.

The federal government hoped the resistance movement would end swiftly after the Battle of Madera, in which local residents tried to take over a small oil field occupied by the Marines. The attack did not go well. At the end of the battle, two Marines and 28 locals were dead. The government claimed that agents of the Free Oil States were responsible, but this was never proven. The Battle of Madera was the first and last direct attack on the much better-armed Marines, but the resistance movement continued to grow politically. Californians in favor of secession were on their way to becoming a majority, especially in the northern part of the state.





**Gang Activity:** None, but bar fights are a daily occurrence.

## THE DALLES

**Population:** 6,400.

**Description:** The Oregon trail ends along the Columbia River at the Dalles. This town has maintained the dam across the river for years, and ship traffic is a major source of income here. Many ships pass through the locks on their way to and from the Pacific.

**Duelling Facilities:** The only facilities here are a small truck mechanic's shop and several auto recharge stations.

**Other Facilities:** The Dalles Dam and Locks, a small emergency clinic, several low-rent motels and several bars.

**Gang Activity:** Moderate. The Columbia River east of here is subject to periodic attacks from a group of river pirates known as Kreegan's Edge. The Edge specialize in combined water/ground attacks, hijacking ships by sending boarding parties in by boat, supported by heavy fire from cycles and cars on the riverbank. The Edge sport a sea-blue stylized wave as their emblem.



## EUGENE

**Population:** 88,000.

**Description:** Located at the southern end of the Willamette River Valley, Eugene is a major lumber center and one of the few cities in Oregon with autoduelling interests. Nearby flood control dams form a series of scenic lakes that offer a variety of water sports.

**Duelling Facilities:** The Willamette Duelling Arena, a small facility that doesn't allow lasers or rockets (to protect the spectators). There are also numerous truck and car recharge and repair stations.

**Other Facilities:** Logging Company Headquarters, two hospitals, a satellite TV receiving station and an airport.

**Gang Activity:** Light, and only from wandering bands — no gangs located in the area.

## FLORENCE

**Population:** 6,500.

**Description:** Florence is centrally located between the three massive water desalination plants along the Oregon coast, and home to most of those plants' employees. The plants, part of the Oregon Oxidization and Purification Plant System, are all within thirty miles of town. Two are north of town, and one is south. Because of the three OOPPS plants, the city has the lowest unemployment rate in the state — 8%.

The city itself is separated from the ocean by a series of dunes that rise up from the sea, reaching a height of 300 feet in some cases. These dunes are a very popular recreation area with the locals, who bring "dune buggies" and off-road bikes and trikes here.

**Duelling Facilities:** There are no arenas nearby and most vehicles don't even have weapons. If they do, they are usually of a defensive nature. There are several good auto shops and recharge stations, but trucking facilities are minimal; just one small mechanics shop, Roxy's Rig Repair.

**Other Facilities:** The OOPPS plants (tours daily), a heliport, a hospital and small-town charm.

**Gang Activity:** None.

## GRANT'S PASS

**Population:** 9,400.

**Description:** This small town is holding on, thanks to the recent construction of an electronics assembly plant. Starguard, a company that makes autoduelling electronics for the Uncle Albert chain, is taking advantage of the depressed economy here to assemble target acquisition devices at a lower cost than in Northern California's Silicon Valley.

**Duelling Facilities:** No arenas, but discount prices (15% below normal) on targeting computers, ATADs and other computer devices from the Uncle Albert's catalog (Computer Gunners and Drivers excluded). There are also the usual auto/truck stops along I-5.

**Other Facilities:** One hospital and a small airport.

**Gang Activity:** Very light.

## KLAMATH FALLS

**Population:** 11,200.

**Description:** This lovely city is located at the southern tip of Klamath Lake. There are no longer any falls here, but the logging town has kept the name. Curiously, local hot spring water is used to heat homes and is piped under the streets to melt snow from the streets and sidewalks in winter.

**Duelling Facilities:** Nothing fancy here, just a handful of recharge stations and a pair of truck garages.

**Other Facilities:** A small hospital, a boat dock, an airport and friendly locals.

**Gang Activity:** Just some rowdy kids cruising the waterfront on Saturday nights.

## MEDFORD

**Population:** 21,500.

**Description:** Medford is a major center for the state's lumber and fruit growing industries. The city is ruled with

# FLASH OF STEEL



Hollywood is a city of broken dreams and shattered hopes. Would-be stars wander the streets, trying to bum change for a cup of coffee or the latest issue of *Variety* or *Drama-Logue*. They're still waiting for that big break . . . one last chance to prove they could be somebody.

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*Flash Of Steel* is a *GURPS Autoduel* adventure that takes the characters into the big-money, high-pressure world of Hollywood. This adventure is designed for three or four 100-point characters. They should have good duelling skills, but social, spy, and language skills will also be necessary. It would help if at least one is able to speak Spanish. Area Knowledge of Los Angeles and a Hobby skill like Knowledge of Movies would also be very handy. The party will be mixing it up with street gangs as well as mingling in high society.



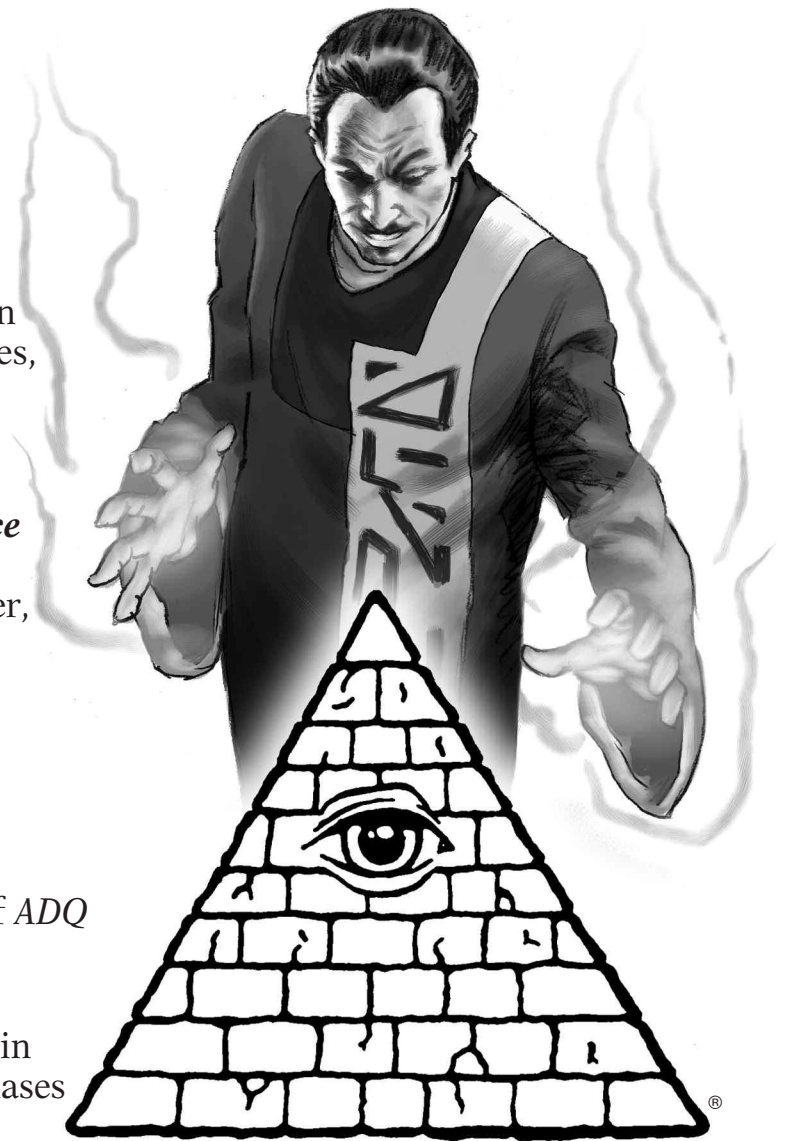


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