

### DELAY OCCASIONED BY SLEEPER

CONDUCTOR WILDE MAY BE PUT IN CHARGE OF SIGHT-SEEING TRIP.

The Northern Pacific passenger department is figuring on installing a sight-seeing automobile to meet Conductor Wilde whenever he brings No. 3 into the city. On Mr. Wilde's last trip into Missoula he listened to the appeals of the passengers and held the train in Missoula for two hours, while repairs were made to a sleeper. Yesterday Mr. Wilde repeated his courteous act of the other day and No. 3 remained in Missoula for two hours and the passengers were given an opportunity of observing the sights of the Garden City. Repairs were made on the sleeper Dakota while the passengers roamed the streets.

A bulletin received at the Puget Sound office yesterday announced that President John R. Toole of the Big Blackfoot railway had appointed P. C. Hart, general superintendent; E. H. Barrett, assistant general superintendent, and C. H. Marshall, superintendent. The appointments went into effect on December 12.

J. H. Pifer, Northern Pacific ice contractor, was in the city yesterday and conferred with local officials in regard to beginning the work of cutting ice at Blossburg. It is probable that the first cut of Blossburg ice will be made this week.

Superintendent A. M. Burt of the Northern Pacific left for Helena yesterday morning.

A. J. Hillin, division freight and passenger agent on the Milwaukee, was in the city yesterday.

Conductor R. H. Stratton of the Northern Pacific returned to Missoula yesterday from Kansas City, where he was called on account of the death of his mother.

Conductor E. F. Wilburn of the Northern Pacific has reported for duty after a few days' sick leave.

Superintendent Marshall of the Puget Sound leaves this morning for Deer Lodge where he will inspect a new oil tank which is being installed at that point.

J. H. McCarthy, timekeeper in the local Puget Sound office, is thanking his lucky stars that he has a lot of work to do. Last Saturday was the day on which Mr. McCarthy was billed to go east on his vacation. Work, however, was piled up to such an extent that he couldn't see his way clear to make the trip. As a consequence he sits at his desk and makes the fur fly. If he had left on schedule time he would have been caught in the wreck at Odessa. This is not the first time, says Mr. McCarthy, that work has interfered to save him from being a participant in a wreck.

### "BUM NODES"

The manager of one of the motion picture theaters announced last evening in introducing a special number by his orchestra that during his trip through Russia several years ago, where he had been the guest of the czar at a concert given by the Imperial Symphony orchestra, he had

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been much pleased with one of the numbers played, and mentioning the fact to his majesty, had been presented with the score of the music. The local orchestra had spent considerable time practicing on the number. One lady recognized it as strikingly similar to the tune which her husband attempts every Sunday morning as he is dressing for church. The piece was entitled "The Village Orchestra," being a collection of pieces which are familiar to everybody and is really a difficult thing to play, as the music is written to represent the efforts of an amateur bunch, carrying with it a full equipment of what Bill Shakespeare used to refer to as "bum notes." It was decided hit.

This music was used to open the performance but no announcement was given at the time and a few of the people in the theater who had never heard the orchestra play before grabbed their hats and hit for the fresh air outside, thinking the musicians in earnest. Those who lingered were highly pleased, the piece bringing down the house.

### COMMITTEES APPOINTED.

Corvallis, Dec. 15.—(Special).—President Hopkins of the Corvallis Chamber of Commerce, yesterday appointed the members of the different working committees of the chamber as follows: Finance, M. L. Chaffin, chairman, R. W. Fisher, E. Morgan, E. M. Cobb, E. F. Kemper, publicity; C. H. Bowman, chairman, C. E. Carson, Rev. G. L. Horne, J. E. Walker, Rev. Robert Lee Lewis; membership, Emmett Hawker, chairman, Ben Rowe, L. N. Brooks, George Hudson, W. R. Myers; transportation, Joe Bowden, Mike Humble, Carl Magul, H. W. Hall, W. E. Walker. The next meeting of the chamber will be held December 27, when several matters of importance to the town will be discussed.

### VISITING ATTORNEYS.

Hamilton, Dec. 15.—(Special).—The hearing of the Bass creek water case, which was begun this morning in the district court, brought a large number of out-of-town lawyers into Hamilton. Among the number are Judge Frank Woody, Frank Woody, Jr., Elmer E. Hershby, Harry Parsons and H. C. Stiff of Missoula and George T. Baggs, J. J. Cameron and C. H. Calkins of Stevensville.

### SMALLER TOWNS WIN IN ESSAY CONTESTS

Helena, Dec. 15.—(Special).—Several months ago the state board of health offered three first prizes, \$20 in cash, and three second prizes of \$13 each, for the best and second best paper on the "Evils of the Dirty Back Yards," "Tuberculosis, How Spread and How Prevented," and "Evils of the House Fly." Hundreds of papers from all parts of the state were submitted. The winners whose names were announced today all come from the smaller towns of the state. The winners:

"Evils of the Dirty Back Yards," Miriam Calloway, Virginia City, first prize. "The House Fly," C. Powell, Virginia City, second prize; Ernest Willis of Bald, Missoula county, second prize. "The House Fly," Powell, Virginia City, first prize; Robert Gattis, Creston, Flathead county, second prize.

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### MAY PRACTICE LAW.

Helena, Dec. 15.—(Special).—The supreme court has not yet finished marking the papers of the applicants for licenses to practice law in Montana, who recently took the examination, but some of the papers have been finished, and today the names of five who were successful were announced. Three of these are from Helena, the others being R. Justin Miller of Missoula and L. O. Johnson of Hamilton.

### BOY SCOUTS TO HOLD SECOND MEETING

ANNUAL SESSION WILL BE MARKED BY PRESENCE OF BADEN-POWELL.

The second annual gathering of the leaders of the Boy Scouts of America and the first big review of the boy scouts themselves will begin on February 9 next. On that day Lieutenant General Sir Robert S. Baden-Powell, founder of the British boy scouts, will join the leaders of the Boy Scouts of America for a conference and soon afterward, accompanied by James E. West, chief scout executive of the Boy Scouts of America, will begin a tour to review hundreds of thousands of scouts through the country. He will do several important things. He will confer with the leaders, giving them the benefit of his years of experience in handling boys; he will address parents, telling them the aims of the scout movement and what it can accomplish; he will talk to the boys face to face and watch their drills.

In connection with Baden-Powell's visit, the second annual meeting of the national council of the Boy Scouts of America will be held in New York city February 9 and 10. The members of the national council will gather for a discussion of the future plans of the scout movement. At the same time there will be meetings of scout commissioners, representing the different local councils and also of scout masters who have direct charge of the boys. On February 9 there will be a banquet and reception to Baden-Powell. On Saturday February 10, more than 5,000 boy scouts will gather in New York to give a demonstration of scout activities in the presence of General Baden-Powell and the leaders of the scout movement. On the same evening the general will give an illustrated lecture on "Scouting in Peace and War." Ernest Thompson Seton, chief scout, and Daniel Carter Beard, national scout commissioner, will take an important part in the conferences and the exhibitions in New York.

At the end of the session in New York General Baden-Powell and Chief Scout Executive West will start on a tour of the country from New York to San Francisco. They will spend from February 11 to March 13 in their tour visiting the important cities and scout centers.

General Baden-Powell, under the auspices of the Boy Scouts of America will meet face to face hundreds of thousands of boys. Arrangements are being made by which the Boy Scouts may see and hear Baden-Powell and give exhibitions in his honor. He will lecture to them in 20 or 25 of the principal cities. Those lectures will be for boy scouts and their parents, for the leaders of the scout movement have decided that no expense shall be incurred by the scouts themselves in having an opportunity to visit with the hero of the British Boy Scouts and the man who has done so much for millions of boys throughout the world.

Chief Executive West is arranging for the trip of Baden-Powell and hopes to have many thousand scouts gathered from surrounding suburbs and nearby towns every city where Baden-Powell will stop. It also will be Mr. West's first tour of the hundreds of thousands of boys in his organization.

### STEVENSVILLE NOTES

Stevensville, Dec. 15.—(Special).—Mrs. C. E. Jamison, who has been very ill for several months, passed away yesterday at 3 o'clock. She leaves, besides her husband, five children; Frank, who is in Nevada; Harry and Roy, Mrs. Williams of Salt Lake City, and Mrs. Shade Harding. Miss Helen Metcalf returned yesterday from visiting in Eugene, Oregon. Mrs. Thomas Holloway of Florence, was a visitor in Stevensville, Saturday.

### FIRE ALARM TESTED.

Hamilton, Dec. 15.—(Special).—A false alarm was turned in yesterday forenoon by the fire department to test the system of alarm. Every member of the department was required to report at the fire station to report on the working of the system. Chief Higgins reported this morning that the report was very favorable.

### TO ADJUDICATE WATERS.

Hamilton, Dec. 15.—(Special).—A case for the adjudication of the waters of Bass creek, located in the Stevensville neighborhood, was begun this morning in the district court. There are a large number of parties interested in the suit. The hearing of the evidence in the Mill or Lyons creek case was completed on Saturday.

### SUCCESSFUL SHOOT.

Hamilton, Dec. 15.—(Special).—The Hamilton Gun club held a successful turkey and duck shoot at the club grounds in Pine Grove addition yesterday. There was a large attendance of club members, and the more lucky of the shooters are now devising ways and means for disposing of their surplus birds.

### MRS. GEBEAU VISITS.

Hamilton, Dec. 15.—(Special).—Mrs. H. Joe Gebeau, wife of Hamilton's reliable baseball pitcher, arrived yesterday from her home in Anaconda, for a short visit at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Timmons.

### FOREST STATION OPENED.

Corvallis, Dec. 15.—(Special).—The new bungalow for the forest rangers has been completed on Willow creek, eight miles from this town. Last Friday evening the building was given a house warming, 25 being present. The

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### CHARMING EVENING WRAPS

Coats and Capes, in fine broadcloths, in evening shades, with trimmings and some lined throughout with satin of contrasting color; in rich, black velour and corded silk, with velvet trimmings and satin linings, in contrasting colors; \$15.00 to \$65.00.

### Christmas Waists

Special Holiday purchases of these always-popular gifts. Newest things in plain and hand-embroidered tailored waists; made from fine Madras and limes; \$1.50 to \$6.75.

### Silk Petticoats

A gift sure to please. Here in taffetas, plain and Roman-striped mesalines; some made with Jersey tops; accordion and knife-plaited ruffles and trimmed with fringe; all colors; \$4.50 to \$10.00.

### Silk Kimonos and Breakfast Gowns

Pretty, practical presents can be selected from our splendid Holiday showing of these dainty garments.

Long Kimonos, in plain and figured China silks, soft taffetas and mesalines, in all colors; in shirred waist, loose and Empire back styles; \$7.50 to \$22.50.

Short Kimonos, in plain and fancy silks, lace trimmed; \$3.50.

Short Kimonos of finest all-wool nuveveling; \$5.00 to \$7.50.

Breakfast Gowns, in pink and blue China silk, with lace-trimmed breakfast caps to match; \$20.00.

### Bath Robes She'll Like

They're made from soft, warm and cozy blanketing, wool finished or all-wool, in plain or neat figured patterns; some have large sailor collars, pockets and deep cuffs with satin trimmings, and belt and neck cords to match; others are quite plain, with only a soft roll collar. \$3.95 to \$8.00.

Children's Bathrobes, \$2.75 and \$3.00.

### Sweater Coats For All

Something serviceable, like a Sweater Coat, cannot fail to be acceptable.

Women's and Misses' Sweater Coats, all styles, \$3.50 to \$8.50. Children's Sweater Coats, all styles and colors, \$1.25 to \$3.50.

### OSTRICH PLUMES AND HATS

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This store will be open evenings all week.

### ORVIS MUSIC HOUSE

evening was spent in social games. W. H. Young is at present located there by the forestry department. The building is a fine one, costing in the neighborhood of \$2,000. Winthrop Burch, who has been assisting Ranger Young, left recently for California, where he will remain until March, when he will return to the valley.

MILLER LEAVES.

Hamilton, Dec. 15.—(Special).—E. E. Miller, local manager for the Mountain States Telephone and Telegraph company, left this morning for the upper part of the valley, where he will look after the company's interests.

LIMBERMAN COMING.

Earl H. Clapp, assaistant in silviculture at the Washington office of the

Santa Ana, Cal., Dec. 15.—By the terms of four documents filed in the county court here, Nat Goodwin, the actor, has settled all claims held against him by his former wife, Edna Goodrich Goodwin, for the sum of \$20,000, to be paid in three installments. It was agreed, according to the papers filed today, that Goodwin would dismiss the suit he brought in Los Angeles against his former wife and she, in turn, was to relinquish all claim she had had against Goodwin, arising from an agreement, signed in London, for an equal division of Goodwin's property.

TO SAVE SUFFERING.

Chicago, Dec. 15.—Establishment of an \$20,000,000 fund to be used in case of disaster by fire, flood, earthquake

or mine explosions in any section of the country is under way, according to Edgar T. Davies, chief factory inspector of Illinois. Davies said that Congressman W. W. Wilson of Illinois would introduce a bill providing for the fund in January. The plan, according to Mr. Davies, provides for an annual tax of \$5 against each listed business in the United States. There are now 1,500,000 concerns in the country.

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