

The Observer.

MORO, OREGON.

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We will not be responsible for the neglect of subscribers to notify us of changes in their address. Nor will the notification of a Postmaster that the subscriber has "Removed" settle the bill of a delinquent.



Preferential treatment accorded by Canada to Japan is aiding the Japs to capture the Canadian buton trade. Buttons imported from the United States into Canada are dutiable at 42 1/2 per cent advalor-em, while those from Japan go in under the Canadian intermediate tariff at 37 1/2 per cent, the long haul from Japan being offset by cheaper labor cost. Japan is over-looking no bets while the war is on.

Reports from the National Forest reserves of Washington, Oregon and California by the national forest rangers are to the effect that an average of nine feet more snow is yet in the mountains than last year. Many areas, usually open to rangers, hunters, campers and fishermen earlier than this, will be snow blocked for several weeks.

Sherman County an Incentive to Others

Sherman county has responded so quickly and spontaneously to the call for funds with which the people of the United States will finance the work of the Red Cross during the war that other communities are asking those in charge, "How do you do it?"

When E. C. Pease, of The Dalles, in charge of this work for the counties of Wasco and Sherman, reported by phone to those in charge in Portland gathered at a banquet at the Hotel Portland to outline their work for Red Cross week, that these two counties had \$33,500 subscribed before the close of the first day and that their quota of \$15,000 would be made \$45,000; when that news was given to those leaders at Portland it was eleven minutes before they could be quieted and the cheering stopped so that the balance of the message could be delivered. Mr. Pease stated in the message that the inspiration for Wasco county came from Sherman county, where \$8,500 was raised in one day's presentation of the work and the need of its being financed by voluntary contributions.

Recognition of the effective manner in which the Army and Navy Y. M. C. A. the Liberty Bonds and the Red Cross has been presented in Sherman county was further enhanced Tuesday when L. Barnum was asked by those in charge of the work in Gilliam county to bring assistance and help with the canvass in that section. Accordingly a party consisting of L. Barnum, Rev. Robertson, W. F. Jackson, and J. B. Hosford left early Wednesday morning in Mr. Barnum's auto for work in that county.

Voluntary contributions from

Moro and vicinity for the work of the Red Cross totaled Tuesday evening close to \$7000, not all having reported. There were 54 individuals contributing \$5600; one \$75; 10 \$50; one \$40; two \$30; 12 \$25, and a large number in amounts ranging from \$20 to \$1. Some were children, but whatever the amount it was given cheerfully and willingly.

A public meeting was held at Kent Wednesday afternoon. Those speaking at the meeting were E. C. Pease, E. O. McCoy and Rev. Maple of The Dalles. They were assisted by John Wills, who has been engaged by the Elks lodge to make addresses in the principle cities of the country entitled "Tribute to the Flag." The same speaker gave an address at Wasco Wednesday evening.

Wednesday afternoon the total for Wasco and Sherman counties was \$45,000 and the "drive" continuing. Of this amount Moro was credited with \$7100; Wasco, \$7000; Grass Valley about \$5000, and Kent \$1000 in \$100 subscriptions. Two autos from The Dalles, two from Moro and one from Grass Valley carried the delegation visiting Kent.

All monies received by subscription during this drive which is being staged by local men is to be sent direct to Washington, D. C.

Annual School Meeting.

At the annual school meeting for Moro district held Monday afternoon in the school house W. C. Bryant was unanimously re-elected director to serve for three years and F. E. Fortner was unanimously re-elected clerk to serve for one year.

The report of the clerk for the year just closed showed the district has 146 children of school age; that the district held a nine months' term of school, employing six teachers, using six rooms; that there are 157 legal voters in the district; and that the district has a library of 1200 volumes, of which 84 were purchased during the year.

Moro district has taxable property to the value of \$6,377,063 and school property valued at \$17,500. The district has funds on hand at this time amounting to \$2,182.62. The expense of operation last year was \$7,194.04. Funds received from various sources during the school year were:

Cash on hand June, 1916	\$ 452.38
District tax	6,355.80
County school fund	1,182.20
State school fund	269.04
Tuition, high school	1,117.24

Total \$9,376.66

The school board has let a contract for the building of two annexes to the present building at a cost of \$18,138. This is in excess of the estimates, caused by the advance in price of all building material and is unavoidable. To meet the excess over the amount of bonds voted for the new building a number of citizens of Moro district have advanced the money by means of a joint note, the same to be paid later by the district.

Results of the Farm Survey.

A summary of the farm survey which has been carried on in Oregon under the direction of the government has been compiled for 21 of the 36 counties of the state and shows some very interesting facts, among which are an increase in the acreage of all the principal cereal and food crops, with the exception of fall wheat, and an increase in all classes of livestock with the exception of stock hogs.

A tremendous demand for labor during the harvest season and a need for capital and machinery wherewith to increase production this year are other facts indicated.

That the labor situation will be a limiting factor in the harvesting of the additional acreage of the crops planted this year seems certain. More than 5000 farm hands are called for by 6500 farmers, and this by no means indicates the total number that will be required for the entire state.

A number of farmers indicated that they desired additional capital this year, and the total amount required was \$191,613. A total of 540 planting and harvesting machines were requested by farmers. Such requests for assistance are being met.

The seed situation was not alarming. In practically every county the amount of seed available was sufficient to take care of seeds that were needed.

Every county showed a decided increase in the number of acres planted to beans. The net increase for the 21 counties is 3734 acres, which is 370 per cent greater than last year's crop; likewise has increased the potato acreage, the acreage for the 21 counties being 90 per cent greater than that in 1916. Every county with the exception of Wheeler and Columbia counties increased their corn acreage. Polk, Sherman and Union counties were the only three out of the 21 which did not report an increase in hay acreage. The net increase indicates that the acres in hay this year will be 18 per cent greater than last year.

Fall wheat shows a net decrease of 28,883 acres, which is 36 per cent less than the 1916 acreage, but spring wheat has increased 25,604 acres, which is 70 per cent more than the number of acres in 1916. The oat acreage has increased 14 per cent and barley has increased 58 per cent in the counties reporting.

The number of livestock shows net increase in practically every instance. The net increase is 26 per cent over the number on hand a year ago.

The number of brood sows is practically the same this year as last, but stock hogs have decreased 16 per cent. The number of breeding ewes in the 21 counties is also the same as that of a year ago, but the number of sheep other than breeding ewes has increased 5 per cent. All counties except Lane, Marion and Umatilla report an increase in the number of brood mares this year as compared with last. The net increase for the 21 counties is 8 per cent. The number of other horses in the 21 counties show a net increase of 6 per cent. Poultry has increased 40 per cent. Union and Washington counties were the only two which reported a decrease in the number of poultry as compared with last year.

The United States Civil Service Commission announces that an examination for stenographer and typewriter, field service, will be held in forty different cities throughout the Eleventh Civil Service District June 30, 1917. Both men and women will be admitted to this examination. There is an urgent need of male stenographers and typewriters for all branches of the service in the Eleventh District, but particularly in the Quartermaster Corps of the United States Army, at an entrance salary of \$1000 per annum. Typewriters without a knowledge of stenography are in demand and every eligible on the male typewriter register willing to accept an entrance salary of \$1000 per annum will be appointed male typewriters willing to serve their country under the conditions named should apply for this examination. Applications and full information will be furnished by the local secretary, Board of Civil Service Examiners, post office, at any of the offices where the examination will be held, or by the district secretary, room 303, Post Office Bldg., Seattle, Wash.

The REO Automobile Is Now Universally Recognized as Having no Competitor.

THE Reo Automobile

Just go down the line and make comparisons. Where is there a car at or near the price that is in the same class? Think of the quality, the reputation of the REO; consider the bigness, the larger tires, the genuine leather upholstery, the low upkeep, accessibility, oversized bearings, economy—and it's one cinch it can clean up any other car at or near the price.

These multiple features have created a tremendous demand for the REO. We again caution you that there won't be, can't be, enough REOS to go around. Only those who order now and take delivery as soon as the local dealer can supply them, will be numbered among the "lucky ones" who will drive REOS this season. To those who have other cars, if you've decided to quit experimenting and buy a REO see to it that your Reo dealer is advised in the form of an actual order, or you sure will be disappointed.

Dr. Morse has just bought his third REO, a roadster. W. A. Medler and Frank Landborn are both driving their third REOS. It stands the test of continued use. Every REO owner is a booster.

The REO—the Gold Standard of Value

Geo. N. Crosfield, WASCO, OREGON

Help the Red Cross Fund.

How important may be your donation in the alleviation of suffering and misery among the wounded on the battlefields of Europe, where the American soldiers will soon be doing their bit to help win the war, is shown by some figures prepared by the Red Cross. For example:

- One cent will buy iodine to disinfect a wound;
- One cent will buy enough gauze for one dressing;
- A nickel will buy a bandage;
- Eight cents will pay for a temporary splint;
- A dime will provide chloroform for an operation.

Twenty-five cents expended as above may save a limb or a life of a wounded soldier. Every man, woman and child in the state can do something in this gigantic Red Cross campaign. There will be many of those who are not circumstanced so as to be among the heavy givers, but there never was a movement in the history of philanthropy which offered such abundant opportunity for the high and low, rich and poor to join hands in the common cause as is presented by the American Red Cross. The humble penny, the modest nickel and the bright little dime, each can and does do a definite practical thing toward the work that is before us to do. The child's mite and the rich man's millions will each be received with equal welcome and each will serve the same degree of efficiency in the Red Cross work.

Lessons in Grain Grading.

The first grain grading school ever held in the United States has just been concluded at the Oregon Agricultural College with such success that the work will be continued in a series of extension courses held in various parts of the state by the Extension Service. The school was designed to enable farmers, millers and grain dealers to determine the classes and grades of all northwest wheats, so that the milling and marketing values can be ascertained before the grain is sent to market.

The school just concluded showed that wheat men can readily learn the classes into which any local-grown samples fall, and that after classification the placing into grades is a simple matter. It also developed that most of the important wheats grown in the Pacific Northwest is cared for in the federal grain standardization rules, and all samples thus covered are given ratings according to the federal standards. A few classes fall outside the federal classes, and these will be taken up a joint hearings before the public service commissions of Oregon and Washington, at which equitable classifications will be made.

I can now make immediate delivery on the Super Six, the Grant Six and the Maxwell. Call or write me at Wasco, Ore. J. R. Knappert.

A Straight Tip on the Fuel and Lumber Situation

We are in the grip of the worst car shortage the world has ever known—and it is getting worse.

Ninety per cent of all fuel shipments will be made during the three summer months.

Next to fuel, shipments of silo and granary material will have precedence over all others—as this tends to increase the country's food supply.

We suggest that you anticipate your wants and order your supplies at once.

We will be pleased to talk these matters over with you in person.

At the Home of Tum-A-Lumber The Place for Tum-A-Lump

See H. U. Martin About It.

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MORO, OREGON



THE greatest bulwark against the indigence of old age or the financial drain caused by a protracted illness is a bank account. If you are a business man making big profits; if you are an employee with a fine salary, plan to lay aside a certain sum weekly. Then if the rainy day comes along it will find you prepared.

In times of stress you'll find that your bank account is your friend. You can look the world in the eye. The man with a bank account looks better, feels better, is better than the man without a bank account. We transact all kinds of banking business.

SEE US ABOUT AN ACCOUNT TODAY.

"Bank of Moro" MORO, OREGON

DO YOU OWN A "ONE YEAR" CAR? PAY \$500 MORE AND GET A QUALITY CAR. \$1350 BUYS A CHALMERS.

In going over our records a few days ago we found that 80 per cent of the men who had bought Chalmers cars this year previously owned "one year" cars.

Please pardon us for using a technical term such as "one year" cars. It is a name that has grown up among automobile salesmen and service men. It means, briefly, a car that looks well when new, runs well when new, but peters out towards the end of its first year.

10,000 miles is long life for the "one year" car.

Chalmers has never sought the "one year" car trade. Chalmers has always sought the quality trade.

Perhaps that fact explains our sales records. It evidently shows a rather decided tendency towards a better car, and we feel complimented naturally, that the trend is toward Chalmers.

Our advice, could we only get hold of those who are buying their first car, would be to pay \$500 more and get quality.

For what is worse than a cheap pair of shoes, a cheap hat, cheap food or cheap jewelry?

Quality you never forget. By the way, have you ever sat behind the wheel of a Chalmers?



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