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Sherman County Harvest Fields  
will be the  
Holt High Deck Combined Harvester  
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Geo. N. Crosfield, Wasco, Ore.



THOMAS MEIGHAN and BETTY COMPSON in  
George Loane Tucker's 'The Miracle Man'  
A Paramount Aircraft Picture

**MORO THEATER**

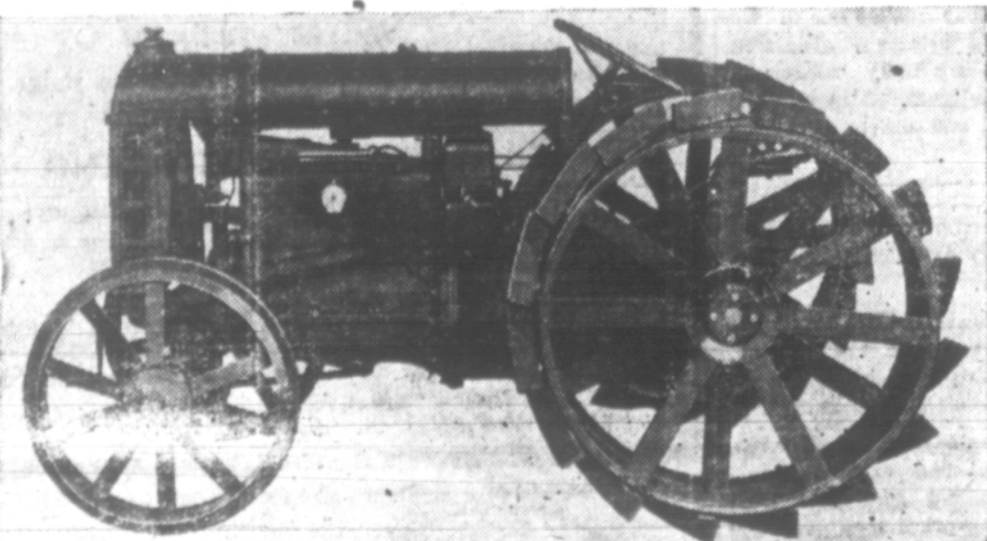
**SPECIAL**

Saturday March 27th

**"The Miracle Man"**

Admission 25c and 50c

READ THE OBSERVER ALL the time.  
For County news



**Another Carload of Fordson Tractors**

A tractor that has revolutionized farming. It has made power farming a reality on more than 100,000 farms. An efficient motive power that combines efficiency with reliability at low first cost. There are only seven Fordsons in this car and orders for part of these are on file. We will be pleased to demonstrate the efficiency of the Fordson on your farm.

DesChutes Motor Company, Moro, Oregon

R. S. Goff, Manager

Ford Cars

Fordson Tractors

**The Observer.**

MORO, OREGON.

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C. L. IRELAND..... Manager.



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

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**Electrical Surveys Being Made**

Friday evening March 13th, the board of directors of Sherman Electric Co. met with members of the engineering firm of Newell, Gossett & Walsh and closed a contract for the work of investigation, surveys, design and general supervision of the construction of the proposed transmission line of the company. A member of the above firm began work in Wasco the next morning to determine the amount of current which will be necessary to take care of the present demands and future expansion. As soon as the work is completed in Wasco it will be taken up in Moro and Grass Valley.

The first thing to determine is the amount of energy needed. When this is determined a contract will be entered into with the Pacific Light & Power Co. relative to the purchase of power.

Surveys will follow and the location of the transformers and route of the line determined. Following this technical engineering problems will be worked out and the voltages of the different lines decided upon.

Some delay is apprehended because of the fact that the transformers will have to be specially constructed, and this will take time, probably from four to six months. But the work will be crowded with all speed and it is now planned to have the line constructed by the time the transformers arrive.

For the next eight weeks or so there will be little material evidence of the work that is being done, for the designing and engineering work to determine the proper solution of the problems peculiar to the project, will be in process of solution. But the board of directors has lost no time in getting into action and will do everything in their power to hasten the arrival of power.

**Economical Farm Utility Appliance**

The Deleo farm lighting electric system sold by Hulery Bros. of this city is one of the most practical and economical appliances that can be installed on a farm anywhere. Since this firm has taken over the agency of the Deleo lighting system for this territory they have installed 162 plants, all in Sherman county except 30 installed in Gilliam county.

The best recommendation of their value is in fact that all are working and giving satisfaction to their owners.

Hulery Bros. have finished installing two Deleo plants near Rufus, one each at the J. S. Fowler farm and one at the G. E. Wilkerson farm, and are now installing one at the Howard Spencer farm near Miller station.

Deleo plants, besides furnishing a 24-hour electric light system to their owners, will supply power for a number of correlated appliances that go far to modernize a farm home.

Roy Powell, near Moro, has a Deleo system in operation that, aside from furnishing all light needed, pumps the water, runs the washing machine, heats the iron on the day after the

washing, as well as having surplus power for other purposes. Mrs. G. Johnson, living near Moro, and A. B. Potter and George Friedley, both living near Klondike, do the same.

Another Deleo plant doing many things besides the supply of lights is that of F. L. Hulery at Rufus. This plant is a No. 216 Deleo and supplies light for a residence, store, etc., and pumps water from a 65 foot deep well and stores it under a fifty pound pressure that is equal to a 100 foot gravity water supply system.

**Call to Organize Moro Band**

The date on the following announcement was printed wrong last week and therefore the notice appears again this week with day and hour correct:

By special request we are announcing that a meeting will be held at Moro opera house Sunday afternoon, March 21, at 3 p. m. for the purpose of perfecting the organization of a local band. The committee want both old players in bands and also new beginners. All interested are invited to attend and to come prepared to join in the discussion and submit ideas. It is thought a competent leader can be secured who will be able to teach both reed and brass instruments. Special prices have been secured on both new and used instruments. A good band, properly conducted, livens up a town very considerably. Moro needs such an organization. Let everybody attend who can help the project along.

**Cooperative Wheat Marketing**

The wheat growers' associations of the northwest through A. A. Elmore have issued an open challenge to Professor G. R. Hyslop of the Oregon Agricultural college to debate publicly on the merits of Hyslop's statements which are disparaging to the wheat growers' association. The accuracy of Hyslop's statements were attacked and challenge made to a public debate at either Portland or Corvallis.

Joseph Passonneau, director of the state office of farm markets of the Washington state college, Pullman, speaking of the contract farmers are asked to sign, says, "Like most of the contracts being used by successful cooperative societies, it is binding upon the grower, over a considerable number of years. This is considered by most authorities on cooperation to be necessary to insure success. In Denmark, the country which leads the world in successful cooperation among farmers' association, contracts generally cover a period of about fourteen years."

The promoters of the wheat growers associations' claim to have three and a quarter million bushels of wheat signed for a six year pool and that more are signing. Several in Sherman county are interested in the venture, but we do not know of any farmer signing into the pool.

**Casting Bread Upon the Waters**

Besides hanging up records as fighters, Uncle Sam's Expeditionary Forces in Europe set another mark they may well be proud of, according to Albert G. Bagley, director of western department war activities, K. of C.

During the overseas service of the Knights of Columbus, secretaries of the organization loaned to the fighting men upwards of \$300,000, according to figures announced recently by Lawrence O. Murray, overseas commissioner of the Knights.

And of that huge amount, made largely in small loans, all but \$600 was repaid. Murray is confident that the loss of even this small amount was due to the borrowers being killed in action before they could repay their loans.

**Notice to Contractors**

Notice is hereby given that V. B. Eakin, clerk of school district numbered 24 of Sherman county, Oregon, has been authorized by the board of directors thereof, to receive sealed bids for the erection of a new school building in said school district. Plans and specifications may be seen either at the Citizens Bank at Grass Valley, Oregon, or at the Farmers State Bank at Moro, Oregon. Contractors are requested to submit bids either with or without the excavating for the basement. All bids must be accompanied with a certified check, amounting to 5 per cent of the price of the bids made. All bids will be opened at the Rutledge school house in School District 24 on Saturday, March 27, 1920, at 2:30 P. M. The school board reserves the right to reject any and all bids. You may send your bids to

V. B. Eakin, school clerk,  
Grass Valley, Oregon.

For the present the state land board has money to loan on first mortgages on lands based upon conservative valuations. One person may borrow as much as \$5000, payable one year after date, but so long as the interest is paid promptly it may run for ten years. The interest is six per cent. Service is prompt, not any red tape about it, only a few simple business requirements. The state of Oregon needs interest for its school fund and has this money to loan while it may last. If you need money, investigate and be convinced that it is the best place to borrow. W. C. Bryant, attorney state land board for Sherman county.

**THE WHEEL THAT  
SQUEAKS LOUDEST  
GETS THE GREASE**

It is worthy of note that 90 per cent of all purchases of lumber from mail order, or so called ready cut "hammer and common sense," houses do not care to repeat the experiment. Compare these prices listed below:

Ready Cut House, Job No. 1, Price	- - -	\$2400
Same House same plan Tum-A-Lum Price		1985
TUM-A-LUM SAVING		\$315

Aladdin House Job No. 2, Price	- - -	\$2100
Same House same plan, Tum a Lum Price	-	1830
TUM-A-LUM SAVING		\$270

In Our Work in 60 Towns in Eastern Washington and Oregon, We have Gathered Proof of This Fact: That

**On Any Mail Order House Quotations, Our Price Will  
Be From 10 To 15 Per Cent Lower For  
Same Material**

When planning any new building, "Get Down to Business and Brass Tacks." Ask to be served with

**FREE COMPLETE PLANS**

Bring us your rough plans from any plan book and we will prepare complete working plans with instructions where every stick of material is to be used—or we will be glad to loan you our plan books—and by the way—ever notice the huge plans the ordinary mail order house—who advertise house plans to save money—notice the large size rooms, averaging (taking from a number of Northwest Mail Order House Plan Books): "Bed rooms 9x10, bath rooms 5x6, kitchens 10x9, etc. Notice the fact that the rear porch generally constitutes an uncovered platform with a few steps really a "stoop" mis-called a porch. Notice the lack of the modern conveniences in most of the designs—no kitchen cupboards shown in plan, no medicine cabinet in bath room, no handy built in features, such as ironing boards, book cases, linen closets, or clothes closets. Or did you imagine the price quoted included the freight, and were afterwards surprised to learn you have to dig down in your pocket and pungle up some more good shekles for Uncle Sam's railroad; or have you thought that all the material necessary would be furnished, and the nine out of ten, extra material amounting approximately \$100.00 had to be purchased to complete the job.

Our Architectural Department, comprising a number of skilled architects, supply us with pictures of houses and all farm buildings.

**Read this offer backed by TUM-A-LUM capital of  
One Million Dollars**

We quote you guaranteed price complete ALL lumber material necessary—no extra to pay for—should there be a few small items extra required to build the house according to plan, we furnish same WITHOUT COST—When the job is completed haul back the material left over and receive CREDIT. Ever hear of a similar offer made by a Mail Order House?

**SAVE MONEY** on all buildings NOW. Lumber is lowest now it will be for five years, and is already now advancing. Secretary of the Navy, Daniels, says "The man who says he will build a house as soon as wages goes down, is inviting a panic, disaster and calamity! For I tell you, and it's the truest thing I could say, that wages in the United States are never going back to the old level." Prices will not drop. Don't wait—ask us about Partial Payments Plans—Ask to see our special plan books on homes, illustrated with fireplaces, bookcases, cupboards, medicine cabinets, ironing boards, and pedestal arches, linen cases, stairways, breakfast room sets, etc.

Ask us we live and pay taxes here

**TUM-A-LUM LUMBER CO.**

O. C. PIERCE, Manager.

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OREGON