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The Work of the O. M. P.

The Sherman County Detachment of the 4th Co., Oregon Military Police have been in this county nearly a month and during that time have covered about 3000 miles, on patrol, and have called on nearly every farmer in the county. Their efforts have not been confined to any one locality, you will find an O. M. P. in every part of the county ready for anything that should arise. The work has been mostly to do with the protection of the wheat crop, and so far they have had very little "Wobbler" trouble or pro-German activity—they are fast becoming good Americans. They have had a few would-be agitators and in every case have been able to show them the error of their ways and they are now doing good work in the wheat fields. From reports received and from investigation by outside parties we can say that Sherman county is one of the cleanest in the state; by that is meant, very little trouble of any kind. All of this has been made possible by the hearty co-operation of the farmer, farm labor and the Home Guard Co. The O. M. P. work will continue until the last bushel of grain has been shipped out of the county. The danger of large wheat field fires is nearly over and from now on the warehouses will receive attention. Be very careful if you have to go near these places after dark. The men are on the job and their orders are very strict. They

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will not argue with an incendiary, that is certain, and it is hard to tell the difference after dark. The county has plenty of farm help and they are a very good class of men. With continued favorable weather the harvest will soon be over and the grain shipped. Continue to cooperate and our "doughboys" will eat bread made from Sherman county wheat, on the other side of the Rhine next year.

Increase Winter Wheat Acreage

Wheat, the staple food crop for all nations and kindred and people, for the boys of France as well as those at home, must be produced in greater quantities next year to supply the needs.

The United States Department of Agriculture is asking for a 7 per cent to a 12 per cent increase over last year and is assigning every state its quota. Oregon had 562,000 acres of winter wheat in 1917 and the minimum acreage to be planted in 1918 is 590,000 or an increase of 5 per cent. If possible we are asked to plant 692,000 acres an increase of 23 per cent over last year. This maximum is just equal to Oregon's acreage in 1914, which was the largest in the last five years.

Sherman county is a wheat county and every possible acre will be sown to wheat and as much of this will be sown to winter wheat as will be possible under conditions. Considerable spring seeding was done last year on spring plowing and consequently the summer fallow acreage was reduced, but under favorable fall conditions Sherman county will still be able to fill her part of the quota.

New Date for Registration

A presidential proclamation soon to be issued will require all persons who have attained their 21st birthday since June 5th, 1918, and on or before August 24th, 1918, to register on Saturday, August 24th. Such registration concerns only those who have become 21 years of age since June 5th, 1918, and on or before August 24th, 1918, and must not be confused with the larger registration to be made during September.

Registration regulations No. 2 are to govern this registration and by reason of the small number to be registered but one registration place in the county will be provided.

Registrants will not be assigned numbers by the local board; these will later be assigned the registrants by the state adjutants office and certified back to the local board when determined.

Attorney W. C. Bryant returned Thursday evening from the Bryant & Hansen ranch, east of Moro, where he has been superintending the rounding up of their cattle on the John Day pasture breaks for transfer to their ranch for the winter. At the present time Bryant & Hansen have 60 head of cattle on 50 acres of corn, standing from five to seven feet tall. Mr. Bryant says that the cattle seem to enjoy immensely the pleasure of pulling plump ears of corn off the stalk and that it takes but a short time for them to eat their fill and are ready for rest and water.

Chas. Bullard with his motor-driven Deering combine, called the baby harvester to distinguish them from the larger machines, has made a harvest record this season that any machine might have to hurry to equal. He finished his run on Tuesday of this week, cutting a total of 275 acres in the three weeks the machine was in the field. During that time the machine lost a total of about four days by reason of damp mornings and no work was done on Sundays. Yet the machine, with 10 horses and only one man besides the owner made an average of 20 acres per day with an actual working time of 14 days. The time lost by the machine was not lost by the crew as they used that time to pick up the sacks and when the work of harvesting the crop was finished the fields were clean of wheat sacks as well.

The school board has had Contractor Ramsey build a set of 38 combination lockers in the high school auditorium, to be used during athletic events and for the convenience of those using the shower bath appliances. At the same time fixtures have been built in the Domestic Science room, consisting of tables and drawers; book cases have been built in the school library room sufficient to accommodate 4,000 volumes. The case being 26 feet long and 7 feet high; in the laboratory room a cabinet has been built, having glass doors in the upper half and with panel doors in the lower section, this improvement being 18 feet long and 7 feet high. The blackboards have also been repaired and more blackboard space provided, preparatory to the opening of school on September 16th.

A new law is in process of formation to be presented to the next legislature by which taxes to owners of autos will be increased slightly to provide a fund with which the state will post signs on all roads throughout the state. There is now a law compelling the road supervisors and county courts to do this work, and each section of the state considers that in their own locality it is done right up to the minute. This is noticed more from the direction of Portland than other parts of the state, yet even in Multnomah county the lack of road signs is very noticeable to a lost and lone auto tourist. Probably such a law and extra tax on auto users may be the proper way to secure road signs that are standardized over the state.

Ten parents brought their children to the Red Cross rooms last Wednesday to be measured and examined in accordance with the request of the National Children's Bureau of eugenics. Those in charge of the work for Moro are Mrs. Poley, Mrs. Bryant, and Mrs. Muir. Babies from six months to six years are eligible for this test. Bring your babies to the committee and ascertain if anything is wrong with their diet or general health. No charge will be made for the service and all advice possible will be given parents that will make for better babies.

Miss Mary Elliot of Oakland, and Ernest S. Everett of Camas, Wash., were married at the Christian church at Napa, California, on August 9th, Rev. A. D. Baker reading the ceremony. Mr. Everett is a member of the United States marine corps, stationed at Mare Island, while Mrs. Everett is well known as a teacher. Mrs. Everett and her mother, Mrs. J. H. Elliott, are now visiting in California, where they expect to remain some time, visiting with relatives in Pasadena, when Mr. Everett returns to his military duties at Mare Island.

Tractor Agency at Moro

Ginn, Coleman & Co. have secured the agency for the Yuba tractors in the three counties of Sherman, Gilliam and Wasco. This machine has been thoroughly tested and tried out by experienced farmers who have operated tractors for a considerable period with satisfactory results.

Ginn, Coleman & Co. will carry a full stock of all necessary parts needed for replacement at their Moro warehouse and a complete stock of replacement supplies will be carried at Spokane for this territory. Any part needed for a repair can, under this arrangement be supplied on short notice.

The model 12-20 Yuba tractor is built to supply a demand for a compact, narrow, reasonably priced, yet powerful machine of the endless track type. It will pull an eight-foot double-disc harrow, is only fifty-five inches wide, and powerful enough to pull a five-disc plow, yet small enough to go anywhere. The model 12-20 Yuba is four feet seven inches high, and is very conservatively rated at 12 h. p. on the drawbar. Equipped with the ball tread and generous track area, it has the power and traction to pull a plow anywhere a plow should go.

The rigid frame of the Yuba is composed of steel channels of special heavy section, fitted into machined surfaces. All shearing strain is taken from bolts and rivets.

The machine is equipped with a tiller wheel operated by a ball-bearing swing circle and is one factor in making the machine easy to handle. To take up road shocks the axle bushing works up and down in forks against powerful springs, which take the weight of the forward end and allows it to turn in response to a light touch with the steering wheel—as easily as does an automobile.

The motor is of the heavy-duty type

with very long stroke. It has a great reserve power, only sixty per cent of its power output being required to deliver its rated load at the draw-bar. Side plates on the crank case permits of convenient inspection and easy adjusting of connecting rod bearings. It is equipped with an automatic priming device for starting when cold. An efficient positive speed-regulating governor is also built in the motor. The radiator of the flat tube type with cast-iron frame, making it very rigid, leaks are easily repaired. The flat tubes will not burst from freezing, as they can readily expand.

The Yuba is also equipped with a Donaldson Air Cleaner. This is a clarifier that keeps all dust out of the motor. It requires a minimum of attention. Oftentimes two or three cupfuls of dust will be removed from it at the end of a day's work in dry soil.

The transmission is of the sliding gear type built with a differential and independent brakes on each cross shaft to retard or stop one side for short turning. There are three speeds forward and one reverse. There is a direct drive on all three speeds, the intermediate gear being the plowing speed, and the low speed being used on grades or heavy pulls. The machine will give the same draw-bar pull on a fifteen per cent grade on low that it sustains on level ground on the intermediate speed. This is an important point. It gives the Yuba an advantage over a large number of other machines in work in hilly ground. The high gear is suitable for road hauling or for high speed, discing with light implements. There are only two reductions on any speed from motor to treads. Every gear runs in an oil bath and is enclosed in an air-tight dust-proof case.

The drive to the treads is direct through a manganese steel pinion, the ball race and tread acting as an internal gear at the point of engagement. This pinion is protected, and the improvement and simplification of design at this point is an important feature. No gears or pinions in the Yuba tractor are exposed to dirt or grit.

With the Colors at Camp Lewis

Camp Lewis, August 4, 1918. The Observer.—As per my promise before I left for American Lake to write to you, I will now try. Our trip here was made in about fifteen hours, we getting on a drafted men's special at The Dalles, of about eight cars, and about 500 noisy, Berlin-bound draftees. Upon arriving each county's quota was put to themselves and checked over and put through the first inspection tent. Here we were cut in two. Eight of us are still together; the other eight I have not seen nor heard of.

We are in quarantine now for measles, and can only get away from our barracks in column with an officer. Today we marched to Puget Sound, about four miles, had sandwiches and ice cream. Seemed pretty good after being in our barracks for a week. Of course we can go to our drill ground, but that is close to our barracks. We drill daily but the drilling is not hard now, and I do not think it ever will be. Some few men complain of their back or feet. As for myself I call it good exercise.

The officers, as a rule, are not ill-natured or harsh. They want our attention when they call for it, and expect us to give it, and do and drill the best we can.

The sleeping quarters and beds are fine, in our building, up-stairs, there are 100 beds where I am, with plenty of room and ventilation. The eats also are what I call No. 1. Of course we have butter only twice weekly and brown sugar twice daily, but there is always plenty of meat, spuds, beans, bread, a little fruit, and something to drink.

Our dining room seats 250 and in feeding that many it is rough at its best, so one has to "pitch in" like the rest of them do to get his share of the grub. After eating we all wash our own dishes and dry them. The washing of the serving dishes and setting the tables, also scrubbing the floor and the tables, is done by the kitchen police or the K.P. as they are called. The K.P. is made up of ten men chosen daily in rotation from the company. There being 300 men in my company, it will only come to me about once a month, unless some one commits a minor offense of some kind, then he gets the K. P. job for a day or more my turn is put off that much further.

The regulations are pretty strict, but that must be expected where there are so many men of all kinds and disposition. This is especially true on inspection day when our suit case, extra pair of shoes, etc., must be just so, and everything else spick and span.

Being in quarantine, I have not seen much of the camp, what I have noticed is the wind stirs up more dust here than I ever saw in Sherman county and it is much dirtier too, being black and ashy. Must close for this time and will try to write again soon. Would like to have my friends consider this a letter to each one of them and answer it some time.

Thomas H. Douma, 166 Depot Brigade, 15th Company, 4th Barracks, American Lake, Wash.

State Fair, Salem, Oregon, September 23-28. Splendid exhibits, excellent music, high class entertainments and superb racing card. For particulars write A. H. Lea, Secretary, Salem, Oregon.

Remember Mullikin, the harness man, is now at Wasco. Call and see him.

Notice of Final Settlement

In the County Court of the state of Oregon for Sherman county, in the matter of Estate of Henry Smith, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has filed in the above entitled court her final report and account and that Tuesday, the 3d day of September, A. D. 1918, at the hour of 10 o'clock a. m. has been appointed as the time and the county court room in the county court house at Moro, Oregon, in said county, as the place fixed for the hearing of said report and account, the objections thereto, if any, and the settlement of the said estate.

Dated at Moro, Oregon, this 26th day of July, A. D. 1918. Isabella H. Smith, executrix. Bright & Bryant, attorneys for estate. Date of first publication, July 26, 1918. Date of last publication, August 23, 1918.

Notice of Sheriff Sale

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Sherman County

Mary E. Lee, plaintiff vs. W. H. Sykes and Margaret D. Sykes, husband and wife, W. I. Chidester, C. M. Poley and Addie A. Poley, husband and wife, D. A. Hatfield, and Florence E. Herndon, defendants.

By virtue of an execution, judgment order, decree and order of sale, issued out of the above entitled court in the above entitled cause, to me directed and dated the 30th day of July, 1918, upon a judgment and decree rendered and entered in said court on the 27th day of July, 1918, in favor of Mary E. Lee, plaintiff, and against W. H. Sykes, Margaret D. Sykes, W. I. Chidester, C. M. Poley, Addie A. Poley, and D. A. Hatfield, defendants, for \$1,000.00 with interest thereon from September 5th, 1916, at the rate of seven per cent per annum, \$150 as attorneys fees and \$41.60 costs and disbursements and the costs of and upon this writ, commanding me to make sale of the following described real property, to-wit: West half of southwest quarter (nw 1/4 sw 1/4) north east quarter of south west quarter (ne 1/4 sw 1/4) and north west quarter of south east quarter (nw 1/4 se 1/4) of section eleven (11) in township three (3) south, range fifteen (15) east of Willamette meridian, together with the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereto belonging, in Sherman county, Oregon.

Now, therefore, by virtue of said execution, judgment order, decree and order of sale, and in compliance with the commands of said writ, on

Saturday, the 7th day of September, 1918, at 3 o'clock p. m. at the front door of the county court house in Moro, Sherman county, Oregon, I will sell at public auction, subject to redemption, to the highest bidder for cash in hand, all the right, title and interest which the above named defendants or either of them in the above entitled suit, had on the 5th day of September, 1916, the date of the mortgage herein foreclosed, or since that date had in and to the above described property, or now have therein, or any part thereof, to satisfy said execution, judgment order, and decree, costs and accruing costs.

J. C. McKean, sheriff of Sherman county Oregon

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