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"My Country 'Tis of Thee, Sweet of Liberty."

Official Paper for Sherman County.

A Living Souvenir of Winter

John T. Johnson has on his farm east of Wasco one reminder of the severe cold weather of last month in a calf born during the coldest part of the month. When found it was nearly froze, but soon revived in the warmth of the kitchen and is now as lively as a kitten, but minus both ears an inch from its head. John T. also said that he had had a number of pullets roosting in boxes on the ground, but did not disturb them as he considered them better protected than in the chicken house, all were frozen and with them one old biddy that insisted in roosting in a tree top despite their efforts to house it. One morning biddy was head first in a deep snow bank with only the ends of her feet in sight.

Electric Power for Sherman County

Messrs. Noel B. Martin and H. S. Wall, of Wasco, accompanied by John T. Johnson of the Biglow district, were in Moro Saturday in the interest of the Sherman Electric Company, a corporation formed under the laws of Oregon for the purpose of supplying electric light and power to Sherman county from the John Day river at Early.

Mr. Martin, while on a recent trip east, consulted with manufacturers of electrical machinery regarding the conditions under which power must be taken from the John Day river and as a result machinery of special design to meet the conditions will be manufactured for the company.

A practical, efficient and thorough survey has been made of conditions under which a power company must operate on the John Day river by Newell, Gossett & Walsh, the same firm that built the power plant on the White Salmon river for the Northwestern Electric Co., said by competent engineers to be the largest power dam on the Pacific coast.

The question of silt carried by the river at flood stage and the minimum river flow during the dry season were both thoroughly considered and under the direction of the engineers will cease to be a factor in power development. The first will be taken care of by means of a forebay where the waters, in a sense, will be filtered before being used and the second will be controlled by means of flashboards, these boards will allow an extra storage capacity sufficient to supply maximum power, up to 500 h.p., for the unit to be first installed—and which can be added to later when business offered justifies the additional expense—during that part of each day when needed and as the load lightens an excess of water will occur for power generation the following day.

The present parties interested in the Sherman Electric Company are going at the proposition from a different direction. They are offering an electric service to the three communities of Sherman county, to be constructed by Sherman county people with their own finances, and are warranting that their investment will return them seven per cent interest on the money subscribed. It is being proposed simply as a business proposition returning good interest on the amount invested, and while the pride and self satisfaction of being able to "put it over" is not being appealed to, it should be none the less one more powerful reason in assisting in the success of the undertaking.

County Agent Notes

Moro Farm Bureau Meets Thursday

In spite of bad roads a good Farm Bureau meeting was held at the court house Thursday afternoon. Among the many lines of endeavor which could be profitably handled cooperatively seven were chosen as projects for the coming year and committeemen were elected in charge of each, as follows:

Livestock Improvement—A H Barnum, in charge; aim to supplant every scrub sire with purebred in all classes of livestock.

Grain Improvement—C G Silvers; 100 per cent grain of community eligible for state certification.

Weed control—Roy Powell, Omar Sayrs, Clarence Sparling; work out a satisfactory Morning Glory control; cooperative control of weeds having a tumbling nature; county wide campaign to handle weeds at right time.

Poultry—W E Newton; culling demonstrations; local school by poultry feeding specialist.

Farm Bureau News—Harry Pinkerton; larger exchange list.

Labor—Star Ruggles, E R Barzee, Herman Christiansen; stabilize wages of the transient labor.

County Fair—Martin Melzer, Chris Andersen, J L Brackett; agricultural exhibit from every farm.

This is the first of a series of community Farm Bureau meetings which will be held in the nine communities of the county. Committeemen on similar projects from each community form a county committee in charge of that line of work, outline plans of handling same, etc.

A county wide Farm Bureau meeting will be held following the last community meeting. Most of the farmers have already joined. The books will be closed at the time of the annual meeting and no memberships solicited after that date.

Moro School Report to January 12th

Ronald Payne and Lanora Ramsey reporters.

The membership of the Senior class of the Moro High School has now been increased to twelve, as Carlton Ross has again entered school after service in the U. S. navy. Carlton is taking a commercial course.

The dates for some of the High School's basketball games are as follows: Boys: Condon, January 16th, at Condon; Fossil, January 17th, at Fossil; girls: Wasco, January 24th, at Wasco; Ione, February 21st, at Ione.

Following is the schedule for the Lyceum Course:

Dr. Divine, January 23d; lecture, "The New Birth of Democracy." Courtney Little Theater Players, February 6th; comedy, "The Barrington's at Home;" serious, "The Traveling Man," Shakespearean scenes.

Dr. Harper, February 20th; lecture, "No Achievement Without Investment."

The Royal Trio, March 19th; solos, duets, piano, and violin selections. Mary Adeline Nelson, April 10th; interpreter of drama, impersonator, monologist.

The first number of the High School paper will soon appear under the auspices of the Seniors. Following is the staff who will be in charge of the edition: Editor in chief, Chester Searcy; associate editor, Lanora Ramsey; poetry, Thelma Buxton; jokes, Evelyn Ragsdale; locals, Raymond Hendricks; automobile, Mark Henkle; society, Rena Morgan; athletics, Geo. Ellsworth; alumni, Bessie Andersen; woman's section, Frances Andersen; want ads, Clarence Bourhill.

Don't forget the Lyceum Course. Next number is on January 23d.

J. M. Parry suffered a paralytic stroke and nervous collapse Saturday, caused by a reaction from the strain of conducting the post office for so many years. His two sons, Harry and Walter, came up from Portland the first of the week to be with him and as soon as the business of turning the local postal affairs over to his successor had been concluded, left Wednesday for Portland where Mr. Parry will be able to receive special medical attention.

Announcement has been received at the Observer home of the marriage of Miss Audra Elizabeth Watkins to Mr. Russell Herbert Lawson at the home of her aunt, Mrs. Laura Moore, in Seattle, on December 22th. Miss Watkins is a former Moro girl who has been living with her two aunts, Mrs. W. H. Moore and Mrs. H. A. Moore, in Portland, the last few years. A large circle of Sherman county friends wish her much future happiness.

J. C. Wright has sold the Moro barber shop to C. H. Johns, Mr. Wright remaining in the shop and assisting Mr. Johns for a few weeks. Mr. Johns is comparatively a new comer to Moro, but is one who has always taken an interest in civic affairs. We are sorry to lose "Jack" from the local business circle, but we understand that his future plans contain a probable residence in Sherman county.

We have listed for sale a two year lease on 640 acres of land, together with an outfit and over two hundred acres of summer fallow wheat included. If interested write, phone or call on the Sherman County Abstract Co., Moro, Oregon, immediately.

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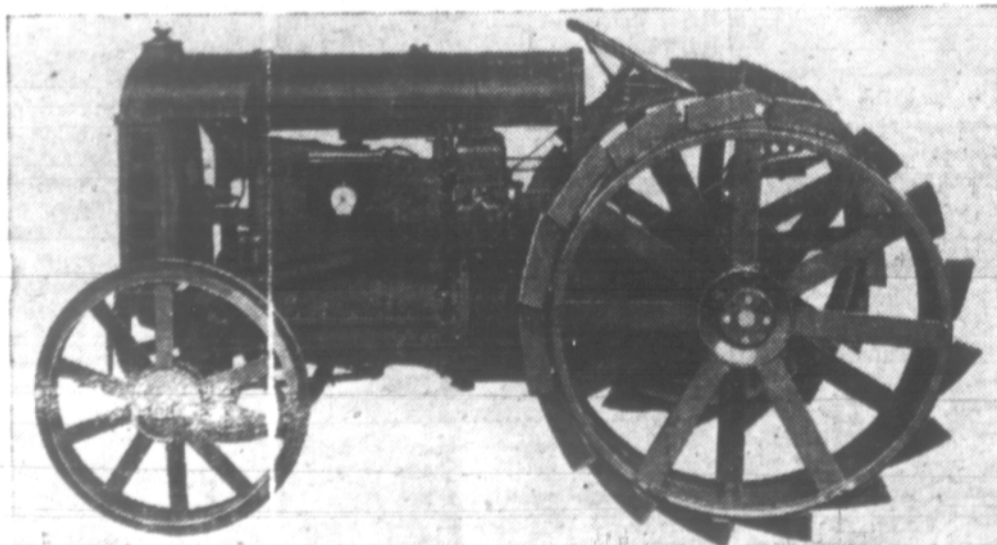
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