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GAME OF CHECKERS BEING PLAYED

WASHINGTON, IDAHO AND MONTANA ARE SCENE OF GREAT RAILROAD ACTIVITY.

Spokane, April 17.—Eastern Washington, central Idaho, and western Montana are the checker-boards upon which Hill, Harriman and Earling are playing the game of modern railroad building.

The Chicago, Milwaukee & Puget Sound Railway company, which expended \$100,000,000 in completing its transcontinental line through Washington, is also making a fight for feeder territory in this state, Idaho and Montana.

It is also definitely announced that the Milwaukee will build direct into Hanford, on the west side of the Columbia river, and may in the near future formally announce its intention of reaching the Yakima valley.

There are more than surface indications that the Johnson Electric railway between Nez Perce and Vollmer, Idaho, now nearing completion; the Northwestern Lumber company's road, projected from Vollmer into the Craig mountain timber district; the Clearwater Timber company's road projected from Orofino into the great timber district of the Clearwater country, are links in a planned system that when completed will give the Chicago, Milwaukee & Puget Sound and Harriman roads a direct line from Butte or Missoula, Mont., to Portland, Ore., through the Clearwater country, with feeders extended to serve the greatest tonnage producing districts.

Engineers Active.

Engineers are now active on the Northwestern Lumber company's road and on the Clearwater Lumber company's road. The latter is a Weyerhaeuser concern, while the former is said to be closely related to the Monarch Lumber company, and subsidiary to the Milwaukee.

The two timber companies are now ready to begin operations, and by the time the rails are installed and in operation the Harriman and Milwaukee interests could be in a position to provide the necessary transportation into the markets not accessible under present transportation facilities.

Northern Pacific officials are wondering what part in the game will be played by the Lewiston & Southern Electric company, promoted several years ago, and of which little has been heard lately.

The Johnson road between Nez Perce and Vollmer follows the Lewiston & Southern railway between those points, and, in fact, has appropriated the constructed grade work without any protest on the part of the Lewiston & Southern.

It is also definitely known that in the last two years all the engineering data of the electric project has been in the Portland office of the Oregon Railroad & Navigation company and that less than two months ago an inspection of the route was made by the O. R. & N. engineers.

As for as the public is concerned the interests of the electric road are now held by the Commercial Trust company, which is headed by Joseph M. Keatings, a New York banker, who came to Lewiston less than a year ago to make his residence.

Keatings is known to be one of the original promoters of the plan of establishing a terminal at Lewiston and was before the city council upon several occasions to secure concessions for the franchise then being prepared. It is also known that he has been deeply interested in Lewiston establishing its title to the riparian rights lying between the Northern Pacific right of way on both the Snake and Clearwater rivers, and the meander line.

Compiling Data.

The engineering department of the city of Lewiston has been engaged several weeks compiling data preparatory to making a definite move along these lines, and while these movements have been a matter of speculation for some time, recent developments seem to have stamped the whole movement as parts of the Harriman plans. If carried to a successful conclusion this will practically route Hill from his Clearwater stronghold.

Important in the consideration of these conditions is the fact that several weeks ago, parties engaged in the operation of an oil drilling plant located in the Willamette valley in Oregon said to be Harriman agents, visited the Nez Perce prairie on matters pertaining to the Johnson electric road. After their return to Salem they gave an announcement to the effect that they had acquired the

Johnson road and that aside from immediately completing the line from Nez Perce to Vollmer, an extension into the timber district would be commenced at once.

The connection between the Johnson road and the old Lewiston & Southern project appears to have existed from the beginning of the Johnson construction, and for some time it has been generally believed that in the event of a rupture in the plans for joint operation between Riparia and Grangeville, the Harriman interests would tap the Craig mountain and prairie districts by the construction of the road planned by the electric company. It is now generally understood a break in the plans has resulted and it is believed that within the next few weeks Harriman will be working openly in all directions.

OPTICIAN HERE FROM ST. PAUL.

Newton H. Schweiker, who until recently was superintendent of the largest optical house west of Chicago, arrived in Missoula from St. Paul and intends to open an optical business here within a few days.

Mr. Schweiker thinks the optical business is still in its infancy and says progress has been slow until within a few years when many new discoveries were made, the different subjects have been sifted and resifted until now, and by the many new devices of recent years, the most difficult cases can be absolutely corrected by any expert.

Mr. Schweiker is a graduate of several of our country's best optical schools and is a master in his profession, having studied the various branches of theoretical and physiological optics, in addition to this he has learned the practical end of the business, having worked up from the lens grinding and frame making departments to that of foreman, which position he held for five years. He says few opticians have this experience and therefore cannot judge the perfection of the work that goes through their hands; he intends to put his manufacturing experience to use by doing a great deal of his grinding as soon as he has the necessary machinery installed.

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ENLARGED HORIZONS NEEDED

INTERESTING SERMON ON MISSIONS IS PREACHED BY REV. DWIGHT S. BAYLEY.

Yesterday morning at the First Congregational church Rev. Dwight S. Bayley preached on the subject, "Enlarging One's Horizon." The text was taken from Isaiah 43:6—"I will say to the north, give up; and to the south, keep not back." Mr. Bayley spoken in part as follows:

There is a strong natural tendency to be self-centered in one's various self-motives and the social and economic conditions under which we live also prompt it. Many of us lead a little, petty treadmill life. We do a lot of going, but fail to get very far. Our horizon is narrow, our vision short and self-centered. In our social life we have a few friends with whom we constantly associate, but we neglect to enlarge the circle of our friendship. Intellectually our activity is largely limited to the line of our work or our hobby. Religiously we know more or less of, and participate more or less in, the activities of our own church, but know little and do still less regarding the great worldwide progress of God's kingdom.

The Message.

The words of the text came from Jehovah to the people of Israel at a time when, because of sinfulness and misfortune, they were much scattered and their hopes of national pre-eminence seemed almost dashed. The substance of the message, of which the text is a part, is this: "Lift up your eyes, quicken your spiritual perception; see that I am God your saviour, and know that I will yet bring your scattered people together and cause you to fulfill your destiny. If any of my children are in the north I will command it to give them up; if any are in the south, I will call upon it not to hold them back. Look abroad and see that I have many children; and know that I have power to call them all unto myself." It was a call to enlarge their horizon.

Surely we need to hear this call. We need to enlarge our horizon. So-called we need to enlarge the circle of our friendship; indeed we should make this circle a continually enlarging one. We should seek the friendship not only of the few congenial souls who live near us or who came from the same town back east from which we came, but also of every newcomer and chance acquaintance who comes athwart our path. For this society would be the richer, and we ourselves would be larger souled and happier than we are.

Intellectually, also, we should enlarge our horizon. We should acquaint ourselves with many facts lying outside the circle of our trade or business or profession. We should quicken our minds by bringing them in contact with the great minds and the great facts of history and science. We should acquaint ourselves with the great onward sweep of God's

kingdom throughout the world. This intellectual expansion is not merely for the sake of the broadened culture which it would bring, but is primarily to lay the foundation upon which we may rear the structure of a vastly enlarged spiritual vision, a mightily quickened spiritual sympathy.

A New Comprehension.

A widening of the spiritual horizon would bring to many a new comprehension of the extent to which Christianity is spreading among alien peoples. It would show hundreds of thousands of Africans, Chinese, Japanese, Indians, Turks, Persians, and the like worshipping the same God we worship and acknowledging the same Christ we acknowledge. It would arouse a new sympathy with, and enthusiasm for, the work of Christian missions. Indeed, we all need to lift up our eyes and see that God has children in the north, in the south, in the east and in the west, children of different colors and conditions upon whose hearts He is moving mightily, calling them to Himself.

No man can be widely cultured nor have a wide spiritual horizon who is not increasingly conversant with, and interested in, Christian missions. But such an interest, such a spiritual horizon, can be had from no other place than the cross of Christ, for there is in this a dynamic, a motive of divine love without which interest in missions cannot live. It is a striking fact that the so-called liberal churches and the modern free religions such as Christian Science and Divine Science, have no missionaries. No church which does not magnify the crucified and risen Christ is, or has ever been, a missionary church. Their spiritual horizon is narrowed and selfish. Christians, then, should stand faithfully near the cross, the supreme symbol and witness of God's love, and should lift up their eyes and enlarge the horizon of their spiritual vision and interest.

SOLOIST IS ILL.

Cedar Falls, April 12.—Special.—Warren Proctor, who has been touring the west with the Iowa College Glee club, which appeared at the Harmon theater a month ago as an attraction of the university lecture course.

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FLORA OF THE HILLS ATTRACTS

HUNDREDS VISIT MOUNTAINS AND OTHER SHOW PLACES ON IDEAL DAY.

Yesterday was ideal. The sun rose clear in the morning, and from the time when Mount Sentinel ceased to cast a shadow from the eastern sun until the ragged summits of the Bitter Root range extended long fingers of darkness over the valley not a cloud obscured the sky. The great snow banks on Mount Lolo, 25 miles away, shimmered in the sun as though nearby. A slight haze permeated the atmosphere, but distant peaks and ranges stood out clearly and boldly to view. The temperature was mild, 56 being the registered maximum. The warm sun, the clear atmosphere, the bracing air, all combined to make a perfect spring day, with spring fever, spring hats, automobiles, buggies, golf carts, and other Sunday spring evidences of civilization.

Every one seemed to be out of doors in the afternoon. The fortunate possessors of automobiles put them to use. Horses and buggies were in abundant evidence. Bicycles were everywhere. Those less fortunate kept to the sidewalks, although the roads were frequently used since they are not yet dusty and are in ideal condition.

Open Is Favored.

While the streets were thronged with pedestrians they did not confine their walks to the city, but spread in every direction. Greenough park was a favorite place, and hundreds sought the benches in the shade of the trees, as wandered along the banks of the beautiful Rattlesnake. The creek water is clear as crystal with not a trace of sediment. It stumbles over its rocky bed with soft music which never tires, and which every man, woman and child in Montana loves to hear. Thousands of people watched the deer in their little pasture, the owls and eagles in their cages, or the bears in their den.

But perhaps the most popular tramping place was water works hill, north of the city. Hundreds of people of all ages and both sexes swarmed over the slope, along the sides and in the gulches, their variously colored garments vying with the flowers on the ridge in color and beauty. And the visit to the hill was well worth the effort. The grand panorama of mountains, their snowy summits glistening in the clear sunlight, the waters of the streams spreading over the plains like bands of burnished silver, the green lower slopes of the ridges and the beautiful valleys, the city lying so quietly and so beautifully at the mouth of Hell-gate canyon, made a picture of wondrous beauty and inspiring grandeur.

Beautiful Scenery.

Nature has been lavish to Missoula with her beautiful views, and the carpet of the hills is no less beautiful

than the hills themselves. Just now it is a carpet of pink, made by the bunches of Mountain primrose growing in such abundant profusion. This delicate little flower, *Dongiasia Montana*, thrives best on the summit of the ridge, creeping over the sides only a short distance, and giving its densest growth and richest color on the highest part nearly 1,000 feet above the valley. It is just now at its best, and crowns the summit and the ridge with such a profusion of pink flowers that the carpet color is visible miles away. A little later and the bare summit of Mount Jumbo across the Rattlesnake valley will have a similar color from the same cause, but will be visited by fewer people.

Here and there among the primroses a yellow turf shows conspicuously, the four petals and six stamens proving conclusively that they belong to the cruciferae or cross bearers. A tiny white crucifer disports itself occasionally, and is added to the collections made by visitors, hats, aprons, buckets, newspapers and spacious pockets are made use of to carry away the loads of hardy spring flowers which are made to grace so many homes for the week.

Rotation of Flowers.

Later the pink of the primrose gives way to the white of phlox, then to the purple and blue of penstemon, and lastly to the brilliant yellow of the arrow-leaved balsamorhiza.

Lower down, in the sheltered and moist places, the delicate yellow buttercup has been in evidence for weeks, and not infrequently patches of the little saxifrage, so generally called snowflake, *Tellima tenella*, dot the slopes with their splashes of white. The catkins of the willows, alders, birches, cottonwoods and quaking aspens hang pendant from the drooping branches of trees, the sun's genial warmth opening the flowers wider with each passing day.

Spring flowers, spring grasses, swelling and opening buds, and fluttering butterflies and busy bees are now to be seen on every hand. Such a perfect day as yesterday gave to every one an opportunity to revel in scenery and to see our spring flora in all its beauty.

JAPANESE WILL AID IN TRADE EXTENSION

Chicago, April 18.—The Japanese government will aid in every possible way the Chicago Association of Commerce in its trade extension program at the Chicago day at the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific exposition, which occurs June 1, according to T. Tanaka, Japanese consul at Seattle, who is here.

It is the intention to meet the special train of Chicago business men in Portland, accompany it to Seattle and there arrange a meeting with leading Japanese citizens, both from Japan and the northwest, to discuss ways and means of promoting trade between Chicago and the Orient.

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