

Personal



Mr. Louis W. Hill,

St. Paul, Minn.

% Great Northern Office.

Katipell, Montana
Nov. 21 1930

Dear Mr Hill:

A few minutes ago I was packing my bag and going to St. Paul to see you. I have only a few dollars, but I was going to take Grandmas pass. She'd never have missed it, for she does not use it anyway, and this need seems so great, that it would not have mattered now and if I could get help for Ginge that is what counts.

But I thought about it quietly for a while and I realized that if I can help him it must be without his knowing it.

He looks so sick with worry, I just could not bear it any longer without trying to do something for him.

I copied a letter he got from the First National at Great Falls yesterday and am

sending it to you.

Aren't they asking a great deal. I know money is tight but this might mean anything.

I know you are one of the most influential directors of the first National in St. Paul and would you please make them make their demands less drastic.

As I understand it they were to loan ten thousand and the First National at Great Falls another ten thousand.

I was sorry George did not get to see you when he was in St. Paul. He called at your office twice but you were out. He said you no doubt were busy, and if you had wanted to see him you would have sent for him.

I know George thinks more of you

than any other man in the world.
And if this were reversed he would do
anything in his power for you.

You know George has given service,
and tried to send every tourist home a
booster. His only fault has been that
he has been too altruistic and two
poor years in succession, as well as
an undercapitalized business have
caused this financial condition.

I love George ~~dearly~~. That is my only
excuse for bothering you for a few
more weeks of this worry and he
will be in his grave.

Letters are so often such poor
substitutes for a personal interview

and reading this over I'm afraid
I just am not able to tell or express
it well on paper.

You see the Bank of Commerce here is
no more. They have been absorbed
by the First National here. And the
Park Saddle Horse Co owed them eig-
teen thousand now and until next
June it will be ten thousand more
taxes, leases, wages etc. That is less
than it has been many years by
June first. You know George did not
have a manager this year and he
saved over seven thousand by watching
closely and cutting wherever he could
And this winter we are going to
live at Camp. Ino at Batt and that
will enable us to save some more.

For it is only by the most rigid economy that he can get by on twenty six thousand. 7

Marichu is at St Catherine's, it is her senior year. But the other two girls we were not able to send. I am proud of them and George Jr. They are doing everything they can to make it easier for George.

George wanted me to come to Kalisfield with him. Until this is settled. They know I am worrying over them, but they send the cheeriest letters. You would think their staying there, was a big luck. And they keep saying to George, "don't worry Daddy" God will see us through, were praying

hard for you. They are all each
sacrificing some pleasure and
offering it to Him.

I am telling you this to let you know
we are all solidly behind George.
When this letter came from Mr. Stev-
enson it almost broke George's spirit.
For he said "the Great Northern
don't like me, they have no confidence
in me."

Now you did not even know any
thing about it, did you? Mr. Lilly
or Mr. Stevenson may be trying to
drive a sharp bargain, but I told
him I was sure that neither you
or Mr. Kenney knew anything
about it. I wanted him to

send you both a copy but he would not.

You know he is not especially strong, and this on top of other things makes the whole world look dark.

He and Grandpa have built this business up from a shoestring, as they say, and have given good service. and the Great Northern would not let them down, so that if there was a third bad year they would lose out and have their concession signed away for twenty thousand.

George has been a good unselfish friend to you, and has not hesitated to put himself out for you when

ever you wanted him to do something
for you. I know that a man as
keen as you appreciates that, because
you know that a man of as great
wealth as yours will only have
few unselfish friends.

This gave me courage to write to you
and ask you to use your influence
so that they would not ask such
a price for a loan. Heretofore
in this town he has been able
to get it with a simple guarantee.
I pray God that this letter finds favor
in your sight.

I beg of you, do not let George ever
know I wrote it.

Sincerely Mary B. Koffinger

Copy of Mr Stevenson's letter of Nov 19th 30
(with 11-21-1930)

My dear Mr Hoffmeyer:

I have just returned from the Twin Cities. I think I would be interested in discussing your situation with you if you are still desirous of making the loan of which you wrote me November sixth.

I would want a real estate mortgage covering all the real estate of the Park Saddle Horse Company and a chattel mortgage covering your personal property and I would also want the stock of that company deposited with the bank as security with the understanding

that some person designated by the bank
should have the right to vote the stock at
a stockholders meeting in the event of
default in the payment of our loan.
We would also expect the paper to be
endorsed by the W. M. Hoffminger Company.

If you are interested in obtaining
the loan upon these terms I would
suggest that you get abstracts of title
for your real estate and come to Great
Falls so that we can go into the matter
in detail and prepare the necessary
papers. You ought to bring your minute
books of the two corporations with you
also.

Yours very truly

Sam Stephenson

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ST. PAUL DISPATCH - OCTOBER 10, 1930

Sight-Seers in National Parks Increase 138,021 Over Last Year

Washington, Oct. 10.—(P)—America's traveling public which visits the national parks was increased this year by 138,021 over the number a year ago.

For the travel year which ended September 30, a total of 2,818,618 visitors saw the national parks, as against 2,680,597 last year.

There was some decrease, however, in the number visiting the national monuments, with 466,075 as compared with 567,667.

Of the national parks, Yosemite was the most popular, with 458,566 visitors. Mount Rainier National Park was second with 265,620.

The decrease in the totals for national monuments was attributed by

the park service mainly to the abolishment last spring of Papago Saguaro National Monument in Arizona. This action was taken on ground that the monument was more suitable for state and local uses than as a national park. A total of 87,000 visited it a year ago.

The park service said payment to the national treasury of \$1,015,740 from park and monument revenues showed they are beginning to support themselves. This was the largest amount ever collected.

Despite the increase reported by the park service for all parks, the Interior Department last week said tourist travel in Yellowstone had decreased so much the bears had gotten fewer scraps of food and were not so roly-poly.

Areas Acquired For Glacier Park

Federal Acquisitions Expected To Simplify Administra- tive Problems

A gratifying start on the elimination of private lands in Glacier National Park (Montana) has been made with the acceptance by the Department of the Interior of deeds to approximately 140 acres of land at the foot of Lake McDonald, not far from Park headquarters. Altogether about 60 per cent of the land in this area has been acquired or is in process of acquisition. These acquisitions will simplify park administration and will also make possible the remedying of unsightly conditions that have prevailed around the foot of the lake. An allotment of \$198,000 of Government funds was used in arranging for the consummated and pending acquisitions.

Another important Glacier transaction is the deal to acquire the Lewis Hotel property near the head of Lake McDonald, which is now in process of completion. The Great Northern Railway Company has cooperated with the Government on a 50-50 basis in acquiring this very important private tract.

Still another elimination occurred through the purchase of two lots in Glacier National Park at a total cost of \$1,000, through the cooperation of several private citizens in the East in matching Government funds for this purpose.

These acquisitions are a part of the program of the National Park Service, approved by Congress, to eliminate as rapidly as possible all private holdings in the national parks.

(Issued by Department of the Interior.)

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NIGHT LETTER	WEEK END LETTER

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Send the following message, subject to the terms on back hereof, which are hereby agreed to

St. Paul, Minn., October 10, 1930

G. W. Noffsinger,
Park Saddle Horse Company,
Glacier Park, Montana.

Received your letter seventh As I am no longer
connected with Glacier Park Hotel Company suggest you try arrange
meeting Messrs Budd Kenney Jenks who are now on way West on
inspection trip by special train They are officers of company
Party will probably leave Minot tonight for West Hope they can
arrange things for you

Louis W Hill

Charge L W Hill
1127 G N Ry Building

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October 16, 1930

PERSONAL

Mr. C. W. Hoffwinger,
Park Saddle Horse Company,
Glacier Park, Montana.

Dear Mr. Hoffwinger:-

Receipt is acknowledged of and I thank you
for copy of the Notice of Sale of Blackfeet Indian Lands
to be held at Browning, Montana, November 18.

I have gone over this list and the only one
that I would be interested in is the Rollers-at-Night
Clearsup Allotment No. 389, containing 292.37 acres, more
or less, which is appraised at \$875.00. I am agreeable to
your bidding the appraised amount for this land.

In this connection, I will be glad if you will
let me know what success you had with Messrs. Budd, Kenney
and Jenks.

With kind regards and best wishes, I remain

Sincerely yours,

(SIGNED) LOUIS W. HILL.

PARK SADDLE HORSE COMPANY

Glacier National Park
KALISPELL -- MONTANA

—X 6

Glacier Park, Mont.
Oct. 20th, 1930.

Personal

Mr. Louis W. Hill,
1127 G. N. Ry. Bldg.,
St. Paul, Minn.

Dear Mr. Hill:—

I have your letter of the 15th and note that you wish me to bid on the Hollers-at-Night Clearsup allotment No. 889 for the appraised value of \$875.00. I will be very glad to give this my attention.

Have not yet been able to see Mr. Kenney or Mr. Budd I wired and bothered Mr. Kenney about all I dared to as I do not want to make a nuisance of myself.

Friday I went to Great Falls and tried the First National but the loan did not appeal to them. I have often thought of what you told me on several occasions and that was you would not give me a dollar for the outfit. It begins to look as if you were about right. We have lots of stuff that will inventory quite an amount but banks do not seem to want it.

I wired Mr. Hays at Denver and he will be here in a day or so to see me. He stated in his wire however that prospects for making arrangements were not good. This may be an attitude or he may have changed his mind. If he is at all fair will try and deal with him. If I were able and we made some kind of a deal would you be interested in an assignment of our reclamation lease around Lower St. Mary?

With kind regards, I remain,

Yours very truly,

G. W. Noffsinger

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a horse is born;
No four-wheel brakes,
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But hoofs take trails
that wheels don't know
With saddle cinch
and latigo. —X 6
C. M. RUSSELL '25



We own 2000 acres
of land would you be interested in buying it.
worth at such late

15-17
October 24, 1930

PERSONAL

Mr. G. W. Hoffinger,
Park Saddle Horse Company,
Glacier Park, Montana.

Dear Mr. Hoffinger:-

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of October 20, and I am sorry to note that you missed seeing Mr. Kenney and Mr. Budd while enroute West. I have talked with Mr. Kenney and he told me he is hoping to arrange this matter for you, so that probably someone has taken it up with you by this time.

I do not think that you should try to trade with Mr. Hays until you have found out definitely what the banks are going to do as you may not have to trade with him.

You ask if I would be interested in the assignment of your lease around Lower St. Mary. I thank you for considering me in this matter but I would not know what to do with the land as its principal value seems to me to be pasture for your horses.

I hope everything works out satisfactorily for you, and I think it would be a good thing for you to get an option on the stock belonging to your family, that is your mother and sister as I understand it. They must no doubt realize by this time that if something is not done their interests will not be worth much. While you may not be able to place it now, or any part of it, you would have a year's option and we all might help you to get some more active and interested associates.

With best regards, I remain

Sincerely yours,

(SIGNED) LOUIS W. HILL

Mr. Hill:

Mr. Noffsinger called at the office to see you this morning and said he had an appointment to see Mr. Kenney today after which he would like to talk with you. He said he ^{had} a conference with Mr. Kenney yesterday and also with some of the passenger department men.

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PARK SADDLE HORSE COMPANY

Glacier National Park
KALISPELL -- MONTANA

— X 6

Nov. 22nd, 1930.

Personal

Mr. Louis W. Hill,
1127 G. N. Ry. Bldg.,
St. Paul, Minn.

Dear Mr. Hill:-

I am enclosing a copy of a letter received from Mr. Stephenson and was very much surprised at its contents. I am not at all sure that we will take him up, it might be better to let the bank here foreclose and lose the Park Saddle Horse Company I am rather sure that it would pay out and that the Noffsinger Company would not have to dig up any money which might not be the case should I go ahead with his deal and we would be losing the company anyway.

It seems strange to me that they would impose such restrictions and conditions on us. If they do not have confidence in the management it strikes me that they should not now make the loan. It makes it very embarrassing here for me. The stock alone should carry the Park Saddle Horse Company except for the few shares outstanding and it should not be necessary to give a mortgage incurring and making it harder for us to get credit next spring when it is necessary to get groceries etc to start up. We cannot possibly make enough next season to pay this loan off. We would be betting pretty strong on the next season which you will have to admit does not look promising.

You have been bothered a good deal about this and I hate to do so but would like your advice. It strikes me that I would be very foolish to do as Mr. Stephenson requests and would like to know confidentially what you think of it.

I am going to get an option from the Noffsinger Company to-day or Monday, perhaps it will do no good but will do so anyway.

Thanking you, I remain,

Yours very truly,

W. Noffsinger
President

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PARK SADDLE HORSE COMPANY

Glacier National Park
KALISPELL -- MONTANA

—X 6

Nov. 22nd, 1930.

Mr. W. P. Kenney, Vice President,
Glacier Park Hotel Company,
St. Paul, Minn.

Dear Mr. Kenney:-

I am enclosing a letter received from Mr. Stephenson in regard to the loan of the Park Saddle Horse Company and will say that I am greatly surprised at the terms he wants and am just wondering if it is your desire or wish that we give this security.

This amounts to our turning over the Park Saddle Horse Company, lock stock and barrel to them in case we default in the payment of the full amount next fall and I now know that I will be unable to pay all of this loan off by next fall because I cannot possibly hope to make that amount of money. Also I feel that it does not repose a great deal of confidence in me and it makes it rather embarrassing for me here with the directors of both companies.

It is perfectly all right to give the mortgage although I have borrowed as high as \$33,000.00 on open notes for this company but I realize times were different but as stated I cannot reasonably object to the mortgage and will give it although it will make it embarrassing for the company and in addition the Noffsinger Company will endorse the note for the full amount which I feel should be ample security. As a matter of fact the Park Saddle Horse Company should be able to borrow something on its own note with the assets it has.

As the matter stands I have arranged for the bank here to carry me for \$5000.00 by giving a mortgage on three lots (You realize of course for the W. N. Noffsinger Company to endorse this company's note for \$20,000.00 automatically reduces its borrowing power to nil) and with the \$20,000.00 I would get from Great Falls this would make a total of \$25,000.00 or just \$1000.00 less than is necessary to see me through and when I stated I needed \$26,000.00 I figured very, very close and do not see how I can possibly get along with less unless the Hotel Company would be willing to carry me for \$1000.00 on the account we owe them. Unless I can get things arranged so that I will have enough money I will

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be in trouble.

The Directors of the Noffsinger Company feel that Mr. Stephenson is making a pretty sharp bargain and if we accept we should be able to get all amount from him.

Rather than do this we would much prefer to sell out at a very reasonable price if that were possible. Personally I would not be opposed to turning our company over to you with the right to vote it as you saw fit as I have every confidence in you. For us to stake practically every thing we have on next season is quite a gamble especially when the prospects for next season are not all promising.

I want to be fair and square and have always tried to be but there is a question in my mind if we would be doing the right thing in accepting Stephenson's proposition.

I should be very pleased to hear from you further in this matter.

Yours very truly,

G. W. Noffsinger

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK

Great Falls, Mont.
Nov. 19th, 1930.

(Copy)

Mr. G. W. Noffsinger,
Kalispell, Mont.

Dear Mr. Noffsinger:-

I have just returned from the Twin Cities. I think I would be interested in discussing your situation with you if you are still desirous of making the loan of which you wrote me on Nov. 6th.

I would want a real estate mortgage covering all the real estate of the Park Saddle Horse Company and a chattel mortgage covering your personal property, and I would also want the stock of that company deposited with the bank as security with the understanding that some person designated by the bank should have the right to vote the stock at a stockholders meeting in the event of default in the payment of our loan. We should also expect the paper to be endorsed by the W. N. Noffsinger Company.

If you are interested in obtaining the loan upon these terms, I would suggest that you get the abstracts of title for your real estate and come to Great Falls so that we can go into the matter in detail and prepare the necessary notes. You ought to bring the minute books of your two corporations with you also.

I am,

Yours very truly,

(Signed) Sam Stephenson
Presid nt.

PARK SADDLE HORSE COMPANY

Glacier National Park
KALISPELL -- MONTANA

—X 6

Nov. 29th, 1930

Personal

Mr. Louis W. Hill,
1127 G. N. Ry. Bldg.,
St. Paul, Minn.

Dear Mr. Hill:-

I am happy to report that I have to-day gotten an option from my mother and sister on their interest in the Park Saddle Horse Company. This stock, of course, is owned by the Noffsinger Company and it is from that Company that I got the option, my mother and sister signing. The option is all right and runs for one year as you suggested.

Would like very much to do something with this so that my sister at least could get her share as she really needs the money quite badly and it would take quite a load off of me. The quicker the better so far as she is concerned.

Putting up the stock with the First National Bank of Great Falls, of course, might complicate any deal as could not deliver stock unless I could pay the bank off.

Hayes is still after the stock and got a letter from him recently but if I can hang onto the outfit for myself would like to do it but would like to work it so that my sister could get her money in some way.

Yours very truly,

G. W. Noffsinger
President

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C. M. ROSSER '25



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St. Paul, Minn., December 9, 1929.

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Mr. L. W. Kask

Mr. H. W. Kask:-

Relative to the Joe Scheuerle pictorial map, prices have been secured from the Louis F. Dow Company for 100,000 copies, cost \$3000.00. I understand that they will print this as soon as some minor changes are made.

Some changes are to be made and Mr. McGillis left St. Paul Friday evening for New York and took the map with him. He will see Mr. Scheuerle on his trip and direct him to make the changes as suggested by executives. We will advise you further relative to the status as soon as Mr. McGillis returns.

To date Mr. Scheuerle has not been paid any sum for the work he has done. Mr. Scheuerle will be paid as soon as the work is finished and his bill is rendered.

O. J. McGillis.

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GERBER & CROSSLEY, INC.

ADVERTISING

281 TWELFTH STREET, PORTLAND, OREGON

December 30, 1930

Mr. Louis Hill, President
Great Northern Railway
St. Paul, Minnesota

Dear Mr. Hill:

The Portland Chamber of Commerce has assigned us the job of compiling and writing a new booklet entitled "Oregon and the Pacific Era".

This booklet is needed immediately, as a follow-up piece in answering inquiries produced by the national advertising of On-to-Oregon, Inc.

It will summarize Oregon's resources--industrial opportunities--distribution facilities; and in brief will present economic highlights showing why Oregon is a better place to live, to work, and to play.

It will be 6 x 9 inches and 32 pages in size.

We are asking thirty representative citizens to each make a statement for quotation; one statement together with photograph of the author will be used at the bottom of each page.

In this connection, we are attaching a separate sheet, outlining a statement which we would like you to subscribe to, or rewrite in your own words.

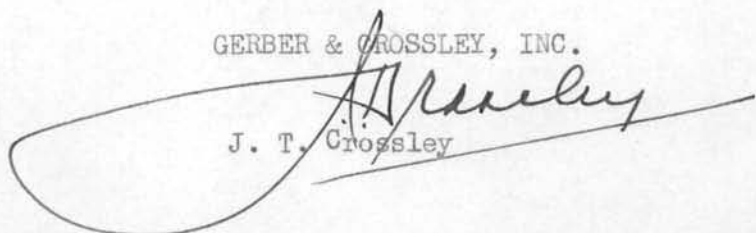
As this follow-up piece is a dire necessity at this writing, we would greatly appreciate it if you will allow us to run this, or a somewhat similar statement, giving us the name of the photographer who made your most recent portrait, signing attached sheet and forwarding it to us by return mail.

Thanking you, we are,

Yours very truly

GERBER & CROSSLEY, INC.

J. T. Crossley



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