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To secure a merit badge in forestry, boy scouts are required, among other things, to identify 25 kinds of trees.

Receipts at Portland for the week ending November 7th have been, cattle-1143, calves-35, hogs 3901, sheep-4873.

One of the principal by-products of the national forests of Japan is furnished by mushrooms, which have yielded in one year a revenue of a million dollars.

Articles of clothing from wood fiber are being made in Europe. The material for a suit costs about fifty cents. Clothing made of this material, however, can not be washed.

One of the largest and most valuable timber trees of the country is the tulip tree, known to lumbermen as yellow poplar. It is related to the magnolia, but is the only tree of its kind in the world.

The largest tree in the United States is said to be the "Mother of the Forest," a giant redwood in the Calaveras big tree grove in California. It is supposed to contain 140,619 board feet of lumber. There are, however, many claimants for the honor of having the "largest tree" and the "oldest tree," and these claims can not always be verified.

Prof. Hector MacPherson of the extension department of the O.A.C. gave a lecture, at the opera house Wednesday evening, on farming conditions and methods as viewed by himself as a member of the American Commission this year. The lecture was illustrated with pictures taken by Mr. MacPherson on the trip. Lack of interest in the subject was evident by attendance of only three farmers.

The Observer is a mighty fine medium with which to find the owner of a lost article or the unlucky owner to let their neighbors know that something of value to them has been lost. This week Mrs. J. M. Axtell had returned to her fine agate brooch lost on the streets of Moro and found by L. W. Ross in front of his door, it needed fixing and so decided to get lost at the jewelry store. Another man lost a pair of auto chains which Fred Matthias found in the road near Erskenville and delivered to the owner. Now if you have any thing to sell, or trade, or find a lost article or trying to find a party who may have found a keep sake of yours, then use the Observer columns; it always pays.

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Remarkable Tax Collection Record

At the regular November term of the Sherman county court the report of Sheriff J. C. McKean as tax collector of the current tax roll received more than passing attention by reason of the high mark his office made during the last year, which was very much better than in any previous year. The report of all collections from January 1st to November 3rd is Total amount collected \$104,791.09 Less 3 per cent rebate 2,024.39 \$102,766.70 Plus penalty and int. col. 521.00 Tax on hand and turned over to county treasurer \$103,287.70 Recapitulation: Total 1912 tax roll \$106,560.89 Gross amount col. 104,791.09 Bal. due, uncol. Nov. 3d \$ 1,769.80

Odd Fellows Convention at Wasco

The district convention of I. O. O. F. at Wasco last Monday evening for the district comprising the counties of Wasco, Hood River, and Sherman was a very successful social and fraternal affair. More than 250 attended by means of the special chartered train operated from Hood River, Mosier, and The Dalles besides a large gathering of members from all parts of the county at large. The monotony of the business proceedings were lightened by an excellent program prepared by the Wasco lodge, the opera house being used for the purpose. The business meeting was held in the opera house immediately after the exercises. It was voted that the next meeting of the convention would be at Dufur; L. B. Thomas of Dufur was elected president; J. R. Howell of Wasco, secretary; O. D. Doane, of The Dalles, treasurer. The convention closed with a big banquet that carried the time of the convention well into another day before members thought themselves of the trip home.

Southland Jubilee Quartet

The Southland Jubilee Quartet of mixed voices, composed of four talented negro entertainers, render a program Thursday evening November 20th, at the Opera House, which will be typical of the south with old plantation melodies and Jubilee songs, an evening of solid enjoyment, not a tiresome moment. The interpretation of Dunbar as given by Mr. Drayton is considered by many the very best in America. Fifteen years of study has made Prof. Barbor one of the best musicians and composers of the negro race. Several of his own compositions are included in the program. The prima donna soprano possesses a remarkably high natural voice while the contralto has a full rich voice that few such singers possess. No one should miss the opportunity of hearing this concert as the quartet, trios duets, solos, instrumental numbers and readings are far superior to anything of the kind on the Pacific coast.

This troupe appears at the Moro Opera House Nov. 20th under the management of the public school. Seats on sale at Heim's at 50c. Student tickets 35c. Children under twelve 25c.

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County Court Proceedings

Regular November Term

So much business at this term could not be satisfactorily transacted at the time court met that after auditing current bills the court adjourned to meet again in special session on December 2, 1913.

Warrants were ordered drawn to pay salaries due to date amounting to \$936.17.

Expense accounts of the different county officials were ordered paid amounting to \$193.71.

Warrants with which to pay scalp bounty claims amounting to \$107.50 were ordered drawn.

Bills amounting to \$468.22 were ordered paid and charged to the road fund.

The claims against the county amounting to \$477.80 for expense of the referendum election were ordered paid. This amount includes the election boards, drayage, swearing in of voters, canvassing of the vote, etc., but does not include the printing of the ballots which would bring the expense to Sherman county for the late election well over \$500.

Warrants to cover miscellaneous items were ordered as follows:

J. C. McKean, boarding prisoners... \$ 63.00
City of Moro, lights and water... 10.55
Moro Hardware & Implement Co. 20.95
Foss & Benson, Blacksmithing... 1.00
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Secrets of Birds and Toads

A man who tells the children, and the grownups too, the secrets of the toad, the birds, the moose, the house fly and of some of the untamed animal creatures that are familiar sights on Oregon farms or in Oregon woods, is Dr. Clifton Freeman Hodge, the eminent biologist, whose services are this year at the disposal of towns and villages of the state. Dr. Hodge is for one year at least on the faculty of the University of Oregon. His services are free to the community; they are part of the University's extension department instruction through the state.

Dr. Hodge does not tell the animal and bird and insect secrets of Oregon merely to entertain, although his talks are pronounced most entertaining; he does it to teach. From him the children learn which bird is beneficial and should be protected to the utmost for the sake of Oregon crops. They are told which of the insects should be most feared and how such insects should be fought. He tells them what to expect from the small animals, which ones can be domesticated and how to do it. Then he goes further, in other lectures, and teaches the saving and planting of tree seeds, and of bacteria, of common sense cleanliness and of the fungi of household, garden and field.

Possibly you are now beginning to think of the holiday presents. If so we want to put in a word at this time that the Moro Hardware and Implement company will have a mighty fine line of suitable seasonal goods on display about the first of December; some are now here and more coming.

Notices have been posted calling for a meeting of the tax-payers of Moro school district to meet at the school building at one o'clock on November 22nd to consider the levying of a special tax for the purpose of paying interest on bonds and provide for the current expense of maintaining the school.

SOUTHLAND JUBILEE QUARTET



MORO OPERA HOUSE

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After the special meeting of Sunday School workers last Monday evening at the Presbyterian church it was voted by the Moro congregation to invite the Pendleton Presbytery to meet at this place as guests of the Moro church at the time of their regular spring meeting next April.

From reports at other places the Wright-Neill company coming next week will be worth the while of any who like fine dramatic action in a play. The company also advertises specialties between the acts, so every one should be pleased. Moro opera house, Wednesday, Nov. 19th reserved seats 35c, children 15c and 25 cents.

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In a letter to the Observer from a former Sherman county resident known to a large number of our readers, Mrs. Chas. Henn, of Blanchard, Iowa, news is received of the arrival at their home of a son September 21st. Mrs. Henn writes that he has been christened Phillip S. and that they are planning to send him to Sherman county to farm when he grows older.

When returning from Grass Valley early Monday evening H. M. Shull had his auto skid with him about half way between Erskenville and the Meloy farm. No one was seriously hurt, but the auto received rough treatment. The same evening those attending the Odd Fellows convention at Wasco, by auto, reported very hard traveling and a tendency of their machines to skid without warning, caused by the muddy roads and rain.

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