

St. Paul, June 3, 1923.

Mr. L. W. Hill:

Regarding our conversation yesterday:

I have written Mr. J. R. Eakin, Superintendent, Glacier Park, regarding the visit of the Congressional Party and the necessity for having the roads and trails open to the greatest possible extent in order that the Committee can get through the Park to the best advantage.

Also, in writing John Carroll at Washington, I suggested that he have Director of Parks Mather write Superintendent Eakin to the same effect.

W. P. Kenney.

Cy:- Mr. L. W. Hill

Mr. E. H. Wild

St. Paul, Minn., June 6, 1923.

Mrs. Blair Flandrau,
548 Portland Ave.,
St. Paul, Minn.

Dear Mrs. Flandrau:

In regard to our telephone conversation of yesterday, relative to a ranch in the vicinity of Glacier Park, at which you might find it desirable to spend some time:

As I advised you, the only one I know of that I feel I can recommend to you is the ranch of George Jennings. He has a ranch six or seven miles from Glacier Park Hotel, only a couple of hours ride over there. The ranch is nicely located. I do not know just what progress he has made with his buildings. I am leaving for Glacier Park today and will endeavor to ascertain this and will write you from there. In the meantime, you may wish to correspond direct with Mr. George Jennings, Glacier Park Post Office, Montana, as you could tell him just what accommodations you need; that is, how many rooms. Mr. and Mrs. Jennings run the place themselves, doing their own work, and you will find them splendid people of this type. Mrs. Jennings is an exceptionally good cook, while George Jennings is a man of fine disposition and has some very good horses. I do not know just what the rates are, but I believe about \$42.00 per week, which includes horse service.

You are so close to the Park there, that you would be able to run up to Glacier Park Hotel and to any place in the Park like Two Medicine, Cut Bank, or St. Mary's Chalets. Two Medicine Chalets are much like the western dude ranches, as one can get horses anytime they wish. Two Medicine Chalets are operated by the Hotel Company.

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If I can give you any further information, I shall be glad to do so. I am asking Mr. A. L. Johnston, City Passenger Agent, Great Northern Railway, to give you full information about round trip tickets, train service, etc., and he will be very glad indeed to relieve you of any annoyance in regard to getting tickets, reservations, etc.

I hope that we will have the pleasure of seeing you at the Park this summer.

Very truly yours,

GLACIER PARK HOTEL COMPANY.

HAN/L

General Manager.

CC - Mr. L. W. Hill ✓
Mr. W. P. Kenney
Mr. A. L. Johnston

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
National Park Service
Glacier Natl Park
Belton, Mont.

Office of the Superintendent.

June 6, 1923.

Mr. W. P. Kenney, Vice President,
Great Northern Railway Company,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Mr. Kenney:

We learned in your letter of June 2nd, that the Congressional Appropriations Committee will be in Glacier Park about June 18th and that Mr. Mather and Colonel Carroll will arrive at Glacier Park Station on the morning of the 14th, and will probably remain in the park twenty-four hours. Previous advice indicates that this party would not reach the park until September, which would be most unfortunate, and while the higher trails will not be open at the time of their visit, the weather will likely be good and several short trails, including Iceberg Lake, will be ready for travel.

We have had two crews on our East side roads since May 1st. The road from Babb to Many Glacier is now in excellent condition. (You probably remember that this was the worst stretch of the road last year). The crew is now working from Babb toward Glacier Park. On June 15th, the road from Hudson Bay Divide to Many Glacier should be in excellent condition and the road from Glacier Park Station to Hudson Bay Divide should be in better condition than it was at any time last year. Much remains to be done along this latter stretch of road but our limited funds prevent our putting it into first-class condition. The Two Medicine Road and the Cut Bank road will also be ready for travel on the opening date.

There are enclosed several copies of the "Foreword" which will accompany our estimates for the next fiscal year. In the past the Appropriations Committee has only given the Park Service a few hours to justify the appropriations for all National Parks. Ordinarily we could not hope to get the information contained in this "Foreword" before the Congressional Committee and it was written primarily with the idea of justifying the appropriation before the Bureau of the Budget. The visit of the Congressional Committee will, no doubt, permit us to present all these facts to them and to hammer them home. We simply must have more maintenance money if all construction must be stopped - which of course would be most unfortunate.

It is fine of your company to take such an interest in the visit of the Appropriations Committee and we sincerely appreciate it.

I assure you that we shall do everything possible to make this visit of the Appropriations Committee enjoyable to them and profitable to the Park.

Very sincerely yours,
(sgd) J. R. Eakin.
Superintendent.

P.S.

I would appreciate your keeping me informed of the developments in regard to the above visit.

St. Paul, Minn., June 6, 1923.

Mr. W. P. Kenney:

I understand Larry Keene and Frank Hay, formerly in our Dining Car Department, are back from Cuba and in St. Paul.

* Larry Keene would be a good man for us to have in Glacier Park this summer. I understand that Frank Hay has a position with one of the News Companies, but I do not know that Larry Keene has.

Louis W. Hill.

St. Paul, Minn., June 8th, 1923.

Mr. L. W. Hill:-

I talked to Mr. Blair Flandrau today about spending the summer in the mountains. He and Mrs. Flandrau were both favorably impressed with Mr. Noble's letter about the Jennings Ranch and he has written to Jennings direct for further particulars. He did not seem to think the price \$42.00 per week was at all out of the way and seems to be very grateful for what we have done for him so far.

As soon as he gets a reply from Jennings he will let me know just what his plans are. They are now figuring on leaving here about June 28th and will spend a month in the West.

E. H. Wilde.

TELEGRAM



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St. Paul, Minn., June 12, 1923.

H A Noble - Glacier Park, Montana.

Larry Keane is here and Kenney and I both want him in Park this summer on account number special parties large and small, and account of his familiarity with Park and ability to fill most any position. I have talked with him about his reasons for leaving and Kenney will talk with you Friday about reinstating him. I hope there is nothing to prevent his returning to our service.

Louis W. Hill.

Copy to Mr W F Kenney,

Tramping Through Mountain Wonderlands

By Murray Olyphant

IN the far northwest corner of Montana there lies what is perhaps one of nature's most unique and startling masterpieces. Eons ago the earth cracked across its surface, and the western edge of the crack, mounting over the eastern, created a mighty cliff upon a hitherto unbroken plain. As the ages passed, frost disintegrated the surface, storms and rain washed away all the softer and broken portions, leaving only the hardest rock. Today there is a wilderness of jagged peaks rising sheer from the sides of narrow valleys and above the waters of emerald lakes. A geological freak, but a freak of surpassing grandeur. This wonderland is Glacier National Park.

Of all the national parks, Glacier presents the finest opportunity to those who love tramping. At comfortable distances there are hotels and chalets offering the essentials of life at moderate rates. Best of all, one goes from point to point; one does not go and come. Each pass, each trail, brings new views. Looking back on a recent trip I made, its variety stands out as perhaps the most remarkable character-

the easily graded switchback trails, an hour or two for luncheon, then down hill during the long afternoon to the chalet or hotel by 5.30 or 6. Eighteen or twenty miles is easy on such a schedule.

My companion on the way out was undecided about the tramp, but consented to try it for at least one trip. We walked it, and some day when we need to be cheered in mind and body, we shall walk it again. We could go back now. New trails are opened every year and will be for many years, since now less than a quarter of the park is really open and ready for trampers.

Early in the spring we made up our minds to do it. We left New York on a sweltering August afternoon and three days later got off the train at Glacier Park Hotel in a swirl of snow. A cold clear day followed. In the morning we drove to Two Medicine Lake by 'bus and in the afternoon stretched our legs by a walk of eight or nine miles to Upper Two Medicine Lake, a lonely sheet backed by a tremendous wall, the crest of which was obscured by sweeps of snow.

Next day we essayed climbing and took the trail up Mount Henry. Here was a pleasant surprise. The switchback trail was graded to perfection; although rising steadily and from every turn revealing to us more and more of that wilderness of jagged peaks and glistening jewel lakes which distinguish Glacier from other parks, it was easy climbing and augured well for the completion of our schedule as planned. So down we went, mounted the 'bus, and returned to Glacier Park Hotel.

The following morning found us boarding the train for the ride to Bolton along the park's southern edge. We were headed for Gunsight Pass across the Continental Divide. From west to east, one climbs from Lake McDonald to Sperry Chalet, dwarfed beneath rock summits and hanging between earth and heaven. It is an afternoon's walk, and then one rests for the night. The next day brought us through Gunsight Pass.

Gunsight Pass! Well named! A notch in a stupendous range. As we left, Lake McDonald lay dark beneath the shadow of the range. We crossed a ridge, wound around a shoulder, and Lake Ellen Wilson lay far below, cupped in a pocket by a wall of granite over whose edge the water falls apparently into a bottomless abyss.

Now, we see the pass ahead, can trace the trail as it zigzags up, a stone's throw away in that clean, sharp air, but an hour's walk to reach even its foot.

A night of rest at "Sun" chalets followed, and next day we went to Piegan Pass, peculiar for the noonday surprise. The trail crosses a long, bare slope, short in prospect, long in retrospect, ends on a small flat table, turns sharp to the right unexpectedly, and to

the left lies the superb Garden Wall. There are several such walls in Glacier and of their geological origin deponent knoweth not. Suffice to say that they are well named. Walls they are, sheer on both sides, rising for hundreds of feet, so thin at times that the setting sun shines through holes in them far below the top.

Here another trail leads to Iceberg Lake, above whose icy water there towers a mighty semi-circle of cliffs three



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Mist Falls, Glacier National Park

istic. Each day the scene changes, each day seems finer than its predecessor. In retrospect, it is difficult to determine which was finest or best.

These marvels are easily accessible, even to the Easterner, for a bare three days' trip by rail takes one from New York to Glacier Park Hotel, the starting point for a tour of the park. A week's walking will cover the outstanding attractions; two weeks is better, since it affords opportunity for half days of rest at some choice spots. But whatever the length of time, be sure it will be well spent. Moreover, one need not qualify as a long distance tramp. A start by 8.30 or 9, a comfortable steady gait on the levels and slight ascents, very deliberate climbing on



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Sunset on Mt. Wilber

times the height of Woolworth's famous tower, to Ptarmigan Lake, and to Granite Park, from whence the vast ranges spread on and on and the sunset shining over Heaven's Peak tempts one to stay at least another night.

Looking back over our trip, it seems to me that one of the chief charms of Glacier lies in the number of spots to be reached only a-foot or on horseback. Much can be seen by those who trust to gasoline for motive power, but the real joy comes to those who, resting at night by an open fire, swap the day's experiences with others who have similarly walked or ridden to reach their goal. All the glories of the park are open to the tramp or equestrian.

In her National Parks America has a rare treasure, all too little appreciated. Every year thousands upon thousands of American tourists make their way to Switzerland and other scenic regions abroad, without ever realizing what awaits them at home if they would but take the trouble to seek it. The wealth of scenic beauty, its accessibility, and attendant comforts and conveniences, ought to be better known. For my own part I rank Glacier National Park as the chiefest of our treasures, and it is a genuine pleasure to me to describe my own joys of discovery and experience.

St. Paul, June 12, 1923.

Mr. L. W. Hill:

Referring to conversation yesterday:

Enclosed find statement made out by Mr. Eakin, Superintendent, Glacier National Park, and copy of his letter to me with reference to the trip of the Congressional Appropriations party.

I would have felt a little better if in his foreword he had made more mention of the needs of the roads and less of forest rangers. Hope to see him in a few days and he will undoubtedly have everything lined up to give the Congressional Committee on Appropriations a complete statement of what is needed.

W. P. Kenney. ✓



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CHICAGO, BURLINGTON & QUINCY RAILROAD COMPANY

OFFICE OF PASSENGER TRAFFIC MANAGER,
Burlington Building,
547 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, Ill.

P. S. EUSTIS,
Passenger Traffic Manager.

June 14, 1923

Mr. L. W. Hill,
Chairman, Board of Directors, GN Ry Co.,
St Paul, Minn.

Dear Mr. Hill:-

We had some photographic reproductions made, of the paintings used in illustrating our Pacific-Northwest advertisements, and I thought they were very good, so I have had shipped to you, by express, charges prepaid, a reproduction of the painting: "How The West Was Won."

I trust you will find it satisfactory and give it a place on your walls.

Yours truly,

Passenger Traffic Manager

Dictated
by P S E

St. Paul, Minn., June 16th, 1923.

Mr. L. W. Hill:-

Mr. Flandrau has just received a letter from George Jennings telling him about the plans made to take care of Mrs. Flandrau and himself. I understand everything is satisfactory and he plans on leaving soon, possibly next week.

Will let you know definitely as soon as possible.

E.H.Wilde.

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June 16, 1923.

Mr. P. S. Eustis,
Passenger Traffic Manager, CB&Q RR Co.,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Mr. Eustis:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of the 14th inst., and I want to thank you for sending me the photographic reproduction of the painting "How The West Was Won".

I am very glad to have this reproduction and appreciate very much your thoughtfulness in sending it to me.

Yours very truly,

(SIGNED) JOHN W. HILL

June 18, 1923.

Mr. H. S. Davis, Publisher,
The Minot Daily News,
Minot, N.D.

Dear Sir:

I have yours of the 14th, enclosing article from The Minot Daily News, entitled "How and When Was Your Town Named?"

I think your series of stories about the origin of the names of North Dakota towns will be intensely interesting and of real historical value. I shall immediately make inquiry of the best informed Great Northern official, and you may count upon our cooperation in giving you all the information available. Will write you again in a few days.

Yours truly,

(Signed) M. L. COUNTRYMAN

MLC-B

St. Paul, June 18, 1923.

Mr. Louis W. Hill,

Chairman of the Board.

Dear Sir:

Please note the attached letter from the Minot Daily News, and the clipping entitled "How and When Was Your Town Named?" The News is getting up a series of these articles, and wants all the help obtainable from the Great Northern.

I am sending this to you, as I know you possess more knowledge of the origin of the naming of towns on the Great Northern than any one else in the general offices. I attach copy of my letter to the Minot Daily News. You will see I have promised him all possible cooperation. Shall be glad to have your suggestions.

Yours truly,

W. L. Montgomery

MLC-B

St. Paul, Minn., June 19, 1923.

Mr. M. L. Countryman:

Referring to your letter of the 18th inst., and returning herewith letter addressed to you by the Minot Daily News, together with clipping entitled "How and When Was Your Town Named?":

As regards origin of names of towns on our line, I give you below the names of some places, and, to the best of my recollection the source, but I believe Mr. Hogeland or Mr. Martin might be able to give you assistance on the subject.

Devils Lake,	Minnewaukon, Bad Spirit (Devil, etc.)
Larimore,	Farmer Larimore.
Doyon,	Pillsbury-Washburn man, (Elevator Agent?)
Churches Ferry,	Ferry over coulees.
Towner,	?
Minot,	Henry D. Minot, of Boston, Mass.
Saxles,	E. Y. Saxles, of Hillsboro, N.D.
Hansboro,	Senator Hansboro.
Gronna,	Senator Gronna.
Thorne,	Samuel Thorne, of New York, N.Y., Director, Great Northern Ry. Co.

As regards Minot: I understand Mr. Budd's office some time ago furnished someone at Minot with a picture of Henry D. Minot, and I believe they have a copy of a newspaper article covering early history of that part of the line, and, if Minot has not already been covered by the Minot Daily News, information from Mr. Budd's files might be of assistance.

Louis W. Hill.

Copy to Mr. Ralph Budd.

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Boston

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of Hinton

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Wm Farlow

Grove

John Grove

Thorne

James Thorne

Ex Director 1904

St. Paul, Minn., June 23, 1923.

Mr. G. S. Wilson:

I think we ought to have two or three old
Indian families at the Glacier Park Hotel grounds, for
newspaper men, until after July 4.

Louis W. Hill.

June 23, 1923.

Mr. J. R. Eakin,
Superintendent, Glacier National Park,
Belton, Montana.

Dear Mr. Eakin:

If you have not already noted, I thought you might be interested in the attached article on "Portable Pumps for Fire Fighting", appearing in THE FOREST PATROLMAN for June 12, 1923, published in Portland, Oregon.

I have understood these pumps have been very successful in Canada and I have been hopeful that Glacier Park would install them. I have tried in past years to interest the Department of the Interior, but I am not certain whether you have tried them as yet. I told Mr. Noble to get two, so that in case fire broke out, we could give it attention even if your department did not have the equipment. We lost one whole season for the lack of some such protection. I recall the year the Eaton party went from Two Medicine to Cut Bank, following up the bed of a stream; a fire started and ran all through the season, while it could easily have been put out by two men with one of these pumps. A great deal of money was spent on this fire, but the elements finally extinguished it.

Yours very truly,

(SIGNED) LOUIS W. HALL

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

GLACIER NATIONAL PARK

BELTON, MONTANA

June 26, 1923.

OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

Mr. Louis W. Hill,
Room 205, 344 Jackson Street,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Mr. Hill:

Thanks very much for the copy of The Forest Patrolman attached to your letter of June 23rd. Several types of these pumps have been suggested to us; Mr. Goodwin, Chief Civil Engineer of the National Park Service has witnessed trials of one which he thinks quite satisfactory but owing to the fact that our appropriations were materially reduced this year by Congress, we shall not be able to purchase any of them this year. Mr. Noble has very kindly offered his pumps for use in an emergency and we are keeping the offer carefully in mind.

Everyone who has witnessed these pumps in operation is enthusiastic over the results obtained with them; unfortunately most of our fires are too high up for their use but if a battery of them could have saved the Two Medicine fire the cost of their purchase would have been insignificant compared with the damage that was done.

Assuring you that we shall purchase some of these pumps as soon as funds are available, we are,

Very truly yours,

J. R. Eakin
Superintendent.

St. Paul, June 26, 1923.

Mr. L. W. Hill:

Referring to the attached in regard to relief map of the Monterey Peninsula.

This was received at the Glacier Park Hotel a few days ago, and has been unpacked and placed on exhibition in the lobby where it is attracting a good deal of attention and comment.

W.P. Kenney ✓

The Glockner Sanatorium
Colorado Springs, Colo.

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July 4th 1923

Am. Louis W. Hill

St Paul Minn.
My dear Mr. Hill:

As a member of the
Congressional party that recently
visited our National Parks, I desire
to thank you for the many courtesies
extended us by your road.
Col. Carrall and all your
employees did all in their
power to make our trip pleasant.
The outing was most enjoyable.
Again thanking you
for the many kindnesses shown
us. I am,

Very sincerely
C R Lewis

Representative from Georgia



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