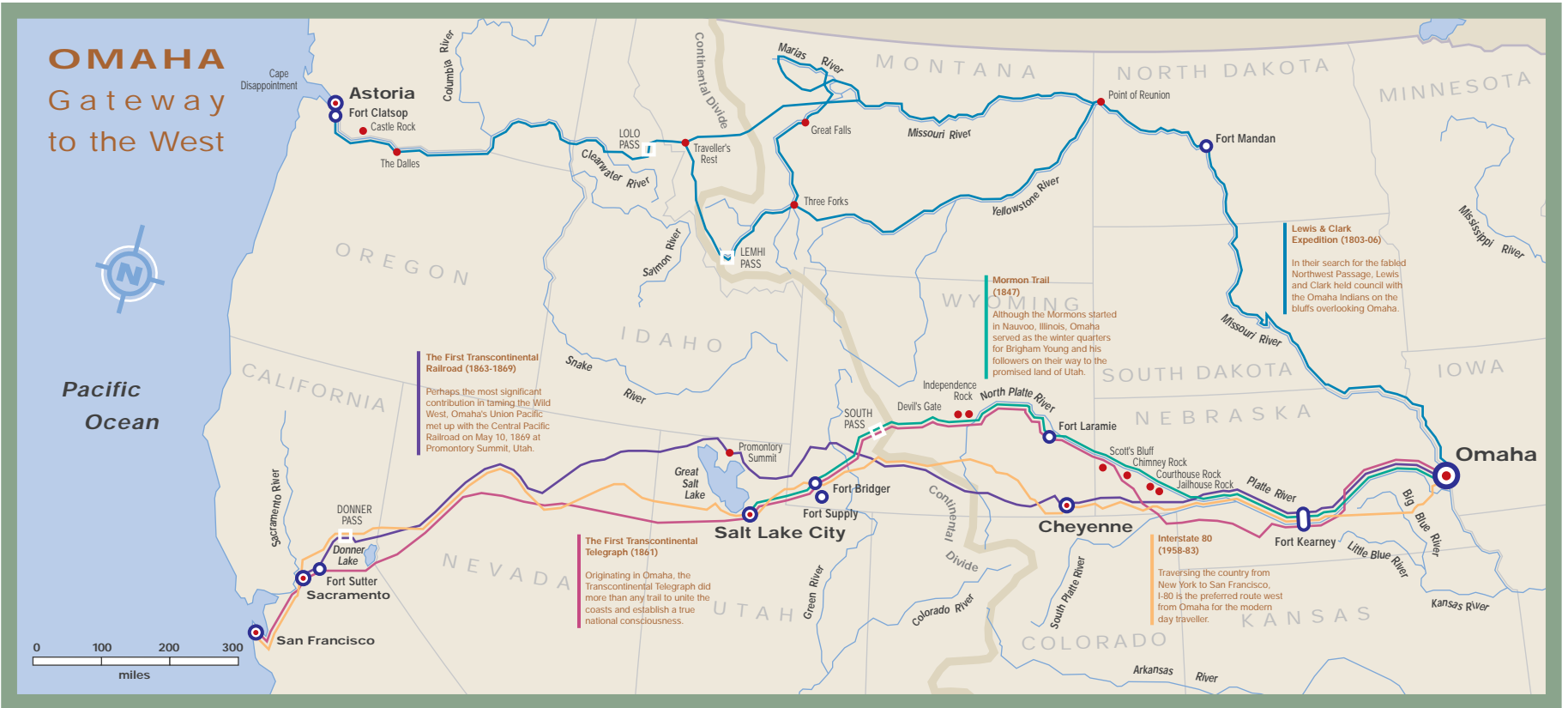
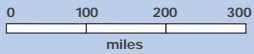


OMAHA Gateway to the West



Pacific Ocean



The First Transcontinental Railroad (1863-1869)
Perhaps the most significant contribution in taming the Wild West, Omaha's Union Pacific Railroad met up with the Central Pacific Railroad on May 10, 1869 at Promontory Summit, Utah.

The First Transcontinental Telegraph (1861)
Originating in Omaha, the Transcontinental Telegraph did more than any trail to unite the coasts and establish a true national consciousness.

Mormon Trail (1847)
Although the Mormons started in Nauvoo, Illinois, Omaha served as the winter quarters for Brigham Young and his followers on their way to the promised land of Utah.

Lewis & Clark Expedition (1803-06)
In their search for the fabled Northwest Passage, Lewis and Clark held council with the Omaha Indians on the bluffs overlooking Omaha.

Interstate 80 (1958-83)
Traversing the country from New York to San Francisco, I-80 is the preferred route west from Omaha for the modern day traveller.