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Mr. Click Relander
1212 North 32nd Avenue
Yakima, Washington

Dear Mr. Relander:

This is in reply to your letter addressed to the Manuscripts Department at the University of Minnesota as well as the one addressed to us. I have had our Picture Department photocopy some obituaries of Samuel Hill, and the article on him in Who was Who in America and I believe that they will have been sent to you by now, with a bill. The Picture Department also reports that they have no picture of Samuel Hill at all. Samuel's wife, Mary Frances Hill, was the first child of her parents, and was probably born in 1868, as they were married on August 19, 1867; I believe that she lived until the 1940s. We searched the Minneapolis city directories for Samuel and his father. Samuel is first listed in the directory for 1873-1874, and is then listed through 1903. His name does not appear in the 1904 directory, but he is listed in 1905, with a Seattle residence, presumably because he was still president of a Minneapolis company. Comparatively few Minneapolis directories were published in the 1850s and 60s. We did not find Nathan Branson Hill in the 1859-1860 directory, but he is listed in the directories for 1865-1866, 1867, 1871-1872, and 1873-1874 (these being the only volumes we have covering the period). He does not appear after 1873-1874.

I am not clear as to your meaning when you ask "if Mr. Hill bequeathed any works in Wisconsin", but I have not been able to find any evidence of Wisconsin activities, and I suggest that you write to the State Historical Society of that state, at Madison. Another library which might have material about Samuel Hill is the J.J. Hill Reference Library, St. Paul 55102, which was given to the City of St. Paul by James J. Hill.

Sincerely yours

Michael Brook

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Reference Librarian

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rested was a woman and child. In the exchange of shots, Volcott Condit, an investigator for the Nebraska Bankers' Association, was wounded seriously. The two policemen were found today.

William Woods, who was forced to accompany Hendricks, was found bound to a fence post near Grafton, Neb. Later Police Captain Frank Yettman was tied to a chair in a school house near Sylvan Grove by the two other robbers.

After forcing possesmen to drop their guns, the three bandits forced the two Hastings policemen into automobiles and started their dash for freedom.

In the Hastings house where the robbers had hidden for twelve hours following the robbery, the officers found \$920.

'BIG BILL' HALTS TRAIN WITH JERK SO HE CAN POSE FOR CAMERAMAN

Chicago, Feb. 26.—(AP)—Not even a choo-choo train can spoil a picture for "Big Bill" Thompson.

Photographers tried for ten minutes to get a good "shot" of him as he departed for Washington today, but a leaky steam pipe kept interfering. Just as the mist cleared away, the train started.

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SAMUEL HILL DIES ON COAST

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Mr. Hill was president of the Eastern Railway of Minnesota; St. Paul, Minneapolis and Manitoba, railway and Montana Central Railway, part of the Great Northern system, from 1890 to 1900. He was likewise president of the Minneapolis Trust Co. from 1888 to 1903.

Other business connections included: president of Minneapolis Union Railway, Seattle Gas & Electric Co., U. S. Trust Co. of Seattle, Home Telephone & Telegraph Co. of Portland, Ore.; director of the Great Northern Railway and Northern Steamship Co.

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SEWAGE PLAN SESSION HELD

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"I cannot see why South St. Paul should be penalized to the extent Minneapolis proposes. The milling industries of that city discharge more than 1,600,000 gallons of sewage into the river daily, yet they are not proposing to put them on a volume basis. The Waldorf Paper Products Co. of St. Paul and other similar industries in Minneapolis discharge sewage of a greater pollutional content and enormous volume into the river and they are not singled out under the Minneapolis plan.

"Minneapolis, in order to get the business of South St. Paul, spent \$2,400,000 to build the Mendota bridge and pave a road to South St. Paul. "The interest charges on this bond issue alone would more than pay the cost of inclusion of South St. Paul in the Metropolitan sewage disposal district. If Minneapolis is so anxious to share in the benefits of our city why does it object to South St. Paul coming into the sewage district on a fair basis?"

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CHANGE IN ALMA DAM PLAN URGED ON ARMY

Low Water Level Asked in

Wisconsin 9-Foot Channel Project.

Wabasha, Minn., Feb. 26.—Modifications of plans for construction of the proposed \$5,000,000 dam at Alma, Wis., were urged on a board of United States Army Engineers at a hearing.

Witnesses noted that the proposed water level to be established by the dam, which is a part of the 9-foot minimal project, be lowered so as to reduce property damage and to preserve fishing and scenic advantages of the Upper Mississippi.

Representatives of the United States Biological Survey, the Federal Bureau of Fisheries, the St. Paul Railroad and the Burlington system and the Jackson-Watson League of Minnesota, the Wisconsin Highway Commission and the Wisconsin Conservation Commission testified. More than

Colonel William W. Henderson, associate chief of the Missouri State Department of Conservation, is the author of the letter from Louisville, Ky., which pointed out a possible connection to public health.

The view that pollution and erosion problems should be solved for the river is canalized by a series of locks and dams was taken by Captain C. R. Culter of the Bureau of Reclamation. He advocated stabilizing the water level and asserting present specifications of the department would not provide adequate protection for the river.

BADGER SENATE VOTES

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WILBUR RAKES SENATORS
WHO RAN INDIAN POLICY

Mr. Hill was born at Deep River, Randolph County, North Carolina, May 13, 1867, the son of Nathan Bramson Hill and Eliza Louisa Hill. He was graduated from Haverford College in 1888, with an A. B., and received the same degree from Harvard the next year, and later he was made LL.D. by Penn College, Iowa. Admitted to the bar in 1890, he began his career as assistant counsel for the St. Paul and Northern

and the Canadian government. An ardent advocate of extensive highway associations of the Pacific Coast where his work was centered with being largely responsible for the establishment of international routes. Extending his activities in this line to other sections of the country, particularly the south, he became vice president of the American Road Builders' Association in 1926.

Hill's efforts toward international friendship resulted in his being named honorary consul-general of Belgium for Idaho, Oregon and Washington in 1916. As the promoter of the "Peace Postal" between the United States and Canada, marking 50 years of peace, he was voted representative to the United States Senate.

He was decorated as an Officer of the Legion of Honor (France), Commander of the Crown (Belgium), and Order of the Queen's Body Guard (Romania), and Order of the Sacred Treasure (Japan), and was likewise given a medal of thanks by Emperor Meiji.

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**Blaine Wants
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Even those attending free, the meeting charged its own character to a conference, leaving the representatives who objected to binding themselves in the cap. Taking cognizance of protests from Western representatives who objected chiefly by the minority.

In addition, Western members attending tonight's meeting obtained unanimous concession looking toward liberalization of procedure in which they contend the leadership has blocked legislation support by a large part of the House membership.

Why do we have a free market
election of the speaker and making
House rules when the new House
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No Reason Against Con-

Washington Bureau
of the Pioneer Press
Washington, Feb. 26.—Compe-
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ination of Gunnar H. Nordbye as
Federal Judge in Mississippi and a
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Samuel Hill, Friend Of Kings, Dies at 74

Veteran Rail Man, Globe Trotter, Kin of Empire Builder, Deco-
rated by Allied Nations for World War Services, Con-
quered by Influenza at Portland, Ore.

Portland, Ore., Feb. 26.—(AP)—Samuel Hill, railroad builder, globe
trotter and friend of kings, who was a son-in-law of the late James
J. Hill of St. Paul, died in a hospital here at 6:45 P. M. today.

Death came as the result of an attack of intestinal influenza
and complications, physicians said. He was 74 years old.

Mr. Hill became ill here February 9, while going to Salem, Ore.,
to address the State Legislature. Last week he underwent a major
operation and had been danger-
ously ill since. The past few
days his condition had been im-
proving and hospital attendants
had expressed some hope for his
recovery.

A former president of numerous
subsidiary companies of the Great
Northern Railway, Mr. Hill at inter-
vals was a resident of St. Paul. For
many years Seattle had been the
most frequented of his several homes,
but through occasional visits his
heart, effervescent character, re-
mained familiar to many in St. Paul.

Crossed Ocean Scores of Times.

He had crossed the Atlantic ocean
half a hundred times, was a friend of
royal families and was privileged to
wear the decorations of France, Bel-
gium, Rumania and Japan. When
Queen Marie of Rumania was in the
United States on a tour that included
St. Paul she was entertained by Mr.
Hill on the Pacific Coast.

Towering and impressive physi-
cally, with rumpled white hair and
white mustache, Mr. Hill was a man
of overflowing energy. A man whose
every undertaking was a hobby and
whose every hobby was an enter-
prise, he attained success as a
lawyer, railroad executive, financier
and highway builder.

Untangled Traffic Congestion.

In 1916 when transportation of
Russian war munitions across Si-
beria was hopelessly congested, Hill
was called on by the Allied Powers
to untangle the traffic imbroglio at
Vladivostok and restore order in rail-
road movements across Siberia and

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CHANGE IN RULES ORDERED

Longworth, Tilson Renomi-
nated to House Leadership
at G. O. P. Session.

By ALFRED D. STEDMAN.

(Pioneer Press Staff Correspondent.)

Washington, Feb. 26.—A score of
Western Congressmen, including
three from Minnesota, tonight placed
themselves in a position to hold the
balance of power in organization of
the next House by absenting them-
selves from the Republican caucus.

Although all present leaders, in-
cluding Speaker Longworth, were re-
nominated unanimously and Repre-
sentative John Q. Tilson was re-elected
floor leader of the Republicans, the
large absentee list made them all
minority choices and placed the
Western insurgent contingent in the
saddle for final decision on control
when the evenly divided new House
meets in December.

Representatives Maas, Christgau
and Selvig of Minnesota, seven of the
ten members from Wisconsin, six out
of seven from Kansas and Representa-
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of New York and Lovett of Tennessee
were among those who remained
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The sulphur in Rowles Mentho Sulphur clears the skin while the Menthol heals the sore, broken tissue. That's the twofold action you want for skin troubles. Try Rowles Mentho Sulphur not only for pimples and blackheads, but for dry, scaly skin, rash, and itching eczema. IT WORKS! All druggists sell it in jars ready to use. Be sure it's Rowles.

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Help cleanse the blood, bowels and liver with Dr. Edwards Olive Tablets, the successful substitute for calomel; there's no sickness or pain after taking them.

Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets do that which calomel does, and just as effectively, but their action is gentle and safe instead of severe and irritating.

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When the royal party left the train, following the dedicatory ceremonies, to motor to Portland, Ore., Hill accused Major Stanley Washburn, special aid to the Queen, of slamming an automobile door in the face of Governor Walter M. Pierce of Oregon. That night at the Portland horse show, the buff globe-trotter turned to Washburn and, after an exchange of words, is reported to have said, "I will crush you if you do not obey me." Whereup Washburn and Colonel John H. Carol, for 35 years a friend of Hill and designated by various railroads as "Her Majesty's Host," immediately left.

Differences between Hill, and Washburn and Carol could not be settled and resulted in repeated departures from the royal party; Mrs. Adolpha Spreckles, San Francisco society matron, leaving before the train arrived in Seattle where she was to have been the Queen's hostess. Hill left in Seattle, and later Lois Fuller, elderly danseuse and friend of Queen Marie, and May Birkhead, the dancer's secretary, broke connections.

MAN INJURED FATALLY IN NINE-STORY LEAP

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SAMUEL HILL, RAIL MAGNATE, DIES IN OREGON

Empire Builder's Son-in-Law Was 'Friend of Kings'

Samuel Hill, 74-year-old railway magnate, "friend of kings" and son-in-law of the late James J. Hill, "empire builder," died late Thursday at Portland, Ore., after an illness of several weeks. Death came as a result of an operation for intestinal disorders.

Mr. Hill was well-known in Minneapolis, having come here in his youth from his birthplace in Randolph county, North Carolina. After receiving his degree from Harvard university, he practiced law in Minneapolis, specializing in cases against railroads.

Accepts Hill's Offer

So successful was this practice that James J. Hill invited him to join the legal staff of the Great Northern. Samuel Hill refused, but told the "empire builder," that he would go to work for him for nothing to learn the railroad business. Jim Hill accepted this offer and made Samuel Hill president of the Montana Central and other railroads.

Samuel Hill later became even more closely associated with the "empire builder," when he was married to Mary Hill, Jim Hill's daughter. Mrs. Hill and their two children, Mary Mendenhall Hill, and James Nathan Hill, still are living.

Fathered Good Roads

From 1888 to 1903 he served as president of the Minneapolis Trust company, moving to Seattle in the '90s, and there succeeding in organizing a state highway system. Feeling politicians were interfering, he stepped out of the picture and went to Oregon, where he fathered the good roads movement for that state. Later political interference resulted in his stepping out as he had done in Washington.

He did praiseworthy service for the allied powers in the World war, with the result he received decorations from France, Belgium, Rumania and Japan. He was a personal friend of royal families and had crossed the Atlantic ocean half a hundred times. When Queen Marie of Rumania visited the United States in 1926, he was her host on the Pacific coast.

Writes Epitaph

One of his greatest ambitions, unfinished during his life, may be fulfilled in death. It was his mansion, "Maryhill" near Portland, which he intended as a museum for articles from all parts of the world. Queen Marie dedicated the Rumanian room on her visit.

Some time before his death Hill expressed a desire to be buried on a bluff in front of Maryhill, looking down the Columbia river canyon, with the inscription, "Samuel Hill, amid nature's unrest, he sought rest," to mark the grave.

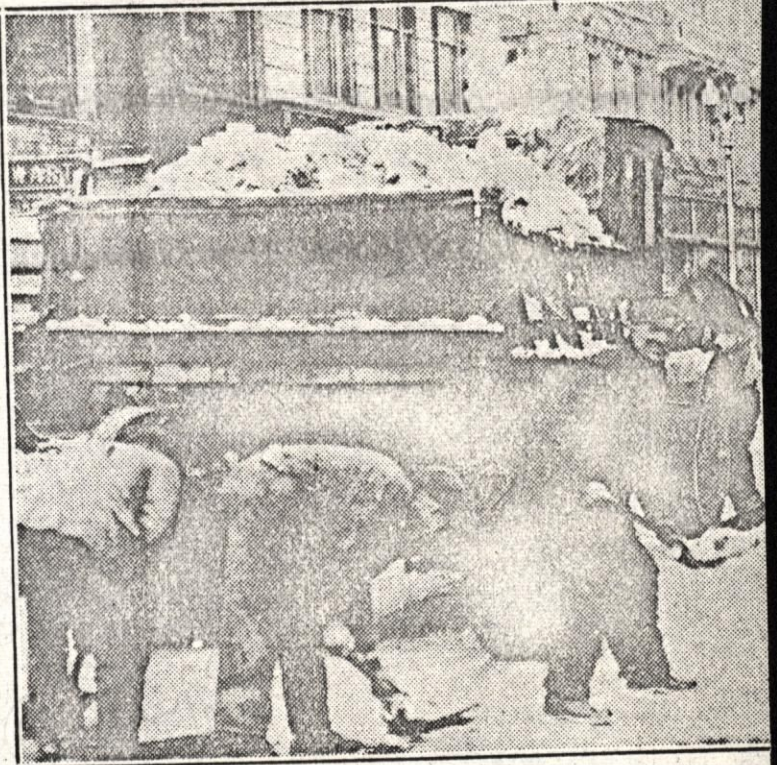
DOG LICENSE BILL OPPOSED

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sheep or other livestock or poultry, or when such dog is attacking or attempting to bite a person."

Blame on Masters

Old Man Winter Brings Jobs for



Hundreds of idle men went to work in Minneapolis tonight onslaught by Old Man Winter. Photo shows a group at work on snow of the winter from Nicollet avenue.

PASTOR GUILTY OF CONTEMPT

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upon him in November, 1929, and had told him intimate details of his domestic life. He said later, with permission of Sundseth, he had revealed portions of this conversation to Mrs. Sundseth and to Erland Lind, her attorney, in an effort to bring about domestic harmony between the couple.

"And you can't reveal any of that conversation here?" the judge asked.

Would Be Violating Rules

"No, your honor, I couldn't," Rev. Swenson said. "I would be violating the rules of my church if I did that and I also would be violating the confidence of Mr. Sundseth."

Attorneys for Rev. Swenson then called Dr. B. E. Bergesen, pastor of Zion Lutheran church, Lyndale and Twenty-sixth avenues N. He was asked about Rev. Swenson's statement.

"A pastor shall absolutely not reveal confidences in court," he said. "Ecclesiastical and secular government must be kept separate."

Quoting from Martin Luther he said further:

"Since it is confessed, not to me, but to Christ, and since Christ keeps it secret, then must I also keep it secret and answer that I have heard nothing. What Christ has heard he can tell."

Faith Based on Luther

He said the Lutheran faith was based on the teachings of Martin Luther and offered the quotation to bear out his contention that Rev. Swenson was bound not to reveal the conversation with Sundseth. He said this quotation was accepted by all Lutheran churches the world over.

He also quoted from Walther's Pastoral Theology, used in all Lutheran seminaries, to the effect that "under all circumstances, a pastor who reveals confessions should be deposed."

Laws Are Compared

ment of Dr. Kendall in his closing talk. He held the question of whether the constitution of the church prohibited a pastor from revealing information given him in confidence made no difference in the present case as the common law of the church upheld the pastor.

After the arguments had been concluded, Judge Guilford said he did not regard the Lutheran confession binding upon the pastor, as is the Catholic confession, and imposed sentence without further comment.

Defended by Ministers

Lutheran ministers today agreed that Rev. Swenson was under a moral obligation to keep secret a confidential conversation with one of his parishioners.

"Mr. Swenson's stand is correct," said Rev. Claus Morgan, pastor of St. Luke's Lutheran church, Seventeenth avenue S. and Thirty-eighth street. "According to the Lutheran position, he has a moral obligation to keep a confidence."

"Every minister regards confidential information imparted to him as similar to a sacred confession, and I think Mr. Swenson is quite justified in his position," declared Rev. Gordon Bailey, president of the Minneapolis Federation of Ministers.

"I don't believe there is a state in the union which would prosecute a minister for refusing to reveal confidential information," asserted Rev. Bergesen.

"It is a serious matter if a man cannot go to his pastor and make a confession," Rev. Claud Wendell, pastor of Grace English Lutheran church, 320 Harvard street S.E., pointed out.

Judge Explains Exclusion

Judge Guilford explained today that exclusion of newspapermen at the hearing on the contempt charge Thursday was due to a misunderstanding of instructions by a court officer. The latter had received orders to exclude the public from the divorce case which was being tried, and apparently assumed, Judge Guilford said, that the order also covered the contempt hearing which took place after the divorce trial adjournment at noon.

Judge Guilford said he had no intention of conducting closed hearings

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