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MORO, OREGON.

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Mayor J. C. Freeman has an apple tree in full bloom at his residence.

Christmas will be fittingly observed at Spaulding chapel with an appropriate program and tree.

Henry Ruggles is back from Gilliam county where he has been assisting in threshing this year's crop of alfalfa on the Plateau Farm Co. holdings.

Basket ball will be played Friday evening at Moro opera hall between the Grass Valley and Moro-high schools. Admission 25c and 35c. Every one interested in an interchange of school sports should be present.

Farmers in what is known as the German settlement, south of Grass Valley, have organized to fight the weed evil next spring. Every farmer of that section is in the organization, says John Schassen, who was in Moro last week.

Mrs. Edyth Tozier Weathered was a visitor in Moro and Sherman county last week in the interest of a campaign conducted by the Oregon Manufacturers Association for the better patronizing of Made in Oregon products.

Rev. A. J. Adams was the recipient from an unknown donor of a substantial package of sausage head cheese and a fresh pork ham; it being delivered by parcel post. Mr. Adams says a repetition would not be objectionable.

A literary club has been organized in the Spaulding chapel neighborhood, to meet at the homes of the members in rotation. The Observer will be glad to announce the meeting nights and place when ever sent in for publication.

A pleasant way of entertaining yourself two evenings a week is to attend the moving pictures put on in Moro each Tuesday and Wednesday night by Mr. Burnett. Considering the quality of the pictures presented the admission charge is very reasonable.

Those stockings must surely be filled with candies and nuts to some extent or the little ones will miss a part of Christmas as you would pumpkin pie at Thanksgiving time. The Moro Commercial Company has just the kind you want at a reasonable price.

The Oregon Farmer, a publication of the State Immigration Commission is just off the press, and copies will be supplied free of charge to any one interested. It is a careful resume of the agricultural situation in Oregon and contains a vast amount of valuable information for every farmer in the state.

According to the quarterly bulletin of the state board of health, received at this office this week, there was no case of any kind of contagious disease in Sherman county during the months of July, August, and September. Referring to the same authority, neither were there any deaths, births, or marriages in the same months.

### More to Entertain at Banquet.

An organization has been created in Moro this week unique in one particular in that neither membership dues nor assessments will be charged against any member. Whenever the organization undertakes to do something for the betterment of this section any request for help, either financial or otherwise, will rest entirely with the one called upon to do whatever they think best in the matter.

The new organization is to be known as the Moro Unity Club and will be composed of the Business Men, the Farmers, and the Ladies of Moro and vicinity.

The first matter of public interest to be undertaken by the club is a banquet to be tendered the Farmers of this section by the Business Men of Moro and with the help of the Oregon Manufacturers Association, through Mrs. Edyth Tozier Weathered, their state representative. The date decided upon is Saturday, January 17th, 1914, at which time several members of the Oregon Manufacturers Association will be present from Portland, that being the principal reason for having it on that night.

The affair is under direct charge of L. Barnum, chairman, W. H. Ragsdale and R. D. Jackson as an executive directing committee with the following committees to assist.

Invitation. The executive committee, N. P. Hansen, H. U. Martin, G. B. Bourhill, R. J. Ginn, Otto Peetz, N. W. Thompson.

Decorating. Mesdames Edna Johnson, E. H. Moore, Rose, Bull, Bourhill, Misses Showalter, Taylor Program. W. C. Bryant, Mesdames Wallan, Hansen.

Tables and Waiters. Mesdames Barnum, Freeman, Thompson, Heinrichs, Ramsey, Ragsdale, and Ireland.

Menu. C. L. Ireland, J. C. McKean, W. H. Moore.

Utility and arrangement. Messrs Ramsey, Landry, Sayrs, Bull, Rutledge, Lewellen.

The first named is chairman of their committee with power to add to the committee and also with power to appoint sub-committees to their committee.

It was voted by the Unity Club that as the opera hall will be limited in capacity and as many adults as possible is desired to attend that no children will be permitted to accompany any one; and that a separate hall be engaged to take care of the children, with a competent person in charge.

The afternoon of the day of the banquet will be given over to the children, with a program in a separate hall. The school children of this district have been divided into two divisions; class A, is the High School, class B is the 6th, 7th, 8th grades; each pupil will write a composition on the Advantages to the County and State of Patronizing Home Industries, limited to five hundred words. Each division will have prizes of \$5, \$3, and \$2 awarded the three best compositions; judges will be W. C. Bryant, F. E. Fagan, Mrs. Julia Hansen.

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## Tit For Tat

BY REV. A. J. ADAMS

The ancient code read "tit for tat"

A difference of one letter is all of that;

Backward and forward, both spell the same.

Do the parties to this old barbarous game.

An "a" for an "i" or an "i" for an "a"

Makes all the difference and starts the fray;

Since challenger's ready, like dog or cat,

To render to all a tit for tat.

There has never been a battle yet

That was not bred of the alphabet.

It's letters, all, from "a" to "z" afar

Have, by position, brought peace or war.

Differently placed it's letters spell

The bliss of peace or shot and shell.

What folly to fight over just one letter,

Forget the difference and all's the better.

No one doubts this code was law

When man was young and conscience raw.

Then, in our semi-barbarous race,

The Christian code had ne'er a place.

In Hebrew law 'tis writ forsooth,

"An eye for an eye" and "a tooth for a tooth"

An ancient and a bloody law

When nature was red in tooth and claw.

Then, such a law befitted our nature

The best adapted to that estate;

But now that heavenly no men clature

Reads "good for evil, love for hate"

"All love to God and love to man"

Christ says "all law is fulfilled in that."

Divine's the thought. God like's the plan

That's to end the reign of "tit for tat."

### SOMETHING DIFFERENT

The generally accepted idea that a person is useful in proportion as he is busy received a setback this week when we observed a young man busy winding an Ingersoll watch; when he had a chance to put it in his pocket he was striking matches to light cigarettes.

And that thought evolves another as to being busy demonstrating usefulness; how about a dog scratching for fleas when he should be bringing the cows from pasture?

Professor Nash tells this story as demonstrating the joys of the young: This young hopeful on his fathers arrival home said "oh papa I won't have to study as hard any more" that pleased the father who had noticed how backward the son was, but the youngster continued "I got set back a class today."

### Our County Fair

The management of the Observer is possibly as busy as is any one else in Moro, but he took the time this week to visit the county fair grounds and observe the work being done by the fair board right at this moment. Any one who visits the fair next fall will not know the grounds when the work under way is finished. We thought we knew what was being done, and we had a good idea, but it takes a visit to the grounds to realize the improvements. And that is all the compensation that the fair board directors are asking; that you go and see for yourself what is being done. Next week the Observer will try and convey an idea to its readers what your fellow citizens are doing for you while apparently no local interest or encouragement is extended them in the effort.

### Council Passes Improvement Ordinance

Monday evening at the regular city council meeting an ordinance was passed setting forth the requirements the city deemed best that property owners should comply with in securing the sidewalk recently petitioned for on First, Second, and Court streets. According to the ordinance all walks constructed must be five feet wide; be built of full in-h rough lumber, either six, eight, ten, or twelve inches wide; the stringers must be four in number and have different starting lengths and no connecting joint can break opposite another.

The council had been resting upon the assumption that if any one should break a leg or be injured in any way when using defective sidewalk that only the property owner would be liable; therefore little attention has been paid to repairs. According to supreme court decisions the city is liable and it can collect by suit from the property owner. Rather than become interested in two possible law suits property owners have been instructed to repair their walks or it be done by the city and a lawful lien be placed on the property to protect the city.

The question of refunding the outstanding bonds and paying them off in thousand dollar payments was discussed. The money is available, but it will need an amendment to the charter before it can be done; either at a regular or special election. These bonds are soon due and no money to pay them and no authority by which the time of payment can be arranged differently.

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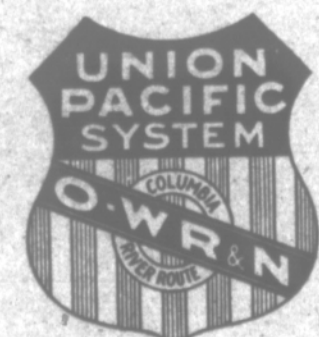
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