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Road Master H. S. Wall has a crew of men busy grading the hill south of Wasco on the Moro road. Part of the hill is being taken away and part is being made a fill. When completed the road will be a continuous grade to the top. Right now an auto can do fairly well going down the hill, but the climb back is another story.

Sherman County Roosevelt Memorial

A Sherman county organization was perfected at Moro on Monday afternoon for the purpose of definitely placing this county in the state and national movement for the raising of funds to assist in the erection of a monument to the memory of Theodore Roosevelt, testifying to his Americanism, and the securing of his home and birth place as future assets to this nation.

The organization was completed by County Chairman W. C. Bryant stating that the quota for Sherman county had been placed at \$170, based upon the same statistics as were the Liberty Loans; the election of C. L. Ireland as secretary, the appointment of the following district chairmen, and naming the quota for each district:

Wasco, E. D. McKee, \$35.
Moro, A. M. Wright, \$35.
Grass Valley, Milt. O'Brien, \$35.
Kent, J. M. Wilson, \$20.
Rufus, F. L. Hulery, \$15.
Monkland, J. H. Elliot, \$15.

In addition, all school children will be given the opportunity to contribute not to exceed five cents each, the purpose being to broaden the contribution into as many homes as possible. Each contributor will be given an engraved certificate, regardless of the

amount subscribed, and their names will be enclosed in the corner stone of the monument when built.

County Chairman Bryant, with the help of County School Superintendent Grace L. May, has offered two prizes of \$5 and \$2.50 each in each of three divisions for the best essays on any phase of the life of Roosevelt. These essays will be judged and awards made by the executive committee of the Sherman county schools, composed of the principals of the four larger schools. The divisions are divided as follows:

Division I, all high school pupils.
Division II, pupils of the 7th and 8th grades.
Division III, pupils of the 5th and 6th grades.

The time limit for these essays to be submitted has been extended from the date originally set to November 1st. The prizes offered by County Chairman Bryant are separate from any contributions. One set for one division has been taken care of by Moro, another by Wasco, and the third by Grass Valley.

There are large numbers of Americans who each year go to Europe to visit the birth place of Shakespeare and other notables, but in America very few such places are preserved. We, as a nation, take pride in destroying all such monuments to make way for the newer modern things and in doing so we are gradually undermining our national life because we are destroying our visional history.

A Visit to Their Old Home

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Belshee returned home on the 18th from a trip of several weeks spent largely among friends, schoolmates, and relatives in Warsaw, Indiana. They both say they had a grand time and one that will long be remembered. Mrs. Belshee remembers pleasantly her visit to her old home on the farm where a few of the trees are yet standing that she played under 45 years ago. They visited the same M.E. church that they attended when children and met a number of elderly people that were neighbors in their childhood days.

Mr. Belshee visited a modern shoe factory in Warsaw that formerly had been built for a woolen mill and for which, as a boy, he had hauled brick used in its construction. Another item of interest on their trip was a visit to the Keokuk dam, the largest in the world, six miles above Warsaw. A family gathering was held in their honor at the home of Mrs. J. W. Gilliber's, sister to Mrs. Belshee, where were present thirty children, grand children, and great grand children of the hostess. A delicious dinner and supper was served and the guests of honor were presented with a set of silver ware, tea spoons, berry spoon, meat fork, tea set, and many other presents.

Cooperative Safety First

During the period from October 18th to 31st, 1919, the safety section of the U.S.R.R. administration will conduct a national railroad accident prevention drive simultaneously on all the railroads under federal control. A campaign is being waged among all railroad employees to prevent accidents to themselves as well as to passengers and the public generally.

The railroad employees are appealing to the public to cooperate in this big movement for safety so that the railroads in the northwestern region will come through with a clear score during this drive. Public cooperation will greatly help to minimize and perhaps entirely eliminate the railroad crossing accidents, and reduce accident to passengers and others at stations and on the right of way.

The O. W. R. & N. lines and the S. P. lines north of Ashland, which are under one federal manager, show crossing accidents for eight months ending August 31st to be as follows: Automobiles colliding with trains 95; with street cars 22; other vehicles colliding with trains or cars 87, total 125. Persons killed in the above accidents numbered 8; seriously injured, 69; automobiles demolished and damaged, 117; other vehicles damaged, 8.

At no time should an automobile driver make a railroad crossing unless he is positive that he can go over with absolute safety. He should know that the steering gear, brakes, and gas feed are in good working order so there will be no danger of running into the side of a train or stalling on the track.

A driver should know that a train going at a speed of forty miles an hour covers 3520 feet in one minute, or nearly sixty feet per second, and he should give himself ample time. He should always bear in mind the fact that the train has the right of way and cannot stop if an auto suddenly appears on the track. A mistake on the crossing may mean death or maiming to the driver and occupants of the car. By all means look out for the railroad crossing signs and know when a railroad crossing is being approached. Above all, an automobile driver should not at any time allow his mind to wander away from his "job" of running the car safely over the track.

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Choir practice Monday at 8 p. m.
Bible study Wednesday at 8 p. m.

Monkland
Sunday School 2 p. m.
Preaching at 3 p. m.

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The reading room at the rear entrance to the church building is open every Friday from 2 until 4 p. m., where the Bible and all authorized Christian Science literature may be read, bought or borrowed.

The public is cordially invited to attend the church services and visit the reading room.

The Story of my Work

I took the Cooking Club project in order to gain more knowledge of the right ways and methods of cooking. Before school was out I had completed five lessons. I, of course, had my failures along with my successes, but succeeded in not making the same mistakes twice.

When vacation came the days grew warmer and it seemed hard to spend long, hot days in the kitchen. But I was determined not to be a quitter and to see the thing through.

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Ruth Bryant, Moro School

L. W. Amick brought into Moro the first of the week some extra fine beef which he had raised and killed on his farm near Kent. He sold it in small lots around town and did so well he will repeat his visit. This is one way for the farmer to get more for what he produces and the town man to cut the high cost of living.

Verne Walker is home again in Sherman county after an active career of several months with the American army in Siberia. Verne returned Saturday, having received his discharge at the Presidio, near San Francisco, the previous Thursday. He says 50 to 80 degrees below zero is common in the places where he was stationed and that Sherman county people do not know what they really mean when they talk about hard winds.

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