

The Observer

MORO, SHERMAN CO., OREGON

FRIDAY, January 30, 1913

Eureka Lodge No. 121.
A. F. A. M. Moro, Or.
Meets the first and third Thursday evenings of each month. Visiting members cordially invited to meet with us. By order of W. M., J. M. PARRY, Secretary.

Bethlehem Chapter No. 78 O. E. S.
Regular communication each 2d and 4th Thursday evenings monthly. F. E. FORSTER.

Moro Lodge, No. 113, I. O. O. F. Moro, Or.
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Mrs. L. L. Peetz is suffering from a severe attack of grippe at her home west of Moro.

The W. C. T. U. will meet at the Baptist church in Moro the first Friday in February, the 6th.

Manager N. W. Thompson of the Moro Hardware & Implement Co. has arranged for the agency of the John Deere line of implements to be carried at Moro by his company.

C. R. Belshee is having his meat market completely renovated and repainted; the way the work is being done will help keep the shop warmer in the winter and cooler in the summer.

Fifty seven of last year's graduating class at the University of Oregon have gone into teaching. The number is a manifestation of the desire throughout all the state for well trained teachers.

For good work at a reasonable price go to F. T. Mullikin at Wasco in the Kruse harness and saddlery building. Mr. Mullikin was for a number of years with H. L. Kuck at The Dalles.

J. F. Belshee has sold his farm property at Jefferson, Oregon, and is in the county seeking a location for returning. The continued poor health of Mrs. Belshee is the main reason for again becoming a resident of Sherman county.

Sixty nine per cent of the applicants who tried the last teachers examination were successful. The successful ones in Sherman county were: One year certificates, Florence C. Young, Moro; K. Cook Burritt, Klondyke; Bessie Whealey Kent; Standly D. Eaton, Grass Valley; Nellie Whealy, Shaniko.

An open county meeting of the Farmers Union locals in this county will be held at Grass Valley February 7th. All interested are invited to attend, whether members or no. Grass Valley union netted its membership a saving on the purchase of commodities last year of more than a thousand dollars.

Writing from Pasadena, California, under date of January 14th, Owen Thompson takes exception to what we quoted from a recent letter from Emerson Peoples that the roses of California could not begin to compare with the roses of Oregon; Mr. Thompson also said that in his garden he has raised the year round, which certainly beats Oregon.

County agricultural agents have been provided for by appropriations in ten counties of the state and steps for maintaining this service have been taken by practically one third of the counties in Oregon, which is a remarkable showing. The sum provided by each county will be duplicated by the state. The United States department of agriculture will also cooperate with the counties and the extension division of the agricultural college in carrying on the demonstration work.

Local Membership Club Dues

It has been voted by the members of the Moro Unity Club that the yearly dues of the organization shall be fixed at twenty-five cents per year. It was thought better to have a certain sum for membership dues so that all could have a certain sense of helping in any good work that might be undertaken by the club, and at the same time to provide a small amount of cash for the necessary postage, etc., necessary to any similar organization. The membership dues of \$5 has been paid the Oregon Development League for membership in the state organization, from the first dues paid, thus entitling all members, when in Portland, the use of the club rooms in the Portland Commercial Club building when visiting that city. Any member of the Unity Club is entitled to these benefits when in Portland. Any one residing in Moro or vicinity who has not become a member can do so by applying to L. W. Ross, secretary, or E.A. Dietrich, assistant secretary.

Sunday School Class Entertained

A meeting of the Primus Club, the young peoples class of the Presbyterian Sunday School, was held at the home of their teacher, F. E. Fagan, the evening of Thursday January 22d, that being the regular time for election, officers were elected for the next six months as follows: Adella Mortensen, president; Earnest McClure, vice president; Helen Hansen, secretary; Harry Pinkerton, treasurer. After the election of officers games occupied an important part of the evening. Refreshments consisting of ice cream and cake were served.

Chinese Eggs in America

Six hundred cases of Chinese eggs were included in the cargo of the steamer Siberia, which arrived at San Francisco January 15th. These eggs were admitted duty free under the new tariff act. Under the old tariff of five cents 4000 cases of the Chinese product were shipped in during the last year. Dealers say that the total importation will reach 20,000 cases in this year.

Sherman County Realty Transfers.

Dating from Jan. 17, to Jan. 24, 1913

W. F. G. Thacher to Julia K. Mercereau; lots 3, 4, and 5 block 1, town of Grass Valley, also a tract of land near Grass Valley \$10.00

United States to Fred Stuew; 1/4 of sw 1/4 section 35, twp 3 s and lots 3 and 4 of section 2 twp 4 s r 18 e w m.

At the last meeting night, January 22d, Bethlehem chapter No. 78 O. E. S. of Moro, the following officers were installed for the current term: Ethel Lewellen, worthy matron; W. A. Raymond, worthy patron; Eliza Morrison, conductress; Nellie Cushman, marshal; Nellie Meloy, Ada; Lilah Martin, Ruth; Anna Urquhart, Esther; Nanna Barzee, Martha; May Barnum, Electra; Grace Wallan, chaplain; Amanda Martin, organist; G. E. Lewellen, secretary; E. E. Barzee, treasurer; J. M. Parry, warder; Robt. Urquhart, sentinel. After the installation refreshments were served. Families of members were invited guests.

At the last meeting of the local Farmers Union held last Saturday the following officers were installed to serve during the current year: W. S. Powell, president; Omar Says, vice-president; F. R. Messinger, lecturer; C. G. Silver, secretary and treasurer; C. L. Ireland, corresponding secretary; G. A. Simon, chaplain; C. L. Powell, doorkeeper; Robt. Urquhart, conductor; W. F. Jackson, W. B. Johnston, and F. A. Says, executive committee. A pool for the purchase of sacks is now being formed, all members wishing to be considered please communicate with the president.

The Observer has had a request for information as to where either White Rocks or White Leghorns could be had in the county. It only costs 35 cents a week to tell our readers you have them, if you have them to sell. This party wants two dozen.

New Express Rates in February

All express companies operating in interstate business in the United States will go on the "block" system of business beginning with the first of February. Business within the state will continue under the old rates until the state commission authorizes a change to the new system.

The new system of "blocks" is some what similar to the parcel post system of zones; each express office is given an arbitrary number, that for Moro being 405, and each block is 69 miles north and south and varies in width from 45 to 63 miles, there being 950 blocks in the country; each block is further subdivided into sixteen smaller blocks for purposes of express business within the blocks.

Every express office in the country is listed in one general index, supplied all express agents by their company, and listed with the office is every express company doing business in each city. Under the new system any agent anywhere can in a few minutes tell anyone the exact rate for any size parcel, whether originating on their company line or not. For the benefit of our readers publish the new and the old rates into Moro from a few commonly used express points.

	Chicago	New York	Seattle
	old	new	old
1 lb.	30	29	30
3 "	45	45	48
5 "	80	61	80
7 "	100	78	105
10 "	140	103	150
11 "	160	111	165
15 "	215	144	215
20 "	275	186	285
30 "	400	269	420
50 lbs.	575	356	754

In addition there is a second class rate, which includes all food stuff and drinks, which is 75 per cent of the first class rate. The third class rate is one cent for each two ounces or fraction, this includes seeds, bulbs, roots, printed matter, etc., but not books which take another different rate.

Study Your Tax Notification

Assessor Otto Peetz has finished the tax roll for the year 1913 and turned it over to J. C. McKean as tax collector for the annual taxes needed to keep the wheels of government moving in Sherman county.

Seciff McKean has mailed his annual supply of valentine announcements for the payment of taxes to all those who must, under the new law, render unto Caesar the things that are Caesars not forgetting that soon will come another representative of Caesar to slip over onto the lucky ones a bunch of income tax collections for your Uncle Samuel.

For fear that a number will not read their tax notifications it may be well to state that this year no rebate is allowed; also that you can pay your taxes in two payments, one this spring and the other next September, but if you do you must also pay good big interest for the extended time; don't forget that, because the tax collector is not allowed to if you do.

The tax roll for Sherman county this year carries \$126,690.72; divided into state and county fund, \$67,134.82; special school taxes, \$28,488.38; road taxes, \$26,081.52; incorporated cities, \$4,966.00. Of this amount the O-W-R & N Co. pay \$36,272.18; the E. O. L. Co. \$10,040.39; the W. W. M. Co. \$2,168.10. The largest individual tax payer is E. O. McCoy, \$1,415.

Local Church Announcements for Sunday, February 1

Presbyterian church:
Services at 10 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Let us begin the new year right, keep holy the Sabbath day by giving the Lord one seventh of your time and we will find at the end of the year that no investment pays a better dividend. You are asked to try it. Welcome all. A. J. Adams, pastor.

Methodist Episcopal Church:
Preaching at Spaulding in the morning and Moro at night. Sunday School at 10 a. m. Prayer meeting Thursday evening at 7:30. C. A. Smith, pastor.

The third annual convention of the Oregon irrigation congress will be held at the Imperial hotel in Portland, February 13 and 14, 1914.

Destiny in Action

The United States is marching steadily, through unwillingly, toward a dominion over the Caribbean sea and the gulf of Mexico such as no nation has held over a similar body of water since the Mediterranean was a Roman lake.

The keys of the gulf and the caribbean are the isthmus of Panama and the west indian islands. The isthmus; at least, the most important portion of the isthmus, is ours. Congress in a lucid interval for which the country cannot be too grateful, provided the money at least to begin the fortification of the big ditch. To appreciate this one element in our grip on the waters of the south, we need only to imagine a fortified panama canal in the possession of a possible enemy. Any nation planning war with us would sacrifice an army corps and many a battleship to gain such an advantage.

And the islands, one by one, are coming under our sway, or within the sphere of our influence. Porto Rico is under our flag. The American customs officials keep the only order in that benighted chaos which is marked on the maps as Haiti. On the same island the border was between San Domingo and Haiti have been checked by the peremptory order of the American state department. The condition of Cuba can mean only ultimate annexation to the United States. Probably we shall have to take Haiti in hand next. Almost certainly we shall end by buying the Dutch and Danish west indian islands to keep them from falling into the hands of European competitors.

It is our doom, our destiny, not wholly a happy one; for we do not possess either the character or the political organization to make colonizing come easily. But little by little, and of late years much by much, we have been compelled to straighten out the tangles of the caribbean in the only practicable way.

It is a tremendous task; not lightly to be undertaken even by a nation as rich in energy and wealth as our own. But so far we have gone, we have done well. The panama canal speaks for itself; but the banishing of yellow fever from Cuba and the isthmus is a greater and more splendid feat than the digging of the canal. We have banished likewise the reconcentrado camp and the military executions at sunrise. Some day perhaps we shall stamp out the grosser manifestations of voodooism on another island.

Whatever may be said of our intrusion into the affairs of another continent, here at least is a white man's burden from which we cannot hope to escape. The stars in their courses have marked out our path; and, hang back and grumble as we may, in our heart of hearts we know we shall follow the stars.

City Council Meets

At the meeting of the council Monday evening a permit was voted Arthur Phillips to conduct a picture show in his building on Main street.

The marshal reported that the medicine show here last week paid a license fee of \$20.

Bills were ordered paid amounting to \$73. The treasurer report showed total receipts for the past quarter amounting to \$1598.05; which has been paid out and an over draft created of \$44.83. Of this amount paid, was \$300 of old warrants with interest charges accumulated of \$127; there is but \$192.63 of warrants outstanding of which amount \$150 is yet old warrants.

Very few cities the size of Moro can show a total indebtedness of less than \$200 over a bonded indebtedness of \$10,000.

Dates for the 1914 Round-Up have been definitely selected as September 24, 25 and 26 by the board of directors of the Round-Up. This early action was taken at the urgent request of the railroads who have agreed to advertise the Round-Up as an additional drawing card for their regular fall homeseekers excursion. After trying out nearly every week in September during the past four years the management has become firmly convinced that the last week in the month is the best time for staging the Round-Up and have selected it permanently.

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Strayed Away

From my farm eight miles east of Grass Valley a bay mare, three years old this spring, branded IS on right shoulder, fore top clipped, broke to work and shows collar marks. Reward paid for information or return. Phone at my expense or write to me at box 112, ARTHUR SMITH, tf-189 Grass Valley, Oregon.

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION.

In the County Court of the state of Oregon for Sherman county. In the matter of the estate of John R. Martin, deceased. Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, has been duly appointed Administrator of the estate of John R. Martin, deceased, and that all persons having claims against said deceased or his estate are hereby required to present the same, duly verified, with the proper vouchers, to the said Administrator, at the law office of Bright, Bryant & Ellis in Moro in said County and State, within six months, from the date of this notice. Dated at Moro, Sherman County, Oregon, this 24 day of January, A. D. 1914. Jane C. Martin, Administratrix. BRYANT, BRYANT AND ELLIS, Attorneys for Administratrix. 6t-196-189

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