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WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 1909.

**AUF WIEDERSEHEN.**

The representatives of the German singing societies, who have been the guests of Missoula for several days, this morning are on their homeward ways. Their presence in Missoula during the week has been a distinctive honor that is thoroughly appreciated. It has been the endeavor of Missoula to give the visitors ample opportunity to enjoy their stay here, and it is hoped that there is not one of them who does not take away with him pleasant memories of the University city. It is, perhaps, a selfish wish, but Missoula would be glad if she might have the chance to entertain these folks every year upon the occasion of their annual saengerfest. They have been easy to entertain; it required no effort to make them at home; their music has furnished Missoula with thorough enjoyment. We hope that we may see them again, and that right soon. And so, as they take their leave, we say "Auf wiedersehen."

**WESTWARD BOUND.**

President Taft starts this morning upon his long westward journey. All along his extended route there awaits him a welcome such as has seldom in the history of this country been accorded to any man. The president is beloved by the people of his country; they have learned to trust him and to place reliance and dependence upon his word. In the face of difficulties, which not many of us appreciate, he has won the enviable reputation of making good. The tour of the country which starts this morning had its origin in Mr. Taft's desire to obtain, first hand, the opinions of people regarding matters of importance which are soon to be decided by congress and by the executive departments. Mr. Taft is the president of the whole people; his desire to administer well the affairs of the country knows no sectionalism; his earnest aim is to do what is right. Wisely he has cast aside his atlas; we of the west have the same rights and privileges with him as have the people of the east. The north and the south are one people with him. And he is the president of all of us.

**THEY MUST GO.**

The situation in Missoula, as it relates to the secretaries, is not changed. There are many of this dispicable class here and they must be driven out. A good start has been made in the cleanup during the past ten days; the county attorney has prosecuted vigorously the cases that have come up, and the sentences that have been imposed have been of a degree of severity that will tend to make the members of this worse than worthless class a little more cautious. They have been insufferably bold; since The Missoulian has voiced public sentiment against them, they have become threatening. They are a pack of curs; their threats are not worth heeding; the only point is that matters have reached a pretty mess when one of this class of unmentionables has the presumption to talk back. They are driven out of other towns in Montana; Missoula appears to be their last place of refuge in the state. It is up to the local officers to make them walk the plank here. Missoula, of all towns, should not harbor these contemptible wretches.

**UNION PACIFIC.**

The course of the eastern markets since the death of Harriman shows how thorough is the organization which the great railway financier built up and how complete were his preparations for the continuance of his policy and the execution of his plans in case of his removal from the sphere of activity which he had occupied for so long. The rally of the Morgan forces to the protection of the market on the morning following the death of Mr. Harriman furnished proof of the precautions that had been taken. That the future has been safeguarded in like manner is the belief of eminent financial authorities. The view of

Henry Clews may be taken as indicative of the opinion of other bankers. Mr. Clews says:  
"The general financial atmosphere has been greatly clarified by the death of Mr. Harriman. His illness had for weeks been the source of depression and distrust in stock exchange circles; his precarious condition was fully appreciated in well-informed quarters, where it was known to be only a question of time when science could do no more. The end came, perhaps, rather more suddenly than generally expected, but it did not come unawares; and Mr. Harriman's friends and associates, as well as those whose interests are tied up with his by the mutual responsibilities of finance, have had ample time to prepare safeguards against unnecessary excitement and demoralization in the stock market. When a market leader dies there is usually a popular disposition to look for liquidation of his security holdings. Experience has again and again proven this view to be erroneous. Men of large affairs like Mr. Harriman may always be depended upon to leave their estates in excellent shape and under competent direction."

The greatest appreciation of the excellent program for the teachers' institute comes from the pupils of Ravalli and Missoula counties, to whom it means a vacation.

The fact that New York's reception of Dr. Cook will not be enthusiastic will not dismay the explorer. He is used to chilly receptions; the pole gave him one.

As in other conspicuous instances, the laudation of Harriman would have been more to the point if it had come when he could have appreciated it.

One French scientist seems to us to have sounded the keynote. In his declaration that the polar controversy is senseless, as the pole is useless.

Missoula is the natural distributing point for electric light as well as for other commodities that are needed in western Montana.

W. G. Conrad, named by Governor Norris to represent Montana at the waterways convention, will add weight to the session.

President Taft starts this morning upon his tour through the country of his friends, for his friends are everywhere.

The apple show will be the greatest boost western Montana ever had if the people will make it what it should be.

We are not much on golf out here, but we will greet Mr. Taft none the less cordially on that account.

Meanwhile, we renew the assertion that Mayor Logan knows what he is doing, and he is doing it well.

Evidence that Peary appropriated Cook's supplies is accumulating at a rate that is ominous.

When Stevensville gets her electric light from Missoula, she will see many things more clearly.

The fruit and produce of western Montana will make a great show if properly displayed.

Cook and his Eskimo are, up to date, entitled to as much credence as Peary and his Eskimo.

The fact that Mr. Taft is such a good fan leads us to overlook his golfing tendencies.

Everybody in western Montana should have a personal interest in the apple show.

Not least amongst the week's events of interest are the sermons of Dr. Breeden.

As the bridge reaches across the river, we listen intently for the electric cars.

The Missoula maencherer won a lasting place in our affections.

Boost daily and hourly for the Western Montana Apple show.

The echoes of the saengerfest listen good.

**ROAD WILL IMPROVE BRANCH LINE**

**NORTHERN PACIFIC TO BUILD NEW BRIDGE OVER MISSOULA RIVER.**

The Northern Pacific is planning, in connection with its Lolo pass construction work, to improve the Bitter Root branch as far south as Lolo and, incidentally, to build a new and higher bridge over the Missoula river. This information was brought out by the recent movement toward the establishing of a grade crossing over the Bitter Root tracks at Pine street. The franchise granted by the city to the road specifies that at any time the city so desires the railroad company shall build crossings over such streets as are blocked by the Bitter Root tracks. The council recently started a movement in this direction for a crossing at Pine street, and the railroad company answered by saying that the improvements which they planned to make would raise the grade there so much that a grade crossing could easily be maintained. This move has been under consideration for some time and

the building of an important line across the mountains from Lolo has made its completion a necessity.

The Puget Sound, too, is planning to construct a transfer track there in order to facilitate the switching of cars from one road to the other, and this fact will add to the importance of the bridge. Engineer Ray of the Northern Pacific is in St. Paul, so it is impossible to determine just how soon the work will be started. It will not be long, however, and the completion of the work will mean much to the people along the branch.

**PUGET SOUND BUYS YARD SITE**

**HEAVY PURCHASES OF ROAD SEEM TO MARK MISSOULA DIVISION TOWN.**

All doubt which has been manifested in the division headquarters problem on the Puget Sound seems to have been lost at last, and, to all appearances now, the hopes of Alberton have vanished. For weeks the road has been buying property in the vicinity of the Van Buren street bridge, until the land in that part of town has all been purchased, and Monday evening the attorneys for the road petitioned the council that the streets which run through their newly-acquired property be closed. Colonel Marshall, who presented the petition, said that it was the intention of the road to make a lot of improvements on the land; whether they are to be in the form of shops and headquarters is so far only a matter of supposition. The company's engineers refuse so far to say anything on the subject, but they will not deny that this is the intention of the company.

Missoula is the natural division headquarters. Alberton is a little town, located 30 miles up the river, in the mouth of the canyon, without ample yard or shop room and with no accommodations for the division offices, in case the headquarters are placed there. The officials themselves are strongly in favor of having Missoula the division point. The work which has been carried on at Alberton is evidence in itself. The new depot, just finished there, and in which it has been proposed to place the division offices, is of the same type as the other stations along the line and is only large enough to accommodate the local forces, without any thought of the division offices. The roundhouse there is only a small, five-stall structure of wood, while the coal docks are but little better.

All of these facts point strongly to Missoula as the headquarters town and it is very likely that work will be started within a few weeks and that it will be of such nature as to confirm the statement that the division offices are to be retained in this city.

**FOWLER UP VALLEY.**

Acting Superintendent Fowler went up the Bitter Root yesterday on a short inspection trip, returning to Missoula late in the evening.

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**WILLIAMS INSPECTS SPOKANE ROUTE**

**MILWAUKEE OFFICIALS EXAMINE THE ROAD'S HOLDINGS IN THE CITY.**

Spokane, Sept. 14.—H. R. Williams, president of the Chicago, Milwaukee & Puget Sound Railway Company, and Chief Engineer Pearson were in the city inspecting the probable route of the Milwaukee into Spokane. With James Walsh, who had charge of the buying of the terminal grounds of the Milwaukee, on Front avenue, Mr. Williams and Mr. Pearson went over all the ground. The inspection was made especially to familiarize Williams with the grade separation problems that will have to be solved.

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