

Mr. Hill:

[8-3-36]

Mr. Lengby phoned the following information this morning:

The Diningroom and Kitchen at Two Medicine was completed in 1915,
and the cost was \$10,876.

The Diningroom and Kitchen at St. Mary's was completed in 1914,
and cost \$10,662.

8/3/36

M.C.

Glacier Park Station, Mont.
August. 25, 1936

Mr. G. W. Noffsinger
Agent: Mr. L. Hill

Dear Sir:

I respectfully submit the following report upon the surveys which I made for Mr. Hill in the following Townships and Ranges in the districts designated:

Outbank District:

Allotment 1852-Formerly owned by Divingaround in Section 16
Allotment 1922-Formerly owned by Joseph Home Gun in Section 15
Allotment 1925-Formerly owned by Strikesback in Section 23
All of these allotments are located in Township 33 North and Range 13 West. I ran the boundary lines of these claims; located all of the corners; staked one side on the creek, both sides of the Highway, and a few intermediate places all of which will be shown upon a plan of the same to be forwarded to you when completed.

Two Medicine District:

Staked the following:

Section 1 Township 32 North Range 13 West
Section 36 Township 33 North Range 13 West
The NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 25 - - - - -
NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 25 - - - - - All in Township 32
SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 24 - - - - - North Range 13 West
E $\frac{1}{2}$ of the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 23 - -
E $\frac{1}{2}$ of the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 23 - -
Also claim 889 in Township 32 North Range 12 West

Around all of these boundaries, Transit lines were run, the brush cut, all corners staked, all Highway crossings and creek crossings staked, and all lakes, streams, and springs were located.

St. Mary's District:

The work begun last fall was completed by staking the back line which was left uncompleted last fall due to the early snow.

I surveyed completely around allotment 1852, known as the Samuel Smith Allotment, staked all corners including the 1/16th corners, made topographical surveys of the southern 40 Acres of the above mentioned claim and also a semi-topographical survey of the remainder of the claim showing the elevations of all of the high points, also the location and elevations of your building sites wherever they could be determined, location of the lakes and their approximate areas. I traced the streams to their sources all of which will be shown on a plan which will be forwarded to you upon completion.

I also made a topographical ^{survey and} plan of the twenty-three acres which you purchased last fall and the elevation of the spring. All elevations shown on the plans will be calculated from the elevation of St. Mary's Lake as given upon the U.S.G.S. topographical survey maps, i.e. 4460 (four thousand four hundred sixty) feet.

Ample water to supply all of your building sites could be easily piped from the creek which passes through the SE corner of the twenty-three acres above mentioned. The source of this creek is approximately five hundred feet above the water level of the lake.

This stream runs through the southealy portion of Allotment 2133, and the southwesterly portion of Octave Gulick's claim, the northeasterly corner of claim 3010, and the most northwesterly 40(forty) acres of claim 1852, crossing the section line between Sections 23 and 24 at approximately the quarter corner.

It would not be necessary to go to the head waters of this creek for your water supply as there is at present ^{an} approximate flow of one thousand gallons per minute where it enters Octave Gulick's claim. The elevation at this point is well over one hundred feet above any of your building sites.

It would require approximately one mile of six inch wood stave pipe to deliver the water to your building site in the south forty acres of Claim 1852 and possibly the same quantity of pipe would be necessary to carry the water to the building site on the twenty-three acres. This is a far greater supply than you could be able to get from the spring which is located east of the twenty-three acres, although the spring has an elevation seventy-five feet above your building site.

I have had considerable experience installing water systems, the most recent one being a complete water system for the town of Hot Springs, including the location of the intake, the erection of a two hundred thousand gallon steel tank, a conduit line of nine thousand feet and a distributing system of approximately twenty thousand feet of cast iron pipe. This water system has prove very satisfactory and the Board of Underwriters of Montana have rated this town by giving it sixth place in the entire state for fire protection.

More recently I have engineered the installation of a sixty thousand gallon steel tank to be used for irrigation purposes in the Conrad Memorial Cemetery of Kalispell.

Should you wish to have me furnish you a plan for a gravity water system for your building sites, I would be pleased to undertake the same, making the surveys necessary, giving you the estimated cost of a small dam, an intake, and possibly a small resevoir or tank.

It has been necessary to send for plats from the Highway Commission and the U. S. Bureau of Lands in Helena, but this should not delay the completion of your plans more than ten days from date.

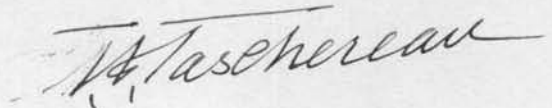
I covered approximately fifty miles of line which was necessary to complete this survey as outlined above. A large portion of this was through brush and small timber. During the work my headquarters were at Glacier Park Station which seemed to be the most convenient and reasonable place to stay. I am planning to return to Kalispell tomorrow and can be contacted there at any time thereafter.

I am anticipating that this report and the plans will be satisfactory to you in every way.

Very truly yours,

T. A. Taschereau, C. E.

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P.S.

I had the misfortune of having my Transit stolen from my car just as I had about completed this survey. I am hoping to be able to recover it, as this is quite a loss to me requiring the output of some two hundred and fifty dollars to replace. I fear that it has fallen into the hands of youngsters who may harm it beyond repair. However, I plan to make all effort to find it which may delay my return to Kalispell for a few days.

VAUGHT, FOREMAN & CLEARY
ATTORNEYS AT LAW
205-206 PROFESSIONAL BUILDING
JACKSONVILLE, ILLINOIS

L. O. VAUGHT
O. N. FOREMAN
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Sarasota, Florida,
March 23, 1937.
P O Box 1658.

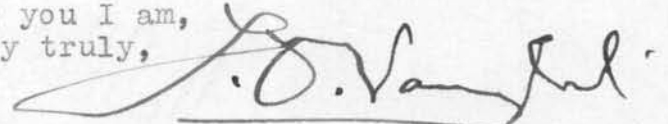
Mr. L. W. Hill,
St Paul, Minn.

My Dear Mr Hill:

I am still digging into the Early History of the Glacier Park region. I should like very much to get into touch with some one who can give me at first hand something of the physical conditions along the G.N. Ry. at the time of the location and building of that road through Marias Pass. So far as you know- or can learn from the G.N. men - is there now living any of the engineers, or others, connected with the G.N. construction? Or any of the Contracting force? Of course Mr John F Stevens is living and he has given me all that he remembers. 1890 is but 47 years ago. Surely there must still be living some of the young engineers, linemen, etc, etc,, and some of the officials and employees of the Contractors, who were engaged in the work of building that section of road. Any suggestion you can give as to locating these, or any assistance along this line, will be greatly appreciated.

Who at this time among the G N officials is the "historian"?

Thanking you I am,
very truly,



L.O. Vaught.

Mr. Lewis Hill
Saint Paul Minnesota.

Glacier Park Montana
April 6th 1937.

Dear Mr. Hill;

Naturally you are interested very much in the East entrance of "Glacier Park Montana" You have been here, I know, and not alone just here but over a great part of the country; The people who are interested in this place, truly enjoy to see it a very gorgeous attractive little paradise, we have the coolest climate, we have wonderful things to be thankful for, and the more attractions we can create for the great lot of millions the better will be the tourist season; Did it ever come to you, we have a great many thousands upon thousands, of "Writer's in the U. S. and some are wealthy? while thousands upon thousands, are not wealthy? nor have all writer's sold all their stories? Now dont that give you a great loop for a sensation? a great thrill? you can give thousands upon thousands fo writer's? especially beginners? by this system.

Have a Writer's Club organized, thru a great glowing advertisement, letting the world of writers know of the great organization, right here at Glacier Park; I have one block of ground its not far from your depot about a blocks distance; I want to get it fenced in swell, and have a writer's club House especially to entertain the club members in, serve club dinners etc; in order to get writers interested to join its a good plan to offer prizes for the best stories, say have the ad run something like this, enclosed writeup and have that in News Papers also in the most Popular Magazines, and I feel it will bring a great lot of thousands of writers right to Glacier Park;

Even you could have specials or call them excursions, expecially

call it "The Authors Special, and tell me if that would'nt be something worthwhile" even if you had the fare less think of the great lot of thousands upon thousands of writers that would come to Glacier Park to be entertained at the wonderfl place I plan to call,----

The Mountain Breeze Writer's Club House' it will be a great grand day of the opening first day of the club House; Now then see the great lot of money that would flow into your line of business say if thru the summer fourty or fifty thousand Writers come to the Mountain Breeze Writer's Club House, most will come on the Passengers, by a special Author's train see the point? the U. S. is alive with writers, and you might as well get them interested by the great lot of thousands to come here to Glacier Park by the specials; It can very nicely be done all thru running great glowing News of the "Organization of a writers club etc.

The large place I have is all in one piece of ground, its made to order for just the finest place as I have in mind; imagine a large club house setting in the South East corner and all the grounds of the block have that in the most gorgeous flowers and green lawn, such a place will add to cheer the lot ot tourists, instead of a set of eyesoar log dumps.

Please read over the enclosed writeup and if you dont think its a boost to Glacier Park, I'll miss my guess, I feel you will consider it better to encourage parties in life, then break their spirit.

You know its everyones nature to look into the future with great inspiration, naturally if writer's read such "News wont they look into it? we cant gain a thing by setting like a bump on a log, we get no where, so as I say there a great lot of thousands ~~and~~ thousands of writer's, why not get them "especially interested in Glacier Park; I'll get the Club House ready and serve swell dinners, if the "Great Northern roles them in, it will boost business for them and for "The Mountain Breeze Writer's Club Organization; I am not known to the world as you are, so if you are

keenly interested and can realize what a great lot of thousands upon thousands of writers will come here, why you will anyhow answer me.

The more activity there is going on at the East entrance of Glacier Park the better for the Great Northern, if everybody left here, The R. R. would sure not take in a thing; Now then if a fine club House is built here, it will take even a lot of material for that, and lots of groceries by the car load lots will have to be rushed in if the club organization turns out as glowing as I have in mind it will. Well I hope Dear Mr. Hill I can get you interested;

Please read over the news I wish to send out in News Papers and Magazines, all about the Writer's Club Organization, and if you are much interested in such an organization as a Writer's club, dont you also believe its O. K. to ask a "Membership fee? and offer a prize for the best stories? to club members?

Imagine if fourty or fifty thousand writers will join, think of the lot of money each club member paying \$2.00 fees; twice twenty five thousand club members even see that lot of money? and if ten thousand dollars are given for the best stories, its a case the club manager is not a whole hog is all? lots of clubs are organized in the U. S. and the club members will not be given such an opportunity to get prizes, but by joining the "Mountain Breeze Writer's Club Glacier Park Montana, the club members will forever after get some good out of their invested club fees. for a Publishing House will soon be eablished here, and such a place is ever after buying stories so by the writers joining, they are building up a great business for themselves to a certain extent see?

Can I get in contact someway, with you? to tell me if you will be enough interested to sign your name to the enclosed ~~in~~ Writeup that I want to get advertised; You understand if your name is on it, The Editors will run the news at once as you are so well known; Please answer very soon; Very Truly.

Clara A. Smiley Glacier Park Montana. Box 602.

Clara A. Smiley

(4-6-1938)

*** (Glacier Park, "News, To Writer's, Especially Beginners")

\$10,000.00 For Best Stories, Will Be Paid;

The Rocky Mountain Publishing House Will soon be established
At Glacier Park Montana; To get acquainted with writers
we have organized, "The Mountain Breeze Writer's Club" and if
Twenty Five Thousand Writers join, "For The Best Stories
\$10,000.00 will be paid to club members; So get your Membership
card \$2.00 fees, and send in all the stories you wish; any kind
of story and length will be considered; Please type your stories
but if impossible, write stories in good plain hand. Contest
closes Dec. 31st 1938.

Write To, - The Mountain Breeze Writer's Club
Manager, C. A. Smiley Glacier Park
Montana Box 602.

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GREAT NORTHERN RAILWAY COMPANY

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

F. J. GAVIN,
PRESIDENT

ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA

December 2, 1939.

To the Directors:

Referring to discussion at Board meeting November 20th in connection with the situation at Glacier Park which terminated with the understanding I would meet with the National Park Service and Secretary of the Interior and after considering all the factors make recommendations to the directors by letter.

Met with the National Park Service, and later with Secretary of the Interior Ickes, in Washington on Monday, November 27th. Explained our situation quite thoroughly, calling particular attention to the unsuitableness of the Great Northern Railway being required to invest money to provide facilities in the Park to take care of the automobile tourist traffic.

The attitude of the Park Service, and particularly Secretary Ickes, is that it is inconceivable the Great Northern Railway Company would jeopardize its reputation in cancelling a contract, or a part of it, with the United States Government, the very essence of which was to take better care of visitors in the National Park by establishment of more modern and extended facilities. The National Park Service take the attitude the new contract was entered into for this particular reason and to provide facilities for the automobile tourist and that the time to have objected was when the contract was being negotiated and not now after the Park Service has gone ahead and developed locations for tourist camps at Lake McDonald and Roes Creek on the strength of the contract.

In a few words, the feeling of the Secretary (and he has a very strong feeling along these lines, not only as far as the Park is concerned, but everything else) is that Glacier Park is now a resort for the well-to-do and people who

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can afford the hotels and has entirely neglected taking care of the poorer classes. The Secretary said Glacier Park was a high hat park and there was no place for the poorer people to go inside the Park with result they had to stay outside in questionable places and he was very desirous of making it possible for the poorer classes, and particularly tourists traveling in automobiles, to be able to stay inside Glacier Park proper in camps operated by responsible people and it was, in his opinion, up to the Great Northern Railway to provide such facilities.

While I gave no assurance at all that we would provide the facilities, was able to reach an understanding with the National Park Service that if we finally decided to do so we would not be called upon at this time to provide the facilities at Lake McDonald and Roes Creek in their entirety, but would start off with one-third of the investment and then develop as the business warrants. In addition to this it is desirable to construct a cafeteria at present location of the auto camp at Swift Current.

It is, therefore, my recommendation that I be authorized to proceed, starting work in the spring, with construction of facilities at Roes Creek, Lake McDonald and a cafeteria at Swift Current at an estimated outlay of \$140,000 which will provide facilities in the Park for people who travel by automobile and cannot afford to, and will not, stay at the hotels.

Feel it would be a mistake not to carry on in Glacier Park with the United States Government. Our failure to do so would not only hurt us in the Park, but for the present at least, would hurt us with the Government in Washington. Your approval is requested.

Very truly yours,

Mr. L. W. Hill,
Great Northern Railway Bldg.,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

J. L. Carr

*Auto Camp
at Swift Current
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