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are now in at the Fleck Orchard Moro store. Phone or call and place your order early.

The Fleck Orchard truck makes regular trips to Moro each Tuesday and Friday. Orders placed the previous day will be filled in rotation on the next trip out.

L. W. Baker, manager of the Citizens Commercial Company at Grass Valley, is reported to be suffering from an attack of lockjaw, with chances about even for recovery.

Manager Fries has accepted the resignation of Mrs. M. E. Smith as agent for the telephone company at Moro and has appointed Mrs. Della Kessinger as temporary agent.

Blackberries will soon be gone; at some local orchards they are entirely sold now. Fleck Orchard can supply orders for blackberries at least one week more. Order early.

The first shipment of 1919 wheat from Sherman county was made week before last by the Independent Warehouse & Milling Co. from Wasco, a total of four cars being in the shipment.

F. E. Fagan and family have returned from an auto tour of several weeks in the Willamette valley, part of the time being spent at the University of Oregon summer school at Eugene.

The road west from The Dalles past the old fair grounds is being graded and filled with crushed rock preparatory to paving. The going is some rough but not much worse than it has been.

W. J. Martin has received word that their son, W. J. jr., who has been a member of the A. E. F. and also with the army of occupation, has arrived at Camp Merritt, N. J., and will soon be at home again.

Messrs. John McDermid, uncle and nephew, were business visitors at Moro the first of the week. John McDermid, sr., was closing up a deal whereby he became owner of the Forbis farm east of Klondike.

A card from Postmaster J. M. Parry at Seaside dated the 27th states that he had met Dr. and Mrs. J. R. Morgan on the beach that day, that both were looking find and the doctor had gained in weight and was tanned like an Indian.

E. W. Lewis and J. J. Woods have formed a partnership and have bought the J. J. Wiley building next to the Hotel Vintin in Grass Valley and will soon open a confectionery and pool room business with a barber shop in connection.

R. W. Pinkerton discarded his Bluet combine last week shortly after starting to harvest the W. C. Harper wheat on Gordon Ridge and is now operating a Holt combine ordered when the Bluet went into the discard, receiving it Monday via train.

Owen Thompson was in Saturday from over Monkland way. He states that his crop is averaging nicely in yield. From the first 16 acres he threshed he harvested 235 sacks, an average of 14 3/4 sacks weighing 144 pounds of No. 1 Turkey red wheat.

Altho road signs are yet in place closing "under the bluff" road into The Dalles, autos are traveling over the two miles of pavement into that city from the east. You might need to dodge a few small piles of rock, but the going is better than over the hill.

Second street, in the business district of The Dalles has been blocked off in squares, each just the right size within which to park an automobile. When in The Dalles, if the squares are filled, leave your car on a side street or take chances with the police court.

Mrs. J. E. Coleman, Miss Eunice Coleman and J. F. Holmes and wife returned Tuesday evening from a 900 mile trip by auto. The party visited the ocean beach at Newport, the west side of Mt. Hood at Rhododendron and other places of interest while away.

Probably within the next week the Columbia highway between Hood River and Cascade Locks will be closed for paving. Parties may then miss all the hill roads between The Dalles and the Cascades by crossing the river at Rowena and back to the Oregon side at Stevenson. The road on the Washington side is good, but don't

drive fast because of the many sharp turns.

Mrs. W. E. Newton is staying at the beach at Newport, Oregon, in the hope that the change of climate may benefit her failing health. She is accompanied by her mother, Mrs. R. W. Pinkerton, and will probably remain there until cold weather.

The oil company got in two cars of fuel oil at Wasco this week but while the distillate shortage was on the tractors used all the available gasoline in the county, with the result that an acute shortage of gasoline occurred until relieved by a shipment received this Monday.

World-wide prohibition of the liquor traffic as the next step in temperance reform will be advocated by several speakers who will conduct a campaign in Oregon between October 13 and November 9, both inclusive, under the direction of the Anti-Saloon League of Oregon.

Frank L. Hulery has leased the Altermatt store building at Rufus for a term of five years and will soon open an ice cream and confectionery business in that city. F. L. says that he can't get anyone to go on an extensive fishing excursion with him so must turn his attention to business.

Postmaster J. M. Parry has resigned as postmaster at Moro and notice has been received that a civil service examination of applicants for appointment will be held September 24. There are four local men now in the race for the office. Mr. Parry's term as Postmaster does not terminate until December, but because of the failing health of Mrs. Parry he offered his resignation last month.

Purely as a matter of civic pride the trees on first and Main streets destroyed by the fire that burned the Hotel Moro should be replaced as soon as possible. During their life they were a comfort to hundreds of people, residents as well as transients, and a barrier to the sweep of the fire king, worth all they cost in attention and care. The trees in front of the Webb building were planted by Postmaster J. M. Parry in 1901 when he was in charge of the postoffice, then located in that building.



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## Notice to Subscribers

Under authority of the Postmaster General, on account of recent increases in wages to employees totaling for the State of Oregon upwards of \$225,000.00, certain changes in exchange rates have been approved and made effective July 29, 1919, for the State of Oregon.

The changes in rates apply particularly to residence service, changes having been made in the principal business rates May 1, 1919.

All new business taken on and after July 29th will be at new rates and bills to present subscribers for the month of August will be rendered at the new rates.

The increased rates will yield an annual revenue upwards of \$250,000.00, but as the increase in wages is upwards of \$225,000.00, the net return to the Company under the rates now made effective is approximately 2 1-2 per cent on the valuation of its property at \$13,464,000.00, as found by the Public Service Commission.

The new schedule of rates is identical with the one approved by the Postmaster General for the State of Washington, which has been in effect since March 1, 1919, and the rates are the same for exchanges that are comparable.

We believe that no proof as to the advanced cost of living and the general high costs prevailing for labor and materials is necessary and that the telephone-using public will accept this increase in rates in the same spirit of fairness and consideration as it has the advances in almost every necessity in these unusual times.

**The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Com'py**

## The Observer

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FRIDAY, August 1, 1919

Eureka Lodge No. 121.  
A. P. & 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. Mrs. VIVIAN ORNDORF, Worthy Matron. ROY KUNSMAN, 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. W. H. RAGSDALE, Secretary.

For wheat ranches write M. Fitzmaurice, Condon, Ore.

Jack Gibson was in town Monday from his John Day river farm.

Mrs. G. Johnson has sold her Studebaker touring car to G. B. Bourhill.

Ford touring car for sale. Engine in good shape. See George DeMoss at DeMoss.

Attention is called to the professional card of Dr. C. E. Gard, dentist, in this issue.

R. A. Havner has moved to Wasco from Grass Valley, making the change this last week.

Harry Pinkerton is driving a new Reo received Monday from G. N. Crosfield at Wasco.

Dorothy and Gwendoline Foss are visiting with their aunt, Mrs. Mattie Mitchell, at Terrebonne.

Mrs. W. B. Johnston left on Wednesday for a brief visit at Portland, Seaside and Vancouver, Wash.

Peets' Bros. pure soaps for harvest. Just received a shipment direct from the factory. 10c per bar. Moro Pharmacy.

E. E. Kaseberg and A. T. Striker have each received their new Winther truck recently ordered from G. N. Crosfield.

F. M. Henkle, brother to T. J. Henkle and Mrs. A. C. Thompson, is visiting in the county from Priest Rapids, Idaho.

L. Barnum and wife, accompanied by Miss Mary Kunsman, were visitors from The Dalles last week at the Roy Kunsman home.

T. E. Hulery and family arrived home Wednesday from an auto trip to Newport, coming by way of McKinzie pass and Camp Sherman.

The Independent Warehouse & Milling Co. warehouse at Hay Canyon opened for business last week with John M. DeMoss in charge.

Mrs. C. R. Morrison, who has been visiting with her parents, L. V. Moore and wife, returned on Wednesday to her home at Arlington.

A. C. Thompson and wife and son Jess, from Portland, are enjoying a fishing excursion near Camp Sherman. They expect to be home next week.

Now is the time to order canning peaches. Freestone peaches