

A Few Suggestions

To help you make this a Joyful Christmas Season

What is a better Christmas Gift for Mother Than a Dress Pattern of Good Material	We Have Toys for the Little Folks and many Nice Suitable Gifts for every one
Ribbons Suitable for Hand Bags Camisoles, etc	Silk, Fiber Silk and Lisle HOSE
A Fine Snappy Line of Pyrex Ware, Tea Pots, Vases, Etc.,	Silk Petticoats and Georgette Waists
Mens' Silk Lined Kid Dress Gloves	Mens' Ties and Neckwear In the Popular Shades

Moro Trading Co.
Moro, Oregon

Farmers' State Bank

Moro, Oregon

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MORO BARBER SHOP

Porcelain Bath Tub.

Everything First Class and up to date.

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Room with privilege of bath, single, 75c up; double \$1.00 up.
Room with private bath, single \$1.50 up; double \$2.00 up.
Auto Meets Trains. Street cars from Union Depot pass our doors.
Transfer at 5th and Glines streets from North Bank Depot.

NEW SERVICE FOR YOU

If you want to know about any property you see advertised in the Portland papers by the PACIFIC AGENCY see ALEX HUNTER of your own home town.

We have subscribed for the Pacific Agency Service and have full particulars of all properties handled by them, regardless of where it may be located.

If you want to sell or trade, list your property with us and we will place your listing in all the offices having the Pacific Agency Service, which means that your property will receive the combined publicity and selling forces of the principal communities of the Northwest. We are the exclusive representatives of this service in Moro, Oregon.

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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. 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.



DOES A KID FEEL LIKE THIS IN HIS FIRST PAIR OF LONG PANTS?

Tuesday, J. L. Brackett was seen putting an article much resembling an auto tire in his sleigh to carry home, but when asked about it said it was a rudder with which to keep his snow wagon on an even keel while navigating the drifts.

Red Cross Christmas seals are on sale at Moro Pharmacy and the Moro Trading Company. Volunteer workers will also help sell them later. Buy Christmas Red Cross seals with which to help fasten your packages and thus help in the effort to combat disease.

A mile and a quarter of the new highway grade near Rufus is ready for gravel. This should go on at once or the delay will be expensive. All the road in Sherman county should be gravelled as finished to make the new route what it is supposed to be to the traveling public next summer.

Here is a good country home property close to one of the best school towns in the state, for sale reasonable: 164 acres three miles from Dufur; nice home and good improvements; good family orchard; fall grain; creek bottom land; 100 acres in cultivation. Write W. C. Hanna, Dufur, Oregon.

ANY THING that any body wants can be found at the Crossfield store.

Chester Hutchcroft is visiting with the old folks at home in Yamhill county.

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

Mens' and Ladies' bath robes, all sizes and good colors, at Moro Trading Co.

School holidays for Moro begin this Saturday and continue until after New Year.

The Farmers State Bank is now at home in their new quarters in the Webb building.

A. L. Barzee had his sleigh upset three times Monday afternoon, coming to town from his Gordon ridge farm.

The finest, biggest, most expressive line of Holiday Goods ever shown in Sherman county is at the Crossfield store, Wasco.

Residence property in Moro for sale. Good sized house, electric lights, etc. Realty Dept. Sherman County Abstract Co.

Moro city is fortunate that a car load of engine fuel was received just as this snow and subsequent cold weather hit Sherman county.

Ownbr requested to call for four yearlings and two 2-year old colts now at my farm east of Moro. Phone for description. Fred Hutchcroft, Moro.

If you want to shop among Holiday Goods—the real genuine Holiday Goods—the kind that will do you good to see; visit my store, G N Crossfield, Wasco.

Lost or strayed during the storm—from my pasture in Grass Valley canyon; six months old red heifer calf; no brands; please—phone; reward. Truman Strong, Moro.

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

The storm caused stoppage of work on the John Day river bridge east of Rufus. With a little more than a month of good weather this feature of the Columbia highway will be finished.

If you have a news item, tell it to the Observer. Do not imagine we know it and then wonder why it is not in the paper. Please use the phone if not convenient to call and tell us personally.

O. H. Hadden and wife are visiting in Moro from their fruit orchard farm at Zillah, Wash., in the Yakima section. Mr. Hadden formerly lived in Moro when he engaged in the carpenter and contracting business.

L. L. Peetz returned Tuesday from Portland where he was a business visitor during the snappiest part of the cold weather. He has quite a decided opinion as to how cold it was in the metropolis during his stay.

Some good city property here in Moro. Some good buys in Goldendale. Also some in Portland and the Willamette valley. Have some good farms in Sherman county. For sale by Alex Hunter, real estate dealer. Call in and see me in Moro Bank building, up stairs.

The first number of the lyceum course being given in Moro under the auspices of Moro High School was that of Wednesday evening at the Methodist church. Because of weather conditions not all holding tickets could attend, but those who did enjoyed the evening. The next number will be given on December 30th.

Farm for sale about three miles from Boyd and one mile from Rice elevator; 640 acre wheat farm; 600 acres in cultivation; 275 acres in fall wheat; lots of water and good improvements. This is known as one of the very best wheat farms in Wasco county. Write W. C. Hanna, Dufur, Oregon, for particulars and terms.

When I say that I have EVERY THING that heart could desire from which to choose Holiday Gifts, those that know me also know that they will not be disappointed in their Holiday shopping. I can satisfy any one who want expensive gifts as well as the very best "Made in America" toys for the children. Crossfield, at Wasco.

Highway construction camps are now located at different places in Sherman county, along the route of the Columbia highway, from opposite Maryhill to the John Day river. The storm has temporarily stopped work, but the steam shovel will soon be in operation on the hill above Rufus and when in place will make up for the lost time.

It is proposed by the city council to hold a special city election about January 14th for the purpose of voting on water bonds with which to provide funds to build a newer larger reservoir and at the same time vote on some proposed charter amendments by which the city as a whole will be authorized to pay for part of the proposed paving that will be done next summer.

Farm and Timber Ranch for sale 5 miles west of Dufur on county road; 497 acres, 75 acres wheat land, 24 acres under irrigation, 17 acres in growing alfalfa; 1,000 cord of wood on ranch; 6 room modern bungalow; good barn and out buildings; two creeks running through the place; fine location for stock. Write W. C. Hanna, Dufur, Oregon.

The Wonders of America

By T. T. MAXEY

HELL GATE BRIDGE.

THE completion of the New York Connecting railroad gave us our first all-rail through route from New England, via New York, to the rest of America and a continuous rail line up and down the Atlantic coast from Key West to Halifax. It also calls to mind the fact that the insurmountable obstacle which had heretofore blocked the way had been overcome and the supposedly impossible accomplished.

Before this route could be opened, it was necessary to get trains across that terror to navigators, the rocky-bottomed tidal channel, known as "Hell Gate," between Long Island shore and Ward's Island in the East river, opposite Manhattan Island on which New York city proper stands.

It was not possible to sink piers into the channel, and the stretch was considered too great to be covered by one arched span. An engineer with vision came to the rescue and trains now cross on a wonderful four-tracked steel bridge. A peerless, steel arch, 1,017 feet long, said to be the longest as well as the heaviest ever hung across any waterway of equal width, now bridges the gap. The entire weight is carried by gigantic 250-foot high towers on either shore. The bridge is 93 feet wide, designed to carry 76,000 pounds per linear foot. The extreme height of the arch is more than 300 feet above the water.

About 19,000 tons of steel were used. The towers are bedded in solid rock, and it is estimated that they contain 3,000,000 cubic feet of masonry. The bridge cost \$12,000,000.

Moro School Report to December 15th

Ronald Payne and Lanora Ramsey reporters.

A large number of absences occurred in school last week, due to the cold weather.

Last Friday the Seniors and Freshmen played the Juniors and Sophomores a game of basket ball, with a score of 30 to 23 in favor of the Seniors and Freshmen.

A hard time party and dance was given in the opera house Friday evening, December 12th, by the High School boys. A large number were present and a very pleasant evening was spent.

The tables in the domestic science room are now being varnished by some of the manual training boys. The girls were unable to work on them last Thursday afternoon on account of the fresh paint.

For the benefit of those remaining at the school building during the noon hour warm lunches consisting of hot soups or drinks are being served each day in the domestic science room. Miss Rice, the domestic science instructor, is in charge of this work.

Another gleaming light entered the High School, the room will in time be well lighted. This time it happens to be one of our fair Sophomores who aspires to be no less than our worthy student body president. Monday afternoon the world first knew that the dweller in the land of "Harmony" now had made her "Mark." But, alas, it was borrowed!

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

Reward offered for return of eye glasses lost in the snow near the depot. H. Lloyd.

I have a Christmas line of Holiday Gifts that are entirely new; just unpacked; and a dandy choice line it is. Crossfield, Wasco.

A number of the young people who have been attending O.A.C. are home for the holidays, the majority expecting to return shortly after New Year.

A Christmas tree and program will be held at DeMoss school the evening of December 23d. Every one is invited to attend and a good time will prevail.

A. A. Foss and wife, who have been visiting with his brother J. F. Foss and family, left last week for Portland, intending to continue their trip into California.

Roy P. Hulse has leased a farm near Dufur, known as Chicken Spring ranch; and will move about March 1st. His brother Ray will continue to farm his holdings in the Lone Rock district.

About forty attended the Dorcas social Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. H. O. Kunsmann, the residence being very prettily decorated with poinsettia and mistletoe in honor of the occasion.

Here is a fine Home Ranch for some one; 490 acre farm, 175 acres wheat land, 80 acres under irrigation; 3d oldest water right on creek; 4 acres in orchard; two good sets of buildings; 4 miles from Dufur. Write W. C. Hanna, Dufur, Oregon.

The Columbia river at Rufus was frozen over last week and people were using the ice bridge in place of the usual ferry. The weather man portioned out a sample of winter that reached 22 degrees below for that section of the county last week.

Henry Blackwood has opened the Provo-st blacksmith shop and invites your patronage. Many in this section and further south are acquainted with Mr. Blackwood through his efficient work while with the Morrow brothers at Wasco for the last several years.



Our Motto

is.....

"All we can give for the money; —not all we can get for the goods"

Don't be taken in with the idea that the character of our goods means corresponding height in cost. We shall be glad to dispel that idea if you will call and see us. We want you to know a dollar here buys more than elsewhere.

We have a few stoves left—bought at the old price—and we will give our customers the benefit

Furniture, Rugs, Lineoleums, Paints, Glass and Oils

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MORO, OREGON



Banked First Sixty Dollars

The first money Grover Cleveland ever earned was from his uncle, Lewis F. Allen. He got sixty dollars for six weeks' work helping to compile a book. He banked the money in Buffalo, N. Y.

Did you bank the first money you earned? Are you banking your money now?

See us today about opening an account.

Banking of all kinds.

BANK OF MORO

Christmas

December 25th

MATINEE AND EVENING

Moro Theater presents

Owen Johnson's Powerful Novel

"Virtuous Wives"

First published in Cosmopolitan magazine and now done in a magnificent photo play by

Anita Stewart

Provides a wonderful evening's entertainment plus food for thought

THE CAST INCLUDES FIVE POPULAR STARS

Admission 15c and 35c