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### Community Poultry Raising Encouraged

The formation of community poultry-breeding associations is being encouraged by the Bureau of Animal Industry of the United States Department of Agriculture as a part of its effort to assist in improving flocks and making poultry raising more attractive. Prominent among the advantages of community interest in better poultry are concentration of effort on one variety, opportunities for collective marketing, economy in buying and selling breeding stock and increased skill in poultry management. Already 48 poultry breeding associations have been formed.

In Virginia a Barred Plymouth Rock association has developed a co-operative selling plan of a size that requires a manager to handle the business. Organizations of this kind are not only beneficial to the members, but by stimulating a larger output of high-quality poultry products they benefit the public as well.

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### Bonus Pay for Soldiers

Section 1906 of the revenue act approved February 24, 1919, authorizes the payment of a bonus of \$60 to officers, soldiers, field clerks and nurses of the army upon honorable separation from active service by discharge, resignation or otherwise. The bonus is not payable to the heirs or representative of any deceased soldier.

Those who are discharged hereafter will receive this bonus on the same roll or voucher upon which they receive their final pay.

Those who have been discharged and have received their final pay without the \$60 bonus, should write a letter to the Zone Finance Officer, Lemon Building, Washington, D. C., stating their service since April 6, 1917, the date of last discharge and their present address to which they desire their bonus checks to be sent and enclosing with this letter their discharge certificate or military order for discharge and both, if both were issued.

Upon receipt by the Zone Finance Officer of this information and the soldier's discharge certificate, this officer will cause checks to be drawn and mailed to the claimants in the order in which their claims were received by him. The discharge certificate will be returned to the soldier with the check.

It is estimated that at least one million and a quarter persons have been discharged from the service who are entitled to the benefits of this Act and while payments will be made as expeditiously as practicable, it will manifestly take considerable time to write and mail this many checks.

If you wish to sell or exchange any of your real property, farm or city, list it with the Realty Department of the Sherman County Abstract Company, Otto Peets, Manager, Moro, Ore.

### Illiterate Voting Americans

Eight and a half million persons in the United States over 10 years of age can not read a newspaper, billboard, booklet or letter in the American language. Five and a half millions of them can not read anything in any language.

These astounding facts demand the immediate consideration of the nation. The war has demonstrated some of the dangers from large numbers of foreign-born persons who have not been assimilated or Americanized. It has also brought to light thousands upon thousands of native-born Americans who can not read or write.

These illiterates and aliens outnumber all the people in Nevada, Wyoming, Delaware, Arizona, Idaho, Mississippi, Vermont, Oregon, Rhode Island, North Dakota, South Dakota, Maine, Florida, Connecticut and Washington combined. They exceed the total population of the Dominion of Canada. As voters, their ballots will outweigh the influence of greater New York, Philadelphia and Chicago in national affairs.

Such people must be educated at least sufficiently to read the constitution of the United States and American newspapers and to know something of what it means to be an American citizen.

This problem is national. The South leads in illiterates. The North leads in non-English speaking. Seventeen and one-fourth per cent of the people of the east south central States are illiterate, but 15.8% of the people in Passaic, N. J., can not read, speak or write English. Sixteen per cent of the people of the South Atlantic States are illiterate and so are 13.2% of the people of Lawrence and Fall River, Mass.

These civic and economic "second" are beyond all help from printed warnings and advice in the English language. Their ignorance and inaccessibility to essential public information are constant drags upon progress.

Monday, March 17. Dr. Freeze, the well-known Portland eye specialist will make his regular visit to Moro and may be consulted free at Moro Hotel parlors all day. Free demonstration of the new "One Piece" lens, the perfect lens for both near and far vision. Headaches, eyeaches, crossoyes and other eye troubles given careful attention. You are assured of the newest and best in lenses and mountings, and all guaranteed.

### County Court Proceedings.

**MARCH TERM**  
Considerable interest was manifested by the taxpayers at the term of the county court for March by reason of the petition asking county aid in establishing a post road between Rufus and Wasco and also because of the petition asking for a special election to vote bonds for road improvement purposes.

In the matter of a petition for assistance from the county for a post road between Rufus and Wasco, using the Girkin canyon route, the court issued a statement to petitioners pledging aid from the county in the event of the said road being designated as a post road by the state highway commission.

In the matter of the bond for Road Master H. S. Wall; same approved and accepted.

In the matter of bond for County Surveyor H. S. Wall; same approved and accepted.

In the matter of the road petition of A. T. Striker and others; report of viewers; petition, not allowed.

In the matter of the road petition of E. L. Weld and others; report of viewers; petition not allowed.

Sheriff's report accepted and ordered placed on file.

In the matter of petition for special election to vote bonds to improve roads; same to be considered at an adjourned meeting of the county court to be held at 10 a. m. March 14.

The following claims presented to the court were ordered paid in the amounts indicated, as follows:

E D McKee, salary county judge	\$75.00
R J Ginn, fees commissioner	15.00
J M Wilson, fees commissioner	15.40
P H Buxton, salary, sheriff	275.00
P H Buxton, expense, sheriff	50.00
E R Hickson, salary, dep. sheriff	183.50
Wm Edwards, janitor	50.00
Mary L. Hoskinson, salary, clerk	230.00
Mary L. Hoskinson, expenses	8.69
Nellie McKown, salary, deputy clerk	183.50
Otto Peets, assessor salary	250.00
E R Curfman, school supt salary	250.00
G B Bourhill, treasurer salary	66.67
C L Poley, county physician	45.58
Joe Stewart, salary stock inspector	50.00
Opal Rigdon phone rental	12.50
Mrs. H. Douma, widow pension	20.00
J M Astell, court bailiff fees	10.50
J H Wilson, jury fees and mileage	9.40
J R Howell, insurance account tabs and experiment farm buildings	64.00
F D Antrim, fees, district sealer	1.50
C L Poley, acct. board of health	4.25
W E Tate, acct. board of health	4.75
Wasco county, care of poor	84.71
Poss & Co.	3.65
C M Snider, Wasco News-Enterprise, printing for assessor	65.42
J M Parry, postage	183.03
W H Hill, tax refund	9.90
F J Krowso, tax refund	12.30
Moro Hdw. & Impl. Co.	18.85
O A Ramsey, carpenter work	24.75
A L Mason, carpenter work	25.50
City of Moro, water and light	13.62
Underwood Typewriter Co.	5.00
Glass & Prudhomme, account supplies furnished	278.12
Mary L. Hoskinson, telegraph toll paid for assessor and school superintendent	3.95
F E Fagan, 8th grade examination	3.00
W A Terrall, 8th grade examination	8.50
L E Webb, 8th grade examination	2.20
Mae B Lynch, 8th grade examination	2.12
E R Curfman, expense account, school supt.	29.70
E R Curfman, account traveling expenses	60.00
C M Snider, printing for school superintendent	7.00
F C Schumacher, scalp bounty	6.00
A M Thompson	3.00
Ellis Hughes	8.00
A L Russell	3.00
L W Amick	7.00
A L Russell	3.00
E M Hughes	3.00
R A Fleming	4.00
Malcolm Neal	4.00
B F Walls	2.00
Tumalum Lumber Co., lumber for court house	134.90
Margaret Peets, deputy assessor	27.00
W N Jones, drayage	7.25
J B Hosford, legal services	10.00
W N Jones, drayage	4.50
Ginn, Coleman & Co.	56.10
H S Wall, expense account for road master and surveyor	22.50
Sherman County Observer, printing account	18.20
Mrs. Mattie Lawrence, account of poor	5.00

County Agent C. C. Calkins is very sick at a hospital in Portland. Mr. Calkins was taken ill at Union when buying stock for the Short-horn association recently formed in Sherman county. Upon arrival at Portland he submitted to an operation for tonsillitis and shortly after had an attack of inflammatory rheumatism, from which he is not recovering as quickly as expected.

The new Moro deep well has been cased and tested during this week with the result of 50 gallons of water delivered each minute. The new well is within 16 feet of the old well, but neither seems to be affected by the other. The old well depth is 241 feet and the new one is 220 feet. It is planned to have one engine operate the pump for both wells and deliver direct to the cistern.

Members of the Moro Rod and Gun Club are meeting each Sunday at the county fair grounds for blue rock practice shooting. At the present time they are shooting for three classifications, A class includes all who make a score between 25 and 30 rocks; B class, 20 to 25, and C class all under 20. As soon as classifications are settled shooting in each class for prizes offered by President W. F. Hulery will be in order.

State Highway Engineers Nunn, Bennett and Newell were in the county Wednesday to inspect the route of the road from the Columbia river to the south line of Sherman county. The engineers are understood to have expressed the unofficial opinion that the estimate of Road Master Wall is well within the possible cost of construction of the road, based on an 18-foot roadway with eight inches of gravel, well packed.

John M. DeMoss is a frequent visitor to Sherman county the past several weeks. John M. has become so enamored of the potential possibilities of financial success in investments at the mouth of the Columbia river that he has decided to inform his Sherman county friends of these facts and has identified himself with a large realty company for the sale of property in that section of Oregon. For a little more detailed information read the article entitled "Astoria" in this issue.

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Strayed from farm about Feb. 15, two red yearling calves. If you can give any information notify  
Omer G. Saylor.

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12 tons of alfalfa hay and an equal amount of wheat hay for sale reasonable. Write or phone  
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Red sow with black spots, a good big shoat, weight about 100 pounds; now gone about 2 weeks. Reward for information or return to  
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Commercial stocks of wheat reported in a survey made by the Department of Agriculture for January 1, 1919, amounted to 191,775,417 bushels. These holdings were more than twice as large as the stocks held a year earlier, the actual percentage being 215.8 per cent of the 1918 stocks. The figures refer to stocks actually reported, and do not represent the total commercial stocks of the country, nor do they include stocks on farms.

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## ASTORIA

Next Big Seaport and Terminal--A few of the Happenings Since Jan. 1, 1919

The Astoria Marine Iron Works east of the flour mill, which is now turning out 1200 barrels daily.

Work has commenced on the half million dollar flour mill which is being erected alongside of the large mill and a quarter elevator, which is now operating— not "Sinking in Sand." The new mill will have a capacity of 3000 barrels daily.

The Astoria Paper Mills are erecting a \$250,000 addition to their mill now in operation owned by M. H. Hower.

25,000 farmers of Montana, Wisconsin, Dakota and Idaho have united in building a two million bushel elevator, which will be started at once. This is also located on Young's Bay near the above mentioned property.

The Standard Oil Company has started high work on their \$200,000 plant, which will be one of the largest on the Pacific coast. The plant is being erected three blocks east of the flour mill, which is now turning out 1200 barrels daily.

The City of Astoria is spending one and one-half million dollars in street improvements, etc.

The Port of Astoria is building another pier, 2000 feet long and 350 feet wide with one continuous warehouse two stories high.

We now have a warehouse three-eighths of a mile long with automatic sprinkling system, etc.

**JOHN M. DeMOSS**  
For information about this growing section of Oregon address me at  
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The home garden is likely to prove a profitable investment of effort this year as it has for the past several seasons, in the opinion of the United States Department of agriculture. The experience of the past few years has proved that persons who have sufficient land and spare time and who do their home gardening work intelligently and efficiently find it profitable. The relatively high prices of practically all food-stuffs tend to increase the saving effected, but the home garden should be planned with a view to meeting the family needs rather than of producing crops for sale on the market.