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## Fast Coast Limited Jumps Track at Switch

### Northern Pacific's Banner Train Number Two Three Cars and Engine Badly Smashed Some Miraculous Escapes

What was, without doubt, one of the most remarkable railroad accidents that ever occurred in this part of the state, was that which took place yesterday morning at 10:55 o'clock when the North Coast Limited, train No. 2, the Northern Pacific Railway company's crack flyer, jumped the track, presumably on account of a broken or misplaced switch frog, a few rods west of the east Barry street crossing, just as it was steaming into the yards from the west.

#### Cars Badly Twisted

From the position of the engine and the three cars—mail, fish and perishable express cars—it appears that the engine left the track at or beyond the switch which is used for the hauling of coal up Clough street to the electric light plant and the N. P. pumping station. The fish car, which was comparatively light, followed the engine; while the mail car was thrown completely across the main line track, the rear truck evidently hugging the rails while the forward trucks went into the switch after the engine and fish car. The impact almost tore the forward end out of the perishable freight car and demolished the dynamo and electrical apparatus which supplies electricity to the train.

#### Remarkable Escapes

Both the engineer, Sam E. Burns, and the fireman Iver Benson had remarkable escapes from instant death, as the engine evidently leaped from the switch tracks and buried its nose many feet in the dirt bank alongside the main right of way. Immediately after leaving the rails the engine fell on its right side with both men inside the cab. That they were not both killed is another of those inexplicable miracles which any of the old timers on the road could tell you about. They crawled from under the engine badly shaken up and much begrimed from the coal and mud, but otherwise uninjured.

H. J. Sage of St. Paul electrician on the train, had a narrow escape when his dynamo was thrust through the forward end of the express car.

Sam E. Burns is one of the oldest and most reliable enginemen in the entire service, and that he stuck to his post and stopped the train as soon as he did, speaks volumes for both his courage and efficiency.

#### The Crew

The train was in charge of Conductor W. J. Mulligan, one of the oldest and most popular conductors on this division and Elmer Martin was the rear brakeman. The mail clerks, one of whom had his foot crushed and was badly bruised and shaken from the impact, were Karl Olson of Jamestown N. D., and his assistant, whose name could not be learned. Superintendent T. H. Lantry was immediately notified of the accident and had a crew of laborers on the ground within a short time dismantling the engine and getting the damaged cars ready for removal from the track. At the present writing, Wednesday afternoon, officials of the road claim that the train will leave on its eastern journey about 6 o'clock.

#### Some Noted Passengers

Dr. J. G. Moore of Bismarck, N. D., district superintendent for the Methodist church in this territory, had his back slightly wrenched when thrown from his seat in one of the day coaches. Beatrice Howard Mackay, a prominent Miles City artist on her way to Wibaux, was among the passengers. She was not hurt, as none of the passenger coaches or Pullman cars left the track. Emmett Harrigan of Minneapolis, chairman of the General Grievance committee of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, was also a passenger.

#### Officials Present

Besides Supt. Lantry, the following officials were on hand and assisted in the work of clearing up the debris for

### MEDORA BRIDGE FOREMAN WRITES COUNTY SURVEYOR

County Surveyor R. T. Hurdle received a letter early in the week from W. R. Veigel, the superintendent in charge of the construction work on the new Red Trail bridge over the Little Missouri river at Medora, from which it can be seen how the work on the new structure is being done. As quite a number of people in Glendive and vicinity are interested in a number of ways in the early completion of the bridge, the Monitor takes pleasure in printing the letter herewith.

Mr. R. T. Hurdle,  
Glendive, Mont.:

Your letter was forwarded to me here where I have been about two months.

The bridge work is going slowly. So far they have the east abutment done; in pier 1 the concrete is in 10 ft. and form up for the other 18 ft. Pier 2, the concrete is in 5 ft. form for top of this is not up. We put the base of this pier one foot deeper than plans to get deeper into the clay.

The west abutment is excavated to the water level and sheeting partly driven. They are now pouring concrete in pier 1, building form on pier 2 and excavating west abutment. Five carloads of cement have been shipped in and the floor joists and all lumber are on the grounds.

We must have some more gravel soon and I wish you would let me know if you can buy it up there and send some men to load it and about what it would cost. I have been writing to a party at Gladstone, N. D. and I think we could get some gravel there but it will cost us \$2.00 per yard on car at Gladstone. The commissioners told me to get it where I could get it the cheapest, therefore I would appreciate it if you would look it up and write me soon. I have only one copy of the shop drawings of the bridge but think I have two prints of the general plans and will send you one under separate cover. If I have none I will write Mr. Bliss to send you one.

Yours truly,  
W. R. VEIGEL,  
Supt. of Construction.

the resumption of train movement: Thomas Flynn, trainmaster; Benj. Johnson, master mechanic; and Daniel Sinclair, traveling engineer, and they will no doubt all be called upon to become members of the investigating committee which will report to headquarters in St. Paul.

### GLENDIVE BOWLERS NEARLY WIN FROM CHAMPS

Following their defeat by the narrow margin of 10 pins at the hands of the strong Wibaux "five" at the opening contest of the season held in Wibaux several Sundays ago, the Glendive Bowling club's fast team turned the tables by defeating the Beaver Valley boys on the home alleys last Thursday by the score of 2459 to 2379, a safety margin of 80 pins, in a three game match.

They also showed their prowess on the local alleys Sunday when they came within 13 pins of winning from the Miles City five, the three times champion bowling team of the state. The local bowlers are very well satisfied with their showing against the pin smashers from the Custer county metropolis, as they have held the championship against all comers for the past three straight years, while the Glendive team is a new one. A return game will be played with the "champs" at Miles City on Sunday, December 5.

The scores for the past two contests follow:

| Three Game Match     |      |
|----------------------|------|
| Wibaux—              |      |
| Jones .....          | 502  |
| Elliott .....        | 454  |
| Peterson .....       | 474  |
| Jeffers .....        | 467  |
| Chappell .....       | 452  |
|                      | 2379 |
| Glendive—            |      |
| F. D. Mack .....     | 551  |
| J. C. Nelson .....   | 486  |
| M. G. McDowell ..... | 483  |
| N. Schope .....      | 479  |
| W. Wagner .....      | 460  |
|                      | 2459 |

| Five Game Match |      |
|-----------------|------|
| Miles City—     |      |
| Nigro .....     | 943  |
| Kitts .....     | 854  |
| Reynolds .....  | 839  |
| B. D. K. .....  | 824  |
| Edson .....     | 714  |
|                 | 4177 |
| Glendive—       |      |
| McDowell .....  | 900  |
| Mack .....      | 859  |
| Nelson .....    | 857  |
| Schope .....    | 837  |
| Wagner .....    | 761  |
|                 | 4164 |

George Pederson, the Circle automobile dealer, was in town last Friday on business.

## Thanksgiving Day Fittingly Celebrated

### Union Services to be Held at Methodist Church Restaurants Prepare Tasty Menus Dance Thanksgiving Eve.

There is every probability that the celebration of Thanksgiving day this year will be more generally observed by the people than for many years past. Crops generally have been, if anything, above the average; by far the greater percentage of grain in the county has now been threshed; the most of the farmers have disposed of a large share of their grain and after paying their urgent indebtedness still have a neat tidy sum left over. The air of prosperity in the city for the past several weeks rings true and farmers were never before known to buy so heavily from the local merchants.

#### Thanksgiving Turkeys 'Aplenty

There will be no dearth of the festive Thanksgiving turkey on the menus of either the city or country people. Nearly all of our nearby farmers have raised more than enough of the good old white-meat-fowl for their own tables and have had enough left over to help supply the local markets. They are bringing from 15c to 18c wholesale, and the markets are selling them at retail to the people dressed and ready for the savory roaster at 25c. The railroad boys are working full time and then some, and their generous buying around town has helped considerably in the improvement of business conditions.

#### Around the Festive Board

Of course there is no way of exactly knowing, but it is estimated that several hundred or more people without families have been invited to sit around the festive board and partake of the many goodies provided by their hosts and hostesses. The beauty and goodness of this practice can not be over-estimated. Many are hundreds or thousands of miles from their home and loved ones and they therefore deeply appreciate the opportunity to be with friends on the occasion of the annual recurrence of the day of

Thanksgiving originated by our Puritan forefathers.

#### Cafes Prepare Tasty Menus

The menus at all the public cafes and restaurants in the city are particularly attractive. The Hotel Jordan, of course, furnishes the most elaborate spread of all and one can be sure to fully satisfy the inner man amid the most pleasing and inviting surroundings by dining at the popular hostelry. The hotel lunchroom as well can be depended upon to furnish a most appetizing meal for a small sum. Friends of the Bungalow on west Bell street opposite the Monitor office, will be glad to know that Mrs. Fred Jensen has re-opened the dining room and has added a neat lunch counter. Tommy Myiao at the Grill in the Leonard block has also prepared a splendid menu for his many customers which will be sure to please.

#### Union Services Before Noon

The religious feature of the day has been by no means forgotten. The people will have a splendid opportunity to offer up their prayers and give public thanks at the Union services which will be held in the Methodist church at 11 o'clock Thanksgiving morning. A most interesting and instructive sermon appropriate to the day will be delivered by the Congregation minister, Rev. W. L. Meizer, and all are cordially invited to attend.

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#### LADIES AID SOCIETY TO HOLD BAZAAR

The ladies of the M. E. church will hold their bazaar on Friday and Saturday, Dec. 3d and 4th in the Widmyer building. Many pretty and useful articles as well as homemade goodies will be on sale. Also a beautiful display of Japanese goods. Coffee and sandwiches will be served.

## This Is "Building-In" Time

OUT-DOOR BUILDING OPERATIONS ARE NOT SO VERY PLEASANT THESE DAYS, BUT WORK CAN BE DONE INSIDE. THIS IS THE TIME TO GET THAT BUILT-IN BUFFET, THOSE SHELVES, THAT KITCHEN CUPBOARD, AND ALL THOSE OTHER REPAIRS AND REMODELINGS YOU HAVE FIGURED ON SO LONG. LET US GO OVER THINGS WITH YOU AND GIVE YOU A PRICE ON THE JOB. IT WILL BE A LOT LESS THAN YOU THOUGHT.

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