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April 28. Halley's comet rises 2:58 a. m. today and tomorrow at 2:56 a. m. Sunrises 4:58 a. m. The comet two hours in advance of the sun and about 3 degree north of its path, moving eastward in the constellation Pisces. Comet's speed today about 167,100 miles per hour.

AS TO ROADS.

Every day The Missoulian receives words of commendation for its talk for good roads. Every day the people of the city and county are coming to realize the advantages which good highways bring; as soon as this realization is complete, there will be a demand for the construction of proper highways that will be so strong that it will command attention. This week the county commissioners have made a bit of a start toward improving some of the roads; there has been some work done on the main road between Lolo and Missoula; more work there is needed; more is needed in every part of the county. It is especially easy to make good roads in Missoula county; material is near at hand for model highways; what is needed is a little attention and a modicum of intelligence. The demand for good roads is not a fad of the automobile man; it is a necessity in the progress of the farmer and the wood-hauler; the people who use the roads for business are the ones who most need good roads; they are benefited and the merchants in the city are benefited by good roads—and we must have good roads.

HIGH PRICED LAND.

Chicago, always unique and usually original, comes to the front with something new in land deals. The purchase of a strip of land only three-quarters of an inch wide stands unchallenged as the most unique transaction in Chicago real estate down to date. When James Montgomery sold his residence the purchaser—a woman—made the troublesome discovery that his grey stone house was in fact three-quarters of an inch over the line on the adjoining property. Having been stung by a similar predicament, the woman would not complete the deal until the needed strip of land had been acquired. When the owner of the adjoining land learned what the situation was he promptly and firmly declined to deed the strip gratuitously as a matter of courtesy or kindness. Therefore dickering and bickering were begun over the price of a parcel of property less than an inch in width. This incident is a reminder of troubles between other property owners in the same vicinity when it was discovered that the cornice of one man's house projected over the line of the other one. Finally the owner of the offending cornice was obliged to saw it off on a chalk line drawn by a surveyor. Ordinarily surveyors' lines have a latitude of several inches, but as the value of property has risen lines have been run with increasing exactness. With land at \$8,000 a foot an inch of it is no trivial investment.

WHEN TEDDY COMES.

People who have marveled at the European reception of Mr. Roosevelt and those who have jocularly referred to the former president as "Theodore I," will find in New York's welcome which is planned for his return in June good cause for the use of the imperial term. He will be given a triumph which will far exceed any ever known by a Roman emperor, and the naval pageant which will meet him far out at sea and escort him into port will outshine that by which any king has ever been honored. When the harbor is reached by the liner of the returning ex-president, the ship chan-

nel will be lined solidly on either side with craft all the way from Sandy Hook to the pier, forming a line nearly ten miles in length through which he will steam to such a tooting of whistles as has never before been heard and which it is believed will be audible for one hundred miles. Already there is a shortage of tugs and excursion steamers to accommodate the crowd which clamors for a place in the triumphal procession and craft from other ports are being requisitioned for the day. Prices of accommodations are twice as high as for the Hudson-Fulton and Dewey naval parades and some of the skippers and owners are holding out for even higher figures. Ten dollars a head for the capacity of the craft is the price today for tugs and it is expected to go higher. Far out to sea the tugs and larger boats will go, though only the fastest, equipped with wireless apparatus are available for the trip, since they must first find the ship bearing Roosevelt and then keep pace with it to the harbor and up the river. Wireless is being installed temporarily on many tugs. On shore the demonstration is expected to be even greater, and the great banquet in the evening will complete a welcome such as no man has ever enjoyed before, and calculated to render insignificant by comparison the Roman triumphal returns of ancient days.

A FAST GAIT.

A record in comparison to which Jules Verne's trip around the world in eighty days seems sluggish, has just been established by the return to New York of a party of five, who, as the result of a casual after-dinner suggestion, made a trip to Europe which is probably unique in ocean travel. The party was absent from New York only fifteen days, but in that space of time crossed the ocean twice, did London and Paris with three days in each city, and made two channel crossings by different routes. Nearly half the time of the trip was spent in England and France. The average cost to each member of this little holiday party amounted to about \$600. Ten years ago such a trip would have been impossible, but so rapid has been the improvement of the means of ocean travel that the impossible of a few years since has become almost an everyday occurrence. Indeed, according to the recent statement of an official of the Hamburg-American line, the number of Americans now crossing the ocean annually is twice as great as a decade ago. Not only on the beaten tracks of regular sailings, but by means of special cruises to all parts of the world the number of oceangoers has increased by leaps and bounds. One liner alone, the Cleveland, carried 1,400 citizens of the United States on a trip around the world during the past winter. One reason why Americans are becoming such great travel-

ers is undoubtedly due to the fact that they have more money to spend. Ten years ago for five people to spend \$3,000 on a fortnight's trip, as did the record-breaking party, in itself would have been a record. But nowadays there is nothing remarkable about it. With steamers equipped with every luxury that can be found on shore, and, as a result of wireless, never out of touch of land, ocean travel is calling Americans as never before.

If the weather man will continue the exercise of his present fine discrimination as to the distribution of frost, his services will be more than ever popular in these parts.

The best way to learn to appreciate good roads is to drive out into Missoula county; you'll yearn for good roads before you have gone far.

There is water enough wasted in the highways in the Bitter Root to irrigate a whole county in California, so prodigal are we of our resources.

The chamber of commerce is doing good work, but its machinery needs oiling; it is up to the business men to furnish the lubrication.

If Missoula would do as much for herself as others are doing for her, she would move even faster than she does.

The Helena policemen who have jobs but no pay are not sufficiently patriotic to enjoy the combination.

The home of the American republics will be happy if it is peaceful, and maybe it can be kept peaceful.

The didn't-know-it-was-loaded boy is now grabbing live wires as well as pecking into gun barrels.

The news from Indiana causes Champ Clark to wonder where his democratic harmony is at.

The railway bill is making good running time this week, despite the obstacles on the track.

Missoula offers an inviting field for a creamery, and it is equally as attractive in other lines.

Now that we have officially cleaned up, let us keep officially and practically clean.

While Kansas is in white with snow, the Bitter Root is white with apple blossoms.

Tom Teggart doesn't mind being roasted if he only gets the plum.

Irrigation makes good yields, but it makes mighty poor roads.

It isn't so much the May basket as what is in the basket.

Every little helps; especially when it is road work.

The boasting that is talk only is poor stuff.

KITCHENER ARRIVES.

Southampton, April 27.—Field Marshal Lord Kitchener of Khartoum arrived here today on board the steamer Oceanic and was received by a huge crowd, recalling the scene of his return from Africa.

MASS MEETING HELD AT VARSITY

STUDENTS DISCUSS PLANS FOR CARNIVAL — REYNOLDS THANKS ASSISTANTS.

A special mass meeting of the students of the state university was held in Convocation hall yesterday morning under the auspices of the Associated Students of the University of Montana. The meeting was called for the purpose of discussing the annual May Day carnival, which is to be held on the campus and in the gymnasium tomorrow evening.

Professor G. A. Reynolds took advantage of the gathering of the students to thank the people who helped in the production of the annual play and whose names did not appear in connection with the program. "There were more people than most of you realize who helped us with the play," he said, "and I think that it is only right that you should know who they are: The donations from the Missoula Mercantile company, the Donohue company, the Missoula Light and Water company and E. H. Mirrion in the way of supplies was a wonderful help as was the work on the costumes by Mrs. Derby, who, although she was paid for her services, helped wonderfully by her patience and careful work." He mentioned as well the different members of the faculty and of the student body who helped and thanked them all on behalf of the school.

Miss Stewart then spoke regarding the carnival. She expressed the hope that all of the students would come in costume and add to the merry-making by fantastic make-ups and urged all to take an active interest in the affair. President Line of the students' organization announced that the parade in the afternoon would be a big feature of the day and urged everyone to help.

INSTRUMENTS OF RECORD

The following instruments were filed in the office of the county clerk yesterday:

- Deed—R. E. Glass to F. C. Taylor, lot 10, block 26, East Missoula.
- Deed—A. P. Johnson to Edna H. Wilkinson, lot 5, block 3, Johnson's addition.
- Patent—State to J. E. Robertson, lot R. R. Keyes, lots 13, 14, 15, block 83, block 80, School addition.
- Deed—Car Line Land company to Car Line addition.
- Deed—Car Line Land company to Mrs. Martha Porter, lots 27 and 28, block 82, Car Line addition.
- Deed—Central Realty company to Eliza D. Knisley, lots 12 and 18, block 38, Daly addition.
- Deed—E. D. Knisley to Lillian Sacks, above described property.
- Deed—David Graham to C. A. Clayton, lots 33 and 34, block 5, McCormick addition No. 2.
- Deed—O. G. England to W. G. Weiss, lot 24, Dinmores Orchard Homes No. 4.
- Deed—Archie McLeod to Roena E. Finch, lot 37, block 2, St. Regis.

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