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## J. J. Hill, The Railroad Magnet, Is Called To His Reward

### SENATORIAL RACE IN THE LIMELIGHT

The return of Senator McCumber to the state has renewed interest in the contest for the United States Senator. The many elements of political uncertainty entering into the situation only lend energy to the political gossipers. The entrance of Nestos into the race is interesting, largely because it adds a further element of uncertainty. It is generally conceded that he cannot win but from whom he will draw the bulk of his vote is a problem which worries politicians. It is generally conceded that he will draw more votes from McCumber than from Hanna, but just what the relative strength of the two principal candidates was before his entrance is also a bone of contention among politicians.

There is considerable evidence that Hanna is gaining strength rapidly over the state. While his trip with the Peace Party is looked upon in some quarters as having weakened his candidacy, yet shrewd politicians are of the opinion that when the votes are counted this guess will be changed. The great mass of the reading and thinking public of North Dakota do not want war and it is believed that they will give Governor Hanna full credit for his endeavor to assist in bringing about peace sentiment. It is contended that those who are thoroughly horrified with the present European war and those who will grasp at any straw to create sentiment against war will be influenced by the Governor's attitude. On the other hand, he has repeatedly announced that he believes in a reasonable measure of preparedness, especially a strong navy, a strong coast defense and enough of a mobile army to protect our country from invasion.

Wherever Governor Hanna speaks he is greeted with large audiences and there is every indication that he has lost no political strength.

On the other hand, Senator McCumber is on the ground and will not be idle from now until the polls are closed. The 24th day of June. Unbiased politicians here are guessing that in a three cornered fight between Nestos, Hanna, and McCumber that Hanna will win.

### DECORATION DAY EXERCISES ARE FINE

One could not ask for a more beautiful day to celebrate Decoration Day than we had Tuesday and the crowd in the city showed the patriotic disposition of the average North Dakotan. The crowd began to arrive early and the streets fairly swarmed with people until evening. The parade was one of the largest we have seen in the city on such an occasion. It was led by the local band, followed by the old soldiers and the W. R. C. in automobiles. Then came the school children one thousand strong, and the local lodge of Elks, who never fail to pay their respects to the flag on every occasion. The line of march to the cemetery where appropriate services were held. At 2:00 P. M., there was an address by L. J. Wehs and Senator Potter J. McCumber at the opera house. The building was crowded to its capacity and the senator made a splendid address which was listened to with much interest. Mr. Wehs preceded the senator in a fifteen minute talk, which was also well received.

### BUSINESS HOUSES CLOSED

As a tribute to James J. Hill, by order of the Mayor, all business was suspended in this city for a period of two hours yesterday from 2 to 4 o'clock. Business on the entire Great Northern system was suspended for a period of five minutes from 2:00 to 2:05 o'clock.

### GERMANS FREE CANADIAN POSTMASTER GENERAL CAPTURED AT ANTWERP, IS RELEASED.

Montreal, May 30.—A dispatch from Paris to the Montreal Star says that Dr. Henri Severin Boland, former Canadian postmaster general, captured when the Germans took Antwerp and held prisoner in Germany, has been released.

### K. OF C. HOLD BIG MEETING

DEGREE WORK AND BANQUET FEAT URE OF MEMBERS.

Tuesday there was a big Knights of Columbus meeting in this city and many members of the order from the outside were present. There were nearly fifty initiated into the order, and after the work was finished there was a banquet at the Great Northern Hotel, Edward I. Flynn presiding as toastmaster.

The following program was carried out at the banquet:

Edward I. Flynn.....Toastmaster  
The Knights of Columbus—A Moral Unit, by Rev. John McDonald, Michigan, N. D.  
"Our Citizenship and Our Order", by Dan V. Brennan, Devils Lake, N. D.  
"Four Five Minute Impromptu Toasts", by Candidates and Officers.

The officers of the North Dakota state council, K. C., are:

Geo. V. Cunningham.....Bismarck  
T. F. Renwald.....State Secretary, Minot  
Thomas B. Murphy.....  
.....District Deputy, Williston  
Pierre Clemens.....State Treas. Fargo  
M. F. Murphy.....  
.....State Advocate, Grand Forks  
Thomas B. Murphy.....  
.....State Warden, Williston  
Very Rev. J. J. Hillner.....  
J. A. Roell, Past Dist. Deputy, Minot  
The officers of the Devils Lake council:  
Fred Traynor.....Grand Knight  
Chas. E. Verret.....Deputy Gd. Knight  
Howard Maher.....Chancellor  
Felix Roulter.....Treasurer  
Michael Cowley.....Financial Secretary  
Frank Tracy.....Recorder  
Michael H. Brennan.....Advocate  
Frank H. Hyland.....Lecturer  
Rev. Edward Lippert.....Chaplain  
Frank Morrow.....Warden  
Peter J. Korzen.....Outside Guard  
Chas. O. Kaufman.....Inside Guard  
Wm. P. O'Brien, Wm. N. Norts, N. J. Lambert, Trustees.

### GEO. MILLER ANSWERS CALL

PIONEER RESIDENT PASSES AWAY AFTER LONG ILLNESS.

George Miller, one of the pioneer residents, passed away at his home in Minnewaukan township Sunday, May 28, in the funeral was held from the family residence Monday afternoon. Rev. C. W. Stinson of the Methodist church preaching the funeral services and the remains were laid to rest in the G. A. R. cemetery near the city.

Mr. Miller was born in Denmark, and came to this country about 30 years ago, and with his family located on a homestead in Minnewaukan township, where he has lived for over 33 years. He was a good citizen and a kind neighbor, honored and respected by all who knew him. He was seventy-nine years old and is survived by a wife and seven children. The daughters are Mrs. Chas. Henley of this city and Mrs. Jos. McLain, of Edmore, and Mrs. John Kavanaugh, of Malta, Montana. The sons are Rev. Jas. Miller who is now in the South, Bas. Christ and Cyrus, who all live on farms near the old home. Last year Mr. and Mrs. Miller celebrated their Golden wedding, when a large number of neighbors friends and relatives congregated to pay their respects and celebrate their 50th anniversary of their marriage.

It will be a source of real sorrow to many pioneers of the county to learn of the death of this estimable man.

### DEATH CALLS MRS. SYMONDS

WIFE OF ALBERT SYMONDS GOES TO HER REWARD AFTER MUCH SUFFERING.

Monday morning death relieved Mrs. Albert Symonds of her suffering, from a long and painful illness from cancer. While everything that medical skill could do was done to cure her from the deadly grip of cancer, she passed away Monday and the funeral was held from the family residence yesterday at 2:00 P. M. Rev. A. C. Barron officiating, and the remains were tenderly laid to rest in the G. A. R. cemetery.

She was a splendid woman and highly respected by all who knew her. She was a devout member of the Lutheran church and in the past had been one of the active church workers, and her death will be keenly felt by a large circle of friends. Besides a husband and one small daughter, she leaves several other relatives to mourn. The bereaved ones have the heartfelt sympathy of all in their hour of sorrow.

### KIND OF SILAGE AND SILO.

The temperature of silage in concrete, iron, stone, tile and Gurler (double wall) silos was found to be practically the same in the fall and winter at the Missouri Experiment station. The temperature of the silage next to the wall in general followed the mean temperature of the air but was on the average of ten degrees warmer. In the center of the silo the temperature rose the first 8 to 10 days and then gradually decreased till April. Analysis of silage from the center and next the wall of each one of these silos showed no difference in the composition due to the different materials. There was practically no difference in the temperature of the silage due to the materials of which the silos were built or of the method of construction of the silos mentioned above. One kept the silage as warm as the others. The conclusion of these experiments were that the things to consider in putting up a silo are, first, cost, cost of maintenance and durability and the essentials are to have (1) an air-tight wall, (2) a smooth wall so the silage can settle well and (3) sufficient strength—W. S. P., North Dakota Experiment Station.

### MACHINE GUNS FROM BANDITS

TEN FOUND IN VILLA CACHE WITH 380 GOOD RIFLES.

QUANTITY OF AMMUNITION 84, GREYED BY MEXICANS ALSO DISCOVERED.

Field Headquarters, near Namiquipa, Mex., May 28.—(Via wireless to Columbus, N. M., May 29.)—Ten machine guns and a quantity of ammunition discovered yesterday in a Villa cache near here, was brought to field headquarters today. The arms, all of which were said to be for use, were found in a cave in Ojo Canyon.

No Date Fixed.

Columbus, N. M., May 29.—No word has been received from Gen. Garvia regarding the fixing of a date for the conference between the latter and Gen. Pershing announced to be held this week near the Colonia Dublan. It is believed that Gen. Garvia is in communication with Gen. Carranza, receiving instructions to be laid before Gen. Pershing, which will have to do more or less with the present dispositions of American troops in Chihuahua.

THE VALUE OF INFERTILE EGGS.

During warm weather much loss is due to the development of the germ in the eggs which are fertile. This is brought about by the broody hen sitting on the nest or by keeping the eggs in too warm a place. Infertile eggs contain no germ to be developed, are easily preserved, bear shipment well and are better for cold storage. After the breeding season all males should be removed from the flock.—E. J. P., North Dakota Experiment Station.

### Dies at His St. Paul Home Monday at 9:43 A. M.

As a result of an infection of the thigh and after a critical operation by eminent surgeons, James J. Hill passed away Monday. He had been sick only a short time and up to the time of his death it was claimed that he was in no great danger, and probably would recover, and consequently his death came as a shock to the entire Northwest.

When the Mayors were rushed from Rochester to the Hill home at St. Paul the latter part of the week the public believed that the veteran railroad man was seriously ill, but in the face of this bulletins given out claimed that he was not in danger. His death followed an



JAMES J. HILL

operation to drain a carbuncle on his thigh.

Mr. Hill was born near Guthrie, Ont., in 1836, and thus he was nearing his eightieth birthday. At the age of fifteen he began to work in a grocery store and held that position for three years.

That restless Scottish-Irish temperament and his dreams of bigger things than grocery store work, caused him to come to the United States. It was in July, 1856, that he reached St. Paul. Then the railroad system of the north-west ended at Galena, Ill., communication with that point just 271 miles from St. Paul was by stage coach in winter and by steamboat on the Mississippi in summer.

Without technical preparation of any sort, Hill took a job as clerk in the office of the Mississippi Steamship Co., which he held for nine years. Then he became agent for the Northwestern Packet Co.

Two years later—the same year he married Mary Theresa Mehegan, of St. Paul—he went into the general fuel transportation business on his own ac-

count. He was the first man to bring mineral coal to St. Paul. At about the same time he became station master of the only railroad entering St. Paul, thus getting his first specific railroad education.

Because of tremendous application and persistent study of commercial conditions in Southern Minnesota, Hill in 1869 headed the Hill-Grigg Transportation Co., which also handled fuel. It was in 1870, however, that he took the first trip in the wonderful program of development that has marked his life.

It was this year that he organized the Red River Valley transportation Co., and began the development of the great Red River valley. Out of this plan grew a syndicate that finally took over the St. Paul & Pacific railroad, out of which grew the Great Northern.

A railroad running from the present site of St. Paul to what is now Minneapolis, a distance of about ten miles, was the first foundation upon which the great Hill system ran between St. Paul and St. Anthony, a city that occupied the present site of Minneapolis. The 1857 panic halted the completion of the road. There were then only 5,398 miles of railroad in the United States. That is a little more than half the present mileage of the Great Northern, one of the several roads that Hill headed.

In 1860 the road went into the hands of the state. In the care of Edmund Rice, to whom the state gave the road, it expanded 202 miles, but in 1873 again went into financial chaos, with seven mortgages aggregating \$33,000,000.

Holland capitalists held the interests and they desired to unload. George Stephens, now Lord Mount Stephen, Donald A. Smith, afterward Lord Stargis and Norman W. Kittson bought the defaulted bonds from the Dutch holders, placing J. J. Hill as general manager of the railroad that two other companies had failed to properly manage.

The three promoters raised much money and in May, 1879, organized the St. Paul, Minneapolis & Manitoba railroad, with a capital of \$15,000,000. The Red river and the wonderful commercial possibilities of Winnipeg were the immediate goal of Hill. But the enormous influx of Minnesota, pushing over its western boundaries in the Dakotas, caused the road to be pushed in that direction as well as toward Winnipeg. Branches and feeders were thrown out. These today form the network of lines in Minnesota and the Dakotas.

In 1867, the Great Northern was organized to merge all the branches and feeders that had become too large for the limitations of the Manitoba line. This same year the line, under Hill's direction, was pushed to Puget sound. The same year the branches of the Hill controlled road nosed into the ore producing country of northern Minnesota. Organization of steamship companies, operating with the Oregon through Seattle and in conjunction with Hill's transcontinental railroad system was the next step in his building career. In the meantime the Northern Pacific, a second St. Paul to the coast line had been put through. But a Chicago to the coast line was needed and 1891 the Hill interests, represented by the Great Northern and the Northern Pacific bought the Chicago Burlington & Quincy. The Northern Security Co., to control the three roads was formed, declared illegal, under the Sherman anti-trust law and dissolved.

In 1897 the 14 railroads operated subsidiary to the Great Northern were purchased by the Great Northern and organized as a part of the Great Northern system.

Through his rugged life, expansion has been his keynote. His faculty of doing many things well and simultaneously, forged him ahead in the ranks of railroad, capitalist, farmer, banker, financier and advisor. He was on the board of directors of several banks in Chicago, New York and St. Paul. Since 1912, he has been extensively not connected with any railroad, his son, L. W. Hill, having the title in the roads Hill controlled.

Mrs. Moody passes away

Monday night after a protracted illness, Mrs. C. F. Moody passed away. Funeral services were held yesterday afternoon, Rev. Albert Torbet of the Presbyterian church officiating, and the remains were shipped to Aberdeen, S. D., for burial. The death of this estimable lady was not unexpected as she had been ill for some time and while everything possible was done to nurse her back to health, it was of no avail and she passed away as stated above. She leaves to mourn a husband, well known in this city and county, a sister, Mrs. Boyd, and a brother Fred Beodisch, both of Aberdeen, S. D., all of whom were by her side at the time of her death.

Mrs. Moody was 55 years old and was a native of Wisconsin. She was a true Christian woman and highly respected by all who knew her. She was an active member in the Presbyterian church. Her death has brought sorrow to many homes, and by her passing away the community loses a valuable worker for all that was good. The bereaved ones have the entire sympathy of all in their hour of deep sorrow.

### GEO. EMERSON GEOS HIGHER

Many of the old timers will remember George Emerson, at one time an engineer running out of this city. Mr. Emerson gradually worked up from that position until he was general manager of the entire Great Northern system, a most responsible and high salaried position. Now it is given out that he has retired from that position to accept a larger place in the business world, with headquarters in New York city. Just what his new position is we have been unable to learn at this time. Mr. Emerson still has many Devils Lake friends who will be pleased at his success.

—Berryman in Washington Star.

### TWO KILLED AT MICHIGAN CITY

TWO INJURED IN THE FATAL CRASH, ARE EXPECTED TO RECOVER FROM WOUNDS.

MOTHER AND DAUGHTER PERISH UNDER WHEELS OF THE LIMITED

Michigan, N. D., May 29.—Two women were killed and one man and two women injured this evening when Great Northern train No. 30 collided with an automobile in which they were driving near the depot here shortly after 8 o'clock.

The killed are Mrs. E. B. Harrison and her daughter, Mrs. Harry Gargrave. Those injured are Miss Meta Anderson, Curtis Wright, driver of the machine, and his cousin George Wright.

Could Not See Train.

The accident occurred when the driver of the machine tried to cross the track in front of the rushing train. It was impossible for him to see his danger on account of a row of elevators which cut off his view up the track.

The train, which is the fastest on this division of the Great Northern, was traveling at a high rate of speed and struck the rear part of the car, smashing it to kindling wood and scattering the occupants along the track.

An effort to stop was made by the engineer as soon as he realized what had occurred and the train was stopped a distance given to the injured trio. These were found to be severely cut and bruised but all are expected to recover. Curtis Wright, driver of the car, was in a state of nervous hysteria as a result of the shock.

Residents of Michigan.

Both of the women who were killed as well as those injured were residents of Michigan and were well known throughout this section of the country. Both were widows.

Mrs. Anderson was brought to the hospital here on No. 1 and the chances are that she will recover.

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### PEOPLE UNITE IN HUNT FOR HUMAN FIENDS

THREE HUNDRED MEN SCOURING COUNTRY FOLLOWING BRIBED CRIME.

YOUNG GIRLS ARE VICTIMS OF BRUTE

LYCHING THREATENED IF THE PERPETRATORS ARE CAUGHT NEAR MANDAN.

Mandan, N. D., May 29.—A man hunt that has extended all over western North Dakota was started at five o'clock this afternoon, following the finding of two girls, Delicia Clark, aged 13, and Enid Schaefer, aged 14, with half their clothes stripped from them, hair streaming down their backs, both semi-delirious. Both are daughters of prominent families.

The two girls were picking flowers at the outskirts of the city after school when they were attacked by two men, presumably Assyrians or Italians. The Schaefer girl broke away, but the men seized the other and started to carry her over a hill.

The Schaefer girl ran back and with puny strength attempted to aid her friend. She was struck blow on the head and choked and what happened afterwards is a nightmare to the girls.

The appearance of a grocery motor truck near the scene is believed to have averted a murder. Fifty automobiles, loaded with armed men and 300 searchers, have scoured the coleses and woods and have drawn a cordon tightly about the city while posse have started out from nearby and distant towns.

Men of the city threaten to lynch the assassins if caught. Mrs. Schaefer and family recently came here from Thief River Falls, Minnesota.

### FINANCES OF THE STATE IN GOOD SHAPE

Bismarck, May 31.—The finances of the state are in an excellent condition, according to State Auditor Carl O. Jorgenson. There are no unpaid bills and \$400,000 in the general fund for the payment of current expenses of the state government. This means that the year will be completed with a good working balance in the state treasury.

When Governor Hanna assumed the duties of office in January, 1913, he found a total deficit in the general fund from the preceding biennial period of \$259,983.05. This large sum was due state institutions in the nature of credit balances; unpaid bills and unpaid outstanding warrants against the general fund. There was also \$50,000 which had been transferred from the wolf bounty fund to the general fund, which had to be made good, there was also registered and unpaid Wolf Bounty certificates amounting to \$8,606.50 as accumulated claims for the destruction of glandered horses amounting to \$29,346.

This deficit which totals \$347,935.55 has been taken care of during the present administration, and a good balance is reported in all of the funds.

### A NEW BANK FOR BROCKET

Articles of incorporation has been filed for the Farmers and Merchants Bank of Brocket. The names of the stockholders are given are P. H. Kelly, R. J. Gardner, Gus Corvinka, J. S. Hoffman and Albert Thompson. The capital stock is \$25,000 with a surplus of \$5,000. It is given out that things will be ready to start up in the very near future, and bids fair to do a good business.

THREE U. S. SEAMEN DROWN.

NINE ARE RESCUED OFF SANTO DOMINGAN COAST AS WRECKAGE TURNS UP.

Washington, May 30.—Drowning of three seamen of the collier Hecetor, Sunday, in Ocoa bay, Santo Domingo, by the capsizing of awahaleboat, was reported to the Navy department today by Rear Admiral Caperton. Nine other men who were in the boat were rescued by the destroyer Reid after being in the water 14 hours.