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THE BUSY CORNER. Phone 98

CAUGHT ON THE RUN ABOUT TOWN

PEOPLE YOU KNOW AND SOME OF THE THINGS THEY DO AND SAY.

In The Missoulian yesterday there was printed a letter which asserted that there had been no fire drill at the Roosevelt school and that there had been disorder in the building at the time of the fire there last week. This statement is emphatically contradicted by one of the teachers in the Roosevelt building who talked yesterday to a Missoulian reporter about it. "There has always been a fire drill in the building," said this teacher, "and the exit of the pupils on the occasion of the fire the other day was not disorderly. At the time, my room had been dismissed, but I was in the lower hall and I assisted in directing the march of the children from the building. The children did not know there was a fire; they thought the rapid exit was simply one of the drills which we have frequently and they moved out as they always do when we have these drills. The building was emptied in just one minute. When the pupils got outside and found that there really was a fire, there were some of them who became excited. They had left their wraps in the building as they always do when we have these drills and some of them wanted to go back and get their hats and coats; they were not permitted to do this until the fire was out and their behavior was in all respects satisfactory. I do not understand how the impression got out that there was no drill."

Two men of The Missoulian staff were spectators at the Roosevelt school fire and they add their testimony to that of the teacher who has been quoted. Hylen Smurr, reporter, and John Fendrich, Associated Press operator, were passing the Roosevelt school at the time of the fire. They heard the gong ring in the building and looked at their watches; from the time the alarm was sounded until the last pupil was out of the building was, they say, exactly one minute. They say that the pupils came out two by two and in good order; that the performance of the children was excellent and that it indicated plenty of drill work. "We were interested in the way the children moved," said Mr. Smurr, "and we watched the whole performance. We did not see any confusion and we commented at the time upon the precision with which the children moved in their hasty exit. There was every evidence of careful preparation for such an emergency and I do not see how the impression could have got out that there was any confusion. The person who wrote the letter that claimed there was disorder certainly could not have seen the affair and he must have been badly informed by whoever told him. Nobody who saw the children move out could have drawn any such conclusions. It was an admirable piece of work."

If anybody knows August Jensen of Butte, who is said to be visiting in Missoula, he will be doing a good turn if he tells Mr. Jensen that he is wanted at home as soon as he can get there. Last night a telegram came from Butte, addressed to the chief of police, which read as follows: "Find August Jensen, visiting in Missoula. His brother, Robert, is injured and is very low. (Signed) Fred Johnson." The officers spent some time last night searching for Mr. Jensen but at a late hour had not been able to locate him. It may be that he or some of his friends will see this paragraph this morning in time for him to take the early train for Butte, where it seems his brother's condition demands his presence as soon as possible. The officers endeavored in every way possible to locate the man last night so that he could get one of the night trains to Butte, but they were not able to find anybody who knew him.

Gannon & McLeod have received a new hack which represents the very latest ideas in the construction of such vehicles. It is a brougham, handily and neatly finished in every way and lighted by electricity, the fluid coming from a storage battery. The side lights are bright and the interior of the hack is illuminated by a lamp in the middle of the top. The vehicle is one of the handsomest ever seen here.

For a couple of days there has been a lot of driftwood and logs coming down the river which has occasioned some comment and has also caused considerable havoc with the temporary piling of the Burrell Bridge company in the north channel of the river. The cause of this drift is in such large quantities is the fact that the new Clark dam at the mouth of the Blackfoot has been completed and that on Saturday the water was started over the spillway. The result was a lot of driftwood that had been accumulating in the pond all winter and this was released by the opening of the spillway; the logs also smashed a lot of the falsework of the Northern Pacific's new bridge up the canyon and caused some lively work on the part of the salvage corps. It was only by the most desperate work that the temporary work was saved. The new dam is a fine sight with the water pouring over the 200-foot spillway and in a short time the other 75 feet will be finished and the water will have full sweep for the entire length. The new work appears to have been splendidly done; the engineers who have examined it say that the new structure is a great piece of work. The completion of the spillway will require three weeks, according to the estimate of the engineers. There were many visitors at the dam Saturday and all are enthusiastic over what they saw.

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Two splendid residence lots, block 14, South Missoula; facing on Edith street; water main on street.....**\$1,400**

75x120 feet, West Pine street, first block west of Bitter Root railroad track. When overhauled crossing is built on Pine street these lots will sell for double now asked. **\$1,400**
Lot 4, block 9, Knowles' addition, 50x120 feet, on Fifth street west.....**\$650**

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HAVOC IS WROUGHT BY STORM

TELEGRAPH WIRES BROKEN AND FREIGHT TRAFFIC BROUGHT TO STANDSTILL.

The snowstorm which prevailed all along the line of the Northern Pacific railroad from early yesterday morning to late in the afternoon brought freight traffic to a standstill for many hours. On both the east and west ends all wires on the main line were carried down by the storm. At Turah a string of 10 poles were broken off sharply at the surface of the ground and it was necessary to send a force of linemen from Drummond to repair the damage before freight trains could be moved either way. Passenger trains, fortunately, were running on the level and able to make their scheduled meets without telegraphic aid. Reports from the Garrison-Butte branch showed nearly a foot of snow on the level and from Drummond east it is said that at least eight inches covered the ground.

The snow was heavy and hung to the telegraph wires until the weight became so great that the strands broke. Between Missoula and Garrison the wires were snapped in three places, but at Turah the worst damage occurred. On the Evaro hill all communication was cut off early in the day and only one wire was in commission around the cut-off. Heavy rains occurred all day Saturday on the east end of the division and the Hell Gate river is reported rising at all points. At bridge 98 the telegraph force has been compelled to vacate its rooming quarters and at Bridge 133, east of Nimrod, the river is said to be rapidly approaching the flood stage. Large masses of debris are being carried down the stream and where the railroad companies are erecting bridges much apprehension is felt for the safety of the false work. Great volumes of water are pouring down the sides of the hills and mountain streams, usually of little moment, are now rapidly becoming raging torrents.

FREIGHT MOVEMENT FOR WEEK IS GOOD

During the past week freight business on the Rocky Mountain division has been better than normal. The Idaho division has made an average daily delivery of 300 cars at Trout Creek and the Montana has done nearly as well at Helena. On Saturday 325 loads were moved west from Helena and 315 east out of Trout Creek. East bound out of Missoula, 15 full tonnage trains were handled, against 12 for the west. Some lights were dispatched to Trout Creek in order to keep a full supply of crews at the terminal to keep the yard clear of loads. On Sunday freight traffic was suspended for several hours owing to the violence of the storm and the great difficulty encountered in keeping the telegraph system in operation. Business for today promises to be exceptionally good.

IRRIGATION COMPANY MAY MAKE CHANGES

A report reached Missoula yesterday to the effect that a big change was to be made immediately in the management of the Bitter Root Valley Irrigation company which has been operating in the valley for the past two years. No confirmation of the rumor could be obtained, however, and C. E. Collins, general manager of the L. E. Meyers company, who has been in charge of the construction of the big Como dam, when seen last night in Missoula, stated that he had heard nothing of the rumored changes. Mr. Collins said that the contract work, of which he had been in charge, was completed and the outfit was being moved from the valley. He left on No. 2 last night for the east.

Mrs. Raymond B. Dodds and daughter, Dorothy, are confined to their home, 909 Brooks street, with bronchitis.

See Low's Addition
Lots 40x130
With city water, electric lights and telephone—See
Geo. F. Brooks
The Real Estate Man
First National Bank Block

KIDNAPING MYSTERY THICKENS

SEA-GOING DRAY FAILS TO LOCATE PAUL GILMORE—MAFIA SENDS A LETTER.

Yesterday the mystery in the kidnaping of Paul Gilmore's statue thickened in a way that brought joy to the lovers of sensation. "Uncle" Charlie Harnois, in the role of the frantic father of the stolen child, and acting on the information given Saturday night, dispatched a sea-going dray to the university campus after Paul, who was chiefly not there. It is supposed that the kidnapers removed their victim during the early morning hours under the cover of the storm that raged then.

The Letter.
Mr. Harnois, having exhausted his resources, then sat down to wait for the inevitable letter. It came, but in a peculiar manner. Early yesterday morning a band of villainous appearing scoundrels, hooded and spurred and riding foam-specked steeds, dashed up before the residence of the city editor of The Missoulian, under cover of darkness, and left a letter, written in blood. The missive was addressed to Mr. Harnois, in care of The Missoulian, and read as follows: "We have Paul Gilmore in our possession. If you wish his return leave \$5,000 and fifty tickets to the Red Mill on the waggin brie under the middle peer at midnite March 32, A. D. 1909. Cam alone. If any offshures are with you we will kill the boy. Remember we mean BUZNESS. You are shadowed."

The screed was signed by the several marks of the Black Hand. When it was found that the Mafia had a hand in the kidnaping the matter assumed a more serious aspect and the theory of the leader of the Pinkerton detectives on the case was reduced to an absurdity. It was found yesterday by Captain O'Brien that the statue had been seen Saturday in Woman's hall at the state university. Promptly the trained mind of the great detective put two and two together to make five. "Ah," said he, "the handsome form of Paul Gilmore, in paper mache, was too great a temptation for the young women of the school. They saw the statue and they had to have it. Therefore they took it."

But "they" didn't. The statue was, it is true, found in Woman's hall, but it didn't stay long. Paul was summarily ordered from the place by the Missoulian staff, with the reason for his brief stay on the campus. Mr. Harnois, finally aroused to desperation has decided to locate Paul Gilmore today, no matter what the cost or the consequences. Today is expected to bring the kidnaping to a crisis.

CITY ENGINEER WILL MAKE REPORT

and paid for by improvement districts. **Water Department.**
The water mains, consisting of 31 1-2 miles, were purchased by the city some two years ago, at a cost of \$450,000. The water is pumped from the Missouri river, with an average of 1,500,000 gallons daily. I find their water rates are a little in excess of ours, but by figures given me by the city clerk, I find they pay on an average \$14,000 per year of the purchase price. Their electric light plant is owned by a private corporation and these rates are also a little in excess of ours. Are lights are furnished the city at a cost of \$85 a year per light. **Assessed Valuation.**
The assessed valuation of the city is \$7,400,000, and city taxes about the same as ours. **Cost of Maintenance for 1908.**
Sprinkling and boulevarding \$ 9,702.20
Boulevard construction..... 2,153.84
Construction of sewers..... 2,283.78
Paving (new)..... 7,009.60
Plank sidewalks..... 37,049.53
Concrete curbing..... 2,453.85
Granite curbing..... 13,258.95
Concrete curbing..... 581.95
Garbage removal..... 40.75
You will note that the last item is very low. It is let under contract, so much per load for ashes and manure, so much per head for dead horses and other animals, and is looked after by a sanitary commission. The city has the privilege of paying the garbage man when garbage is removed. If it is not paid for at that time it is assessed against the property. In going over the city I found streets and alleys all practically clean; everyone taking an interest in keeping them in that condition. This is a matter which I think Missoula should sit up and take notice of. In my judgment we are no longer a village or town, and I would suggest that in making all improvements, we make them in a permanent manner, and to get into the best system and follow that system. In going over the city I notice the absence of dogs. In my whole tour I only saw two, one in a livery barn and another in a man's yard. This, in my judgment, was where the dogs belonged, and not on the street. If there is any way to remedy this nuisance here, I would suggest that we try to do it. Everything except the general salaries, fire department and electric lights, is paid by the improvement district plan. In talking with many of the citizens, I found everybody satisfied as the cost of maintaining boulevarded streets and avenues, including the watering, mowing of grass, trimming of trees, and keeping it all in first-class shape, is about \$4.40 per season for a 50-foot lot, which is much cheaper than would be the cost if everyone did the work for himself. In the cities, on the trains and everywhere you hear Missoula spoken of as having a great future. Therefore, I strongly recommend that we try to organize and do everything by improvement districts and in a systematic manner. **JOHN M. DIXON**
Several hours, in Helena. O.

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Special Lot for Today's Selling 39c

You will have to come early to get any of this lot; only 50 of them; tailor-made style with half-Gibson effect; coin size pearl buttons; stock collar; all white with embroidered dots; all sizes. Sale price.....**39c**

Exceptional Tailor-Made Waists at 98c

Another popular line of tailor-made waists in plain white linen, striped lawns and madras, all with starched white collars and cuffs; navy, sky, brown or white.....**98c**

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Each day we are adding new things in spring millinery, suits, coats, jackets and fancy wear. The newest and best the market affords for less at

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course, Helena cannot be classed with Great Falls regarding streets and boulevards, but I was surprised to find so many improvement districts and the way they are taking to it in Helena. They are now working there on their thirty-third improvement district. If this goes through it means an expenditure there of over \$150,000. I will give a few brief items of the improvements in Helena: Boulevarded streets, 10 miles; concrete sidewalks, 171,000 square feet; brick sidewalks, 107,000 square feet; about 4,500 planted trees. **Street Paving.**
Helena has 18,500 square yards of street paving, costing \$3.10 per yard, and 1,200 square yards of brick paving costing \$2.75 per yard. This paving, although fairly good, cannot be classed with that at Great Falls. **Sewers.**
One and one-half miles of five-foot brick storm-water sewer; cost, \$49,000. About 32 miles of sanitary sewers, cost \$350,000.

WEST-BOUND TRAIN KILLS MAN

JOHN PETERSON, ON TRACK IN A BLINDING SNOWSTORM, MEETS INSTANT DEATH.

With his neck broken and the right shoulder bones crushed to a pulp, John Peterson is lying dead at the Missoula morgue as the result of being struck by No. 3 two miles east of Clinton yesterday afternoon. Peterson was walking east on the track in the face of a blinding snowstorm and was struck by the passenger train. It is presumed that he could not see or hear the oncoming train and was struck before he could be warned. The engine crew saw him too late to be of any service, but stopped immediately after the accident and brought the remains to the city. Papers found in the pockets of the dead man show that his name was John Peterson, but where he came from or for whom he worked are facts as yet undiscovered. The theory is put forth that he had been in Missoula for two or three days—made evident by the fact that he was carrying a bundle of new clothes—and left the city Sunday morning. He had left at that time, beyond the possibility of a doubt, for in his coat pocket was found a copy of yesterday morning's paper. It is thought that he left the city on an eastbound train, alighting, at Clinton, and started to walk to his destination, either at some ranch or construction camp. It is certain that he was no hobo, for the clothes were few and of a good quality. Nothing is known, as yet, of any relatives. Coroner W. D. Kendrick will leave this morning for the scene of the accident to investigate the affair. He does not yet know as to whether or not an inquest will be necessary.

MISSOULIAN WANT ADS BRING QUICK RESULTS.

A Bargain

If sold before Tuesday night. Some enterprising man can secure a bargain in buying a corner, 90-foot front, on East Cedar street, one and one-half blocks from the new federal building. One of the best corners in Missoula, now occupied by three dwellings with all modern improvements. See me at Florence hotel, Monday or Tuesday.

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A whole case of new prints in neat house dress designs; good quality, such as Simpson's and other equally good standard makes. On sale today from 2 until 4 p. m. only.....**3c a yard**

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MANAGER CHANCE GETS EXPERIENCED CATCHER.

Memphis, March 28.—Fred W. Leise, drafted by the Chicago National league club from the Madison club of the Wisconsin State league, has been traded to the St. Paul club of the American association for Tom Needham, catcher, formerly of New York and Boston. Chicago gave a cash consideration with Leise.

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