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Moro Garage Reopened By New Owners

Two young men, H. C. (Casey) Case and J. H. (Red) Johnson have opened a machine shop and garage in the building formerly occupied by the Moro Garage. They have leased their quarters from the Moro Grain Growers, now owner of the property.

Case is a native of Heppner and Johnson hailed originally from Redmond. They have been working for Poole, McGonigle and Jennings machine shop in Portland but the urge to come back to the high country caused them to be here.

Both are married and their families will come to Moro later in the year, when living quarters can be obtained.

Mrs. Maud Akers Buried Monday

Funeral services for Mrs. Nora Maud Akers were held from the Wasco Methodist church last Monday afternoon following her sudden death early Friday morning at her home in Wasco. She was found dead in her bed.

Nora Maud McHenry was born in Jamesville, Iowa, September 6, 1875 and was married to Glen C. Akers at Monette, Missouri, July 1, 1897. They came to Oregon in 1910 and lived in Wasco most of the time since then. Mr. Akers had a farm and worked at various inside jobs about Wasco until he was appointed county clerk at Moro. He died in 1931.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Ruth Holloway of Los Angeles and Mrs. Henrietta Hennagin of Portland and a son, Carol of Portland, ten grandchildren. Another son, Maj. Wayne Akers died last month in San Francisco.

Mrs. Akers was always active in social and church circles wherever she lived. At her death she was a member of the Wasco Methodist church, director of the Women's Choral club, member of the Tuesday and Friday Study clubs of Wasco and was engaged in other activities.

Rev. F. L. Camell gave the funeral sermon and interment was made in the Wasco cemetery beside the grave of her husband. Many friends from all over the county attended.

New Prices Are Nearer Parity

Increase in wheat loan rates for the 1944 crop announced by the Commodity Credit corporation makes the basic price at Portland \$1.46 for No. 1 grade. The state AAA office has distributed to all county offices a complete schedule of rates for shipping points throughout the state.

The rates range from \$1.16.9 at Burns to \$1.38.1 at Hillsboro, varying according to shipping and handling costs in relation to Portland. A few southern Oregon points are based on San Francisco which affords a higher rate than the Portland base at their distances.

The increase in the wheat rates amounts to 7 cents per bushel and places the loan level at 90 per cent parity instead of the previous 85 per cent.

BANK GROWING

In its statement of condition to the Comptroller of Currency as per the official call of June 30, the United States National Bank, reported deposits of \$428,139,114.56 and its resources \$446,541,330.68. These figures represent the highest peak in deposits and resources in the history of the U. S. National and show a gain in deposits of \$99,667,489.59 over the corresponding call date of a year ago and a gain in resources over the 12-months period of \$104,274,385.75.

The manager at The Dalles reports that gains shown in this immediate territory are in keeping with the growth of the bank as a whole.

Bonds Still Sell; Non-Participants Urged To Buy

County Still Not
Over Top In All
Types of Bonds

Sherman county's total for all bond sales appears lower this week than last. This is because an error of \$10,000 in the computation last week. Instead of \$210,000 the total should have been \$200,000.

Sales of the last week have been small and the corrected total is now \$207,102.25. (And we hope it is right.) A part of it is estimate but the exact figure should be higher.

Sales of E bonds at the bank have been \$76,781.65; at the Wasco postoffice \$26,082.50, at the Moro postoffice \$488.50. Ten days ago the Grass Valley postoffice had sold \$30,075 and sales to date are estimated at \$32,000. Total of E bonds sold is, therefore, \$135,282.25. Official figures as of July 17 give Sherman county \$125,536 but official figures are often behind the actual sales.

Sales of bonds to corporations was \$46,125 and these have been practically stopped by the withdrawal of the bonds proffered by corporations from the sale.

Sales of bonds to individuals is \$25,694 to date. Last week this was given as \$34,694 which was \$10,000 too much. Our quota for this type of bonds is \$37,000 and there is but a week to reach it. The E bond sale gives the county a per capita sale of \$78.20, a little more than \$20 less than its average for the last two sales.

There is still time to buy E, F and G bonds will be on sale until the end of the month. The series C notes are always on sale.

Because everyone has been so busy not all citizens have been solicited to buy bonds. They may still have a part of this Fifth War Loan drive by buying bonds between now and the end of the month.

Big Wheat Crop Causes Selling

Prospects of the largest wheat crop on record served to keep the general tone of domestic grain futures markets heavy during the week ended July 14, according to report to the War Food Administration. The large wheat crop in prospect and a slight increase in the 1944 output over last year more than outweighed the somewhat smaller corn and barley crops in sight and made the total supply situation quite impressive at this time. While the large crop estimates made for irregular to lower markets for wheat and oats futures, cash grain generally remained in a relatively firm position at Midwestern terminal markets.

WAVES May Go Overseas Soon

Overseas service for WAVES is assured if the present proposed bill for permitting these members of the women's reserve of the Navy is passed by congress, according to Chief Quartermaster Fallon, of The Dalles Navy Recruiting station, which handles WAVE applications in this area. The three main hurdles previously preventing assignment of WAVES to overseas duty have been overcome, the proposal has been approved by the House Naval Affairs committee, the Navy now has real use for WAVES at overseas stations—an estimated 25,000 of them to start with—and the plan now has the popular approval of both WAVES and women's groups.

Dr. Don D. Hill was here Wednesday to certify some seed on the experiment station. Dr Hill is the successor to George Hyslop.

Success of 5th War Loan Will Meet Acclaim of Men in Field and Prove Nation Is Backing Our Armed Forces

by Gen. Ike Eitenhower

"In moments of crisis involving the safety of our native land, the American people have invariably rallied against the danger with courage, faith and resolution.

"For the past two years we have been in one of these crises, perhaps the greatest in our history. On the battlefield and on the home front men and women are daily making great sacrifices so the freedom in our way of life may be preserved.

"There is now to progress the 5th War Loan Drive to raise money so as to insure that this conflict will be brought to the speediest possible conclusion and with the least loss in lives.



The complete success in the drive will meet the acclaim of the forces in the field and will be renewed proof that all Americans are one solid phalanx of determination in this great war.

"All of us profoundly trust that soon the world may be restored to a just peace. Until we can, with God's help, bring about that happy realization of our dreams, each of us must seek incessantly for ways and means by which the value of our services to our country may be enhanced. Right now we can do so by buying Bonds. Let's make this particular victory a quick and decisive one."

County Court Pays Bills, OKs Payment of Bangs Disease Claims, Asks Draft Deferment of D.A.

CLAIMS PRESENTED AGAINST SHERMAN COUNTY, OREGON GENERAL AND ROAD FUNDS FOR JUNE, 1944, AND APPROVED AT JULY, 1944 TERM OF COUNTY COURT THEREOF.

Vendome Hotel, room and board cricket control workers, \$427.70; First National Bank, Old-Age assistance, \$133.40; First National Bank, Aid to Dependent Children, \$52.00; David Reid, County Commissioner, \$18.00; Vernon I. Miller, County Commissioner, \$13.60; T. Lester Johnson, District Attorney Expenses, \$10.40; Pacific Power & Light Co., Lights for courthouse \$33.64, DelMose Park \$1.00, \$34.64; City of Moro, water for courthouse \$12.75; Pacific Tel. & Tel. Co., telephones all offices \$31.00; Clarence Messinger, courthouse supplies \$10.20; Department of Agriculture, sealer, weights & measures, \$3.76; Mrs. L. T. Taylor, Veterinarian's Field Heloer, \$3.00; West Coast Printing & Binding Co. Clerk's supplies \$56.34, Assessor's supplies \$3.75, Sheriff's supplies \$33.80, \$93.89; Charles R. Logan, Audit of Co. Books, \$160.90; C. A. Ruggles, mileage appraisal and field trip, \$2.90; Standard Oil Co. of California, official car expense, \$29.00; Foss & Co., official car expense, \$5.50; J. C. Freeman, box rent due for quarter ending 9-20-44, \$3.15; J. C. Freeman, P. M. stamps for Clerk's office \$10.00; State Industrial Accident Commission, peace officer's protection, \$5.29; First National Bank, withholding tax, \$101.69; C. C. Wilson, Sheriff's expense, \$16.50; Marie Hoskinson, Assessor's office help, \$5.20; Sherman County Journal County printing \$10.95. Assessor's office \$3.45, \$14.40; Wily W. Knighten, expenses to Sun's conference \$39.15; Wily W. Knighten, office help less tax, \$94.20; Wasco Bakery, board of Cricket Control workers, \$8.74; Law Library Fund, Law Books, \$137.53; Elmer M. Helyer, Bang's diseased cattle slaughtered \$12.00; Jonathan N. MacInnes, Bang's diseased cattle slaughtered \$36.10.

GENERAL ROAD FUND
Road employees pay roll—L. L. Peetz \$97.18; E. McPherson \$93.55; C. Bargenholt \$94.64; J. Gentry \$94.64; Ora Workman \$60.16; L. L. Peetz \$98.24; E. McPherson \$99.68; C. Bargenholt, \$88.16; J. Gentry, \$86.00; Ora Workman \$90.76. State Industrial Accident Commission, Insurance \$31.14; National Hospital Ass'n, Insurance \$5.00; W. T. Balsiger, Insurance \$46.66; City of Moro, water, \$1.75; Pac. Power & Light Co., Lights, \$2.00; J. K. McKean, repairs \$3.00; Moro Lumber & Fuel Yard, repairs \$7.00; Foss & Co., repairs \$7.00; Howard Cooper Corp., repairs, \$32.09; C. F. Kuypers, repairs \$69.75; O'Meara Supply & Imp. Co., repairs, \$28.00; Service Garage, repairs, \$20.08; Shell Oil Co., gas & oil, \$4.00; Standard Oil Co., gas & oil \$89.65; First National Bank with-holding tax, \$98.26.

CONDENSED PROCEEDINGS OF COUNTY COURT DURING MEETING OF JULY 5, 1944

Claims allowed as presented against County General Fund & County Road Funds. Monthly statement of County Treasurer, showing fund balances, presented, approved and filed.

Certificate signed by court members certifying and approving budget appropriation for County's proportion of 1944-45 expense for maintenance and activities of county agent's office.

Bids of Wm. Clothier and W. A. Nesbit accepted for purchase of Tax Foreclosed property in Wasco. Clerk directed to make transfer.

Dan McLachan Dies Wednesday
Dan J. McLachan, died at The Dalles Wednesday afternoon after an illness of a little over a month that resulted in the amputation of his right leg, an operation that failed to stop the onset of the disease.

He was born near Monkland October 24, 1888, being 55 years old at the time of his death. At the age of 17 he was married to Mollie Robinson. For the greater part of his life he farmed in this county although for several years he has lived in Moro and Portland.

Surviving are his widow, two sisters, Mrs. Estella Dillinger of Salem and Mrs. W. A. Woods of Dufur, four sons Bill of Camas, Washington, Wendell and Roland, now in service, and Glen of Moro, two daughters, Mrs. Lucille Harrington of Eugene and Mrs. Evelyn Chamness of Portland, both of whose husbands are in the service. Funeral services will be held Friday afternoon at 2 p. m. from the Moro Community church and interment will be made in the Odd-Fellow cemetery.

of funds in General County Fund and Road Fund. In re: \$500.00 reward: Dewey Burrell Murder. Rewards of and to the following allowed:

\$250.00 to Norman Smith, Missoula, Montana.
\$150.00 to Mrs. Mary Jauron, Clinton, Montana
\$50.00 to Arthur Donian, Portland, Oregon.
\$50.00 to William F. Blue, Charlo, Montana.
Clerk directed to draw on Emergency Fund to extent of \$137.53 for benefit of Law Library Fund. Semi-annual report of County Treasurer presented, approved and filed.

Clerk directed to pay claims, upon which action had been previously deferred, pertaining to liability for Bang's diseased cattle slaughtered.

Deeds approved and signed by Court terminating sales of Tax Foreclosed property in Wasco to Lawrence and Myrtle Funk and Florence Grant.

Action deferred relative to change of boundaries of Rutledge voting Precinct No. 7.

Clarence Messinger delegated to operate Fire Fighting truck during harvest season.

Clerk instructed to communicate with Selective Service Board relative to renewal of classification of District Attorney.

There being no further business court adjourned subject to call of the Judge.

Oiling Crew Uses Women Truck Drivers

An oiling crew has been at Grass Valley all this week putting a new coat on the highway south of that town. The last of this week the crew will work north from Grass Valley and cover some of the road between Wasco and Moro.

There are seven or eight women truck drivers on the crew, most of them small and slight looking for a job that in piping days of peace was presumed to be the prerogative of brawny and brawling males who took pride in the fact they were doing a hard job. How the mighty have fallen.

Klondike Elevator Now Running

The new elevator that the Sherman Cooperative Grain Growers built at Klondike to make room for the wheat there has been completed by Hogenson Construction company except for a few last details. Receiving of wheat begun when the wiring was completed Wednesday. Some grain had already been taken in at Klondike and this was stored in the old elevator, which is less than half the size of the new 150,000 bushel one.

Harvest Starts; Yields Not Spectacular

Good Crops Expected
But Heavy Land Must
Raise Average

With harvest getting started it is a bit too early to determine what the outcome of this crop might be. It is late enough to tell that the crop on the east side of the county is not going to be equal to that raised in the three previous years when the lighter land produced 35 to 40 bushels per acre.

Wes Fuller, on the Pape place, reports a yield of 20 bushels on the first field cut. Prospects are for a little more on other fields. Farther north the crops are reported to be somewhat heavier and 25 bushel yields in the northeast corner of the county, where there was a near failure last year are reported.

It is the west side of the county that has the big crop in 1944. Early reports from there indicate that grain will make 40 bushels and it is said to be of good quality. Some farmers are threshing barley and oats but the quantity is so small as to be negligible this year. Some crops of barley may make better than a ton to the acre, which, according to the price of \$47 will bring in around \$50 per acre.

The weather has been cool for summer until this week when a east wind brought on some hot clouds. Tuesday evening and a cool wind came up Tuesday was the first really warm day of the year. There are no reports of damage from this season's hot day.

By next week nearly everyone north of Moro will be threshing. Many pulled out Thursday and Friday. Harvesting will likely be slow again this year as it was last. There are not enough machines, nor men, and the crop, being large, there will be delay unloading the trucks at the elevator.

Eight Killed In May Traffic

Oregon's traffic death rate for the first five months of 1944 was eight persons killed per one hundred million miles of travel, exactly the same as for the same period of 1943, according to Secretary of State Bob Farrell.

The traffic death rate is the unit of measurement used in determining the relative safety of traffic in relation to the exposure to accident.

Travel in Oregon, as shown by gasoline consumption, was slightly higher for the first five months of this year than in the comparative period of 1943. Usage this year totaled 981,619,500 gallons, an increase of four per cent over the total of 946,005,705 miles for the first five months of 1943.

The death rate for the month of May this year was eight persons killed per one hundred million miles of travel. The month with the lowest rate so far this year was April with a rate of five.

Klondike Electric Line Now In Use

The change over from 2300 volts to 4000 volts in the Wasco area was made Tuesday between one and four o'clock when a crew of linemen from The Dalles were ready to relocate the transformers in that city in order to make the change. Transformers were dropped two feet on the poles.

A new wiring of transformers was made necessary to obtain 4000 volts from the line, the higher voltage being needed to carry enough power to the new Klondike elevator. All of Wasco and suburban lines will now carry 4000 volts instead of the normal 2300.