

The Observer

MORO, SHERMAN CO., OREGON

Official Paper for Sherman County.

FRIDAY, Sept. 7, 1917

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. PARKY, Secretary.

Bethlehem Chapter
No. 78 O. E. S.
Regular communication each 2d and 4th Thursday evenings monthly. Mrs. NELLIE CUSHMAN, Worthy Matron. Mrs. MAY BARNUM, Secretary.

Farmers Educational and Co-Operative Union of America
MORO LOCAL NO. 41

Meets in I. O. O. F. hall each 2nd and 4th Saturday afternoon. Visiting members welcome. W. S. POWELL, President. C. G. SILVER, Secretary.

Local Church Announcements

Methodist church:
Sunday school at 10 a. m. A. M. Wright, superintendent. Classes for all ages and graded lessons. John Robertson, Pastor

Presbyterian Church:
Sabbath school at 10 a. m., F. E. Fagan, superintendent. There will be a special temperance program.

11 a. m., regular services.
7:30 p. m., evening service—note the hour.

Services at Monland: Bible school at 2 p. m., preaching at 3 p. m.

Tuesday, Sept. 11, at 8 p. m., there will be given a reception to the Hansell and Wallan families in the Presbyterian church. All are invited.

You are cordially invited to all of these services.

B. Trueblood Smith, pastor.

Mayor Barnum was a business visitor at Portland this week.

Dr. and Mrs. J. R. Morgan have returned from their vacation.

Royal Bakery Bread fresh daily at the Moro Trading Co.'s store.

L. L. Peetz arrived home Wednesday with a new Cadillac eight.

Crosfield, at Wasco, is and has been selling fruit and berry Sugar at \$8.90.

L. J. Pape and family have returned to their Portland home for the winter.

Miss Esther McKinney has been employed as clerk in the Moro Trading Co.

The Jefferson Review quotes fir wood as selling at \$3.50 per cord at that place.

Abstracts promptly made by the Sherman County Abstract Co., Moro, Oregon.

Ask for Preferred Stock groceries for sale by Moro Trading Co. Easily the best.

J. B. Holman, wife and daughter were visitors from Portland in Sherman county the past week.

Midnight Wednesday the four months' of dry weather in this vicinity was broken by two hours of precipitation that totaled .17ths of an inch.

Miss Una Davies, who has been visiting with Miss Grace Muir, returned Sunday to her home at Portland.

Come in and look at our Men's Ready-to-Wear Clothes. Moro Trading Co. Summer weights now in.

J. M. Marlen was visiting in Moro this week from Rutledge at the home of his daughter, Mrs. O. E. Baker.

Mrs. E. M. Sias is visiting with her son, B. M. Sias, near DeMoss, accompanied by her daughter, Miss Mary A. Sias.

Hans Gosch has been a visitor this week from The Dalles at the home of Henry Johnson and mother, south of Moro.

If you have a news item, tell it to the Observer. Don't imagine we know it and then wonder why it is not in the paper phone it in.

Dr. C. L. Poley accompanied Mrs. Lois S. Barzee to Portland Friday, where she submitted to an operation for acute appendicitis.

The finder of a breast pin, with amethyst set, lost last Thursday, will receive reward by communicating with post office box 107, Moro.

Wait for Dr. Freeze if you need eye service. Regular trips each month to Moro and other towns.

L. L. Peetz has sold his wrecked Studebaker to J. F. Foss, who has sold it to Everett Hastings, Mr. Hastings paying for the necessary repairs.

Mrs. J. C. McKean is helping in the sheriff's office, pending the appointment of a deputy to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of R. C. Ornduff.

W. F. Hulery has bought the G. W. Hansell city property. Mr. Hansell and family will move to Lewiston, Idaho, where he has recently bought farm property.

B. M. Sias has sold the Hardin place to O. B. Messinger, who takes possession the first of October. Mr. Sias is trading for the Hal Morrow place south of Kent.

Mrs. F. E. Dunton and children returned Sunday from the Willamette valley, where she has been visiting with her parents. Mr. Dunton met them at The Dalles.

Gus Engstrom and Jim Blagg were in Moro Monday attending the meeting of farmers addressed by H. A. Martin upon the classification of wheat and new government grain standards.

When an autoist buys tubes, blow-out patches or boots, they want fresh stock. Foss & Co. have a complete new, fresh line of anything wanted of this kind, and of dependable manufacture also.

Hugh A. Martin, federal grain supervisor with offices in Portland, addressed a representative meeting of farmers Monday afternoon in the I. O. O. F. hall explaining the new Federal grain grades and standards.

A letter received from S. D. Montgomery at Mosier says that forest fires are crowding them a little too much for comfort, but that the fruit crop in the Mosier valley is excellent this year, with labor scarce and wages high.

Engineer Sheets is authority for the statement that the drilled well is gradually failing in production. Because of cooler weather and regulation of irrigation there has been an apparent increase in supply that is not borne out by the facts.

G. E. Lewellen and family returned Sunday by auto from a visit in the Willamette valley and Portland. Mrs. Lewellen and children have been away most of the summer, Mr. Lewellen going down the Sunday previous to bring them home.

James F. Perkins of Wasco and Albert E. Benefel of Klondike were the first Sherman county men to respond to the call of the National Army. Both men reported to the board Tuesday and left Wasco by train Wednesday morning for American Lake.

I. C. Cook, wife and daughter, accompanied by Mr. Vest, motored up from Vancouver, Wash., last Sunday for a visit with John Hastings and family, returning Monday. Mr. Cook is a merchant in Vancouver and took advantage of Monday being Labor Day to make the trip.

A miscellaneous shower was given by her many friends to Mrs. Leroy Kunsman Wednesday afternoon at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. P. Hansen. Mrs. B. T. Smith, with a few well chosen words, introduced the bride to the company, followed by all singing "America." Other features of the program was a humorous reading by Mrs. W. C. Bryant and a vocal solo by Miss Neita Martin. The rooms were prettily decorated with the National colors, cut flowers and trailing vines. Each guest received a small silk American flag as a souvenir of the occasion.

Erratt Wilson upset his Ford car near the Michigan school house last Friday with no serious injury to himself or the other occupants, his brother Jim and C. S. Forrester. A front tire was torn off when the wheel hit a large hole, and almost immediately another large hole was struck on the opposite side. Erratt and Jim were pinned under the steering wheel, but Forrester got out from under by climbing through the torn back curtain. Erratt got out without assistance and the two moved the car off Jim. Erratt said this was his eleventh accident and third turn-over since last March.

M. A. Moody, owner of the Miller toll bridge at the mouth of the DesChutes river has made three proposals to the Wasco and Sherman county courts in response to their request that he place a valuation upon his property so that a new bridge be built by the counties and used by the public without charge. The first proposition places a valuation of \$2,042.10 for the bridge site and \$22,500 damage to a concrete sand pit; the amount involved in the second proposition is somewhat less; the third proposition values the bridge site at \$1145.50, damage to concrete sand \$6650, damage to power site \$5500, use of bridge during construction \$3000. Proposition 1 calls for a bridge 177 feet above m.s.l.; 2, 190 feet above m.s.l.; 3, 182 feet.

Umatilla County Crop Items

The following items were taken from the Weston Leader and refer to two former Moro boys, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Woods:

E. L. Woods cropped 60 bushels of barley to the acre from 160 acres of the A. B. Woods farm. His quarter section of wheat yielded 30 bushels to the acre. Both cereals were spring sown on summer fallow.

Early spring sown barley fared well this season, having "beat out" the hot wave. W. E. Woods had a splendid yield—no less than 4800 sacks from 120 acres—at the Price Bros. ranch on Dry creek. He sowed the barley in March, on summer fallow.

The last issue of the Condón Times says that "the steel on Cottonwood bridge is in place and both spans will probably be riveted and completed by September 1st. The fill on the Gilliam county side is completed.

Nearly one million dollars worth of work is now under construction by the state highway commission, and work planned for next year will cost an additional \$3,000,000.

County Court Proceedings

September Term, 1917.

J. N. MacInnis, petition for road granted as for 40 feet wide; county surveyor and viewers to meet at the beginning of said road September 25.

Gro. W. Coy, road petition; report of viewers received and petition dismissed.

Road districts 1, 2, 6, 13, 15, 17, boundary lines changed so that all of Girkirg canyon shall hereafter be in road district 13, which said district shall extend from the Columbia river at Rufus to the city limits of Wasco, principally along and through the said Girkirg canyon.

Report of J. C. McKean, sheriff, accepted.

Moro, Ore., Sept. 1, 1917.

To the Honorable County Court:

The following is a true report of all taxes collected by me on the 1916 tax roll and the disbursements thereof:

Total amount of 1916 tax roll, \$150,326.63

Amount collected—turned over to county treasurer, \$83,148.50

Cash on hand and in bank, 4,808.20

Bal. due and uncollected on 1916 roll

Sept. 1, 1917, 62,369.93

J. C. McKean, tax collector

Resignation of W. D. Wallen, county treasurer, accepted.

Funds on hand, Sept. 1.

County fund, \$4,478.91

Road fund, 38.66

School fund, 2,710.53

Fair fund, state appropriation, 445.41

High School fund, 89.09

School District 7, 12.60

9, 40.33

13, 15.65

21, 48

30, 21

31, 1.54

32, 1.84

37, 3.28

Interest on bonds—

School District 9, 436.51

17, 240.00

23, 125.00

35, 15.00

City of Wasco, 14.49

Cash on hand, Bank of Moro, \$8,669.53

W. D. Wallen, county treasurer

Applications of F. E. Fortner and G. B. Bourhill for appointment as treasurer received and considered. G. B. Bourhill appointed

Following bills were allowed:

Fred Krusow, county judge, \$ 75.00

E. D. McKee, county commissioner, 12.00

J. M. Wilson, county commissioner, 10.40

J. C. McKean, sheriff, 300.00

J. C. McKean, expenses, 31.15

R. C. Ornduff, dep. sheriff and janitor, 200.00

K. A. McPherson, clerk, salary, 250.00

K. A. McPherson, expenses, 16.85

P. H. Buxton, dep. clerk, salary, 150.00

P. H. Buxton, care road books, 33.33

W. D. Wallen, county treasurer, 33.34

Otto Peetz, assessor, 250.00

F. E. Fagan, school supt., 250.00

C. L. Poley, county physician, 45.58

Jas Stewart, stock inspector, 50.00

R. D. Jackson, telephone rental, 12.50

Mrs. H. Douma, widow's pension, 35.00

Helen Whalley, dep. assessor, 47.25

J. M. Parry, postage, assessor, 10.00

" " clerk, 50.85

" " sheriff, 81.50

Glass & Prudhomme, supplies, 222.37

L. W. Ross, hall rent, election, 10.00

M. G. Melzer, hall rent, election, 8.00

Mrs. M. E. Wallis, hall rent, election, 10.00

C. L. Poley, board of health, 1.75

W. E. Tate, board of health, 4.25

C. L. Poley, coroner's fees, 10.00

Multnomah county, account Mrs. Armstrong, insane, 5.00

Hattie B. Laurence, pauper, 19.30

F. E. Brown, fruit inspector, 60.00

B. M. Sias, indemnity for cattle condemned, 75.00

F. E. Fagan, supt. expenses, 27.05

F. E. Dunton, 8th grade examinations, 6.00

Fred Krusow, judge, expenses, 6.50

Moro Pharmacy, pauper account, 40

Bourhill & Co., court house, 35

G. N. Grosfield, pauper account, 52.95

W. H. Bennett, hall rent, election, 7.00

Sherman County Observer, printing, 43.85

J. F. Kearney, district sealer, 6.95

Hotel Wasco, hall rent, election, 7.00

Sumpter Relief Fund, 100.00

Comparing Past With Present

In the Looking Backward column of 25 years ago in The Dalles Chronicle recently appeared this item: "Sherman county crops are anything but good. About half a crop of wheat is expected but it will prove to be a great deal less. Threshing is now in full blast and will be over by September first. Wheat averages 10 to 12 bushels to the acre and is selling at the railroad at from 60 to 70 cents per bushel. Barley is scarce and farmers ask \$1.26 and upward for 100 pounds. Oats is almost an entire failure throughout Sherman."

Those in charge of the business department of the national Army and Navy Y. M. C. A. war work council assert that it costs \$30,000 a month to supply the soldiers of the west with writing paper, envelopes, pens and ink, so that they may write home. It is one of the most important features of the Y. M. C. A. work.

The Pendleton Tribune propounds this question for mathematicians to wrestle with: "If a ewe will shear \$6 worth of wool, and will drop a lamb which will bring \$10 at four months of age, what is the ewe worth? Interest is now about 8 per cent and it costs about \$5 a year to run the ewe. Figure it out."

Chrome iron ore has been discovered in the John Day Valley. The same sort of iron is now being mined near Canyon City in paying quantities.

The new 100,000 bushel capacity elevator built at Heppner by the Farmers' Union has been completed at a cost of \$20,000.

Why worry? Not everything the politicians say about each other is true. If it were this would be a sad old world.

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