

SHERMAN COUNTY OBSERVER

Moro, Oregon

FRIDAY, November 17, 1922

Kureka Lodge No. 121.
A. F. A. M. Moro, Or.
Meets the first and third Thursday evenings of each month. Visiting members cordially invited to see with us. By order of W. M. W. F. HULLEY, Secretary.

Bethlehem Chapter No. 78 O. E. S.
Regular communication each 2d and 4th Thursday evening monthly.
NELLIE MUIR, Worthy Matron
NANA BARZEE, Secretary.

Moro Lodge No. 113.
I. O. O. F.
Meets every Monday evening in their hall. Transient and Visiting Brothers cordially invited to meet with us.
W. H. Williams, N. G.
A. M. Young, Secretary.

CHRIS SCHULTZ POST NO. 71 AMERICAN LEGION
Meets at Odd Fellows Hall on second and fourth Wednesdays of each month.
Roy F. Dean, Commander
J. C. Harper, Adjutant and Finance Officer

Herbert R. Satchwell, new postmaster at Shedd since October 1, age about 50 years, dropped dead from heart disease.

C. N. McArthur, for years the representative in congress for the third district, was defeated for re-election by Elton Watkins, democrat.

In the three-cornered contest for mayor of Astoria, O. B. Setters defeated M. Gorman and B. F. Stone by a plurality of approximately 400.

The first boys' and girls' industrial club to organize in Linn county for the coming year is at Franklin Butte school in the Selo neighborhood.

The port of Astoria budget committee has fixed the port tax on the 1922 roll at \$233,927.70 or \$23,123.20 less than the amount in last year's roll.

James S. VanWinkle, Linn county assessor and brother of Attorney-General Van Winkle, died at his home in Albany following several weeks' illness.

Twenty-one road districts of Marion county have voted special road levies aggregating \$34,474.86, according to reports received at the county clerk's office.

The first of the 25 special road districts in Linn county to report the voting of a special tax for road improvement next year is Rock Creek, Bear Gates.

Scott & Eager of Dayton, Wash., have purchased approximately 4,000,000 board feet of yellow pine, Douglas fir and white fir in the Umatilla national forest.

The political race between George L. Quine and W. L. Cobb for county judge of Douglas county will probably not be decided until the final count is made.

The compulsory education bill which Oregon adopted at last week's election by a majority vote of more than 13,000 is to be tested in the courts for its constitutional right to live.

The pear shipping season from the Rogue river valley is about over, there being only about 20 cars yet to go. So far 1300 cars of pears have been shipped to the eastern market.

PERSONALS

Live Lines About People Who Have Come and Gone

S. P. Brisbin and wife were called to Hillsboro Sunday by the unexpected death of Mrs. Brisbin's sister-in-law.

C. V. Belknap is rapidly recovering from his experience of having a car-buckle on the lower portion of the back of his cranium.

V. B. Eakin was a business visitor in Moro Tuesday from his Rutledge farm. He is furnishing the new home recently built on his farm.

Attorney C. L. Pepper, of The Dalles, was in Moro this week on legal affairs connected with litigation coming up in circuit court next week.

Jake Douma is confined to his home ill with pneumonia. His condition is reported as not serious, but it was thought best to secure the services of a special nurse.

Martin Hansen and sons have been visiting in the city this week. They were on their way home to Camp Sherman from a visit at Goldendale with Mr. Hansen's mother.

Miss Nellie McKeown was visiting with relatives in Moro on Armistice Day, from her home at Ridgefield, Washington. Miss McKeown is a former deputy county clerk of Sherman county.

H. E. Morrow was in town Tuesday from Kent. He reports an unusual amount of moisture for that section at this time of year. The summer fallow is wet down to a depth of ten inches or more and automobiles have had to use teams to navigate the roads.

Last Wednesday evening a second series of subjects of popular interest was begun at the Union midweek service, when Mrs. W. L. Dillinger led the meeting on the general theme, "What Constitutes a Live Church?" Next week Rev. Henry G. Hanson will lead the meeting considering "The Manner of Christmas Giving." All who have found Christmas giving a problem, or who desire to see a more sane way of observing the great holiday, should attend.

Holstein bull for service at the W. H. Hill dairy.

For Rent—One large bedroom, with stove. Apply at Post Office, Moro.

Special sale of phonographs at Moro Hardware & Implement Co.

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

We pay parcel post one way on all shoe repairing. Good quality leather and work. Joe Adams, The Dalles, Oregon.

Anyone wanting jewelry will find the L. W. Rues complete stock of jewelry on sale at the Moro Hardware & Implement Co.

Watch papers for date. Dr. Freese's next visit to Sherman county town.

For Sale—Yearling cockerels, of O. A. C. strain S. C. White Leghorns, \$1.00 and \$1.50 each. No trade. H. P. Orzech, Moro, Oregon.

Lost—Elgin open faced gold watch, on November 7th, at my home or around Ginn, Coleman & Co. hardware store. Reward offered for return. Roy Benson, Moro.

COUNTY MERCHANT CAUGHT IN HIGHWAY CAR ACCIDENTS

Local Railroad Agent Comes Near to Auto Mishap on Wednesday

Returning to Moro from Portland Wednesday afternoon via auto and the Columbia highway, J. C. Harper had the misfortune to become involved in two separate auto accidents which partially demolished his Dodge car, without injury to himself.

The first accident occurred west of Hood River when he was flagged by a watchman where repair work was being done on the highway. When Mr. Harper stopped his car was immediately hit in the rear by another car following too closely. The only apparent damage was to the gasoline tank.

The second accident was east of Mosier, caused by a truck crowding Mr. Harper's car off the pavement into the soft dirt. As a result of this accident the front wheels were torn off and the car frame broken in two places.

The car was taken back to Mosier and word sent to The Dalles for mechanical assistance. Mr. Harper continued to The Dalles, where A. Rose met him with his Ford sedan, both returning to Moro about 9:30 p. m.

On his way to The Dalles to meet Mr. Harper, Mr. Rose met with a near accident at the Vic Andersen corner. Driving in the one-way track of the newly graded road, he saw some indistinct objects bobbing along in the dark just beyond the range of his lights. These he soon discovered to be calves, one in each track of the road. Attempting to go around them, he skidded slightly into the ditch, one of the calves deciding to cross the road in front of his car. Rose stopped his car, the calves stopped to look it over, then calmly started to back-track. Rose arrived safely in The Dalles.

Snowfall, though light, practically has eliminated the danger of forest fires in the Umatilla national forest, according to officials. The forest has not had any big fires this year.

Sherman county this year lost the distinction of being the first county in Oregon to send its election returns to the secretary of state for official count. This year the honor went to Hood River county.

The third annual district convention of the Royal Neighbors of America was held in Baker with 50 delegates, representing camps from Pendleton, La Grande, Ontario, Elgin, Halfway, Cove and Island City.

The state emergency board met in Salem Friday to consider an additional appropriation for the erection of a new dormitory at the state industrial school for girls to replace the one which was burned a few months ago.

With 79,164 votes cast for governor in Multnomah county finally tabulated, the result gives this important county to Walter M. Pierce, democrat, by a lead of 8172. Complete unofficial returns from the 425 precincts in the county give Olcott 35,496, Pierce 43,668.

Based on complete or incomplete returns from every county, the democrats in last week's election apparently made a gain of eight members of the house in the state legislature which convenes next January. The minority party also gained two seats in the senate.

Fire losses in Oregon, exclusive of Portland, during the month of October, aggregated \$375,150, according to a report prepared by the state fire marshal. The most disastrous fire was at Medford, where a warehouse and contents were destroyed with a loss of \$190,000.

A large barn, 200 tons of baled timothy hay, two valuable horses, a huge straw stack and a few small buildings situated on the ranch owned by N. K. West of La Grande, situated about 11 miles east of La Grande, were completely destroyed by fire with a loss estimated at \$15,000.

The Hood River valley is being advertised by a new contour map of the orchard section and Mount Hood region. The map, executed by Fred Routledge of Portland, is being financed jointly by the Hood River commercial club, citizens of the city and valley and Amos S. Benson.

Through failure of the candidates for city office to qualify, and the subsequent failure of the city recorder to publish notice of election, the people of Gold Hill were unable to elect city officers. As a result, the present mayor and city council will hold over until next election unless they are recalled.

315 voters of Medford at last week's election adopted a charter amendment providing for a water commission to be appointed by the mayor and to have full control of the water department of the city.

Charles A. Bigelow, commissioner of public affairs, was re-elected and Stanhope S. Pier was elected, according to complete unofficial returns from all city precincts, for city commissioners in Portland.

C. W. Drake, 55, and William McTeague, 45, are dead as the result of being struck by rocks flying from a blast at the William Von der Hellen road camp on the Crater lake highway near Prospect.

The assessment on all property in Oregon, exclusive of public utilities, upon which the levy for 1923 will be made, will be slightly lower than the present year, according to a report issued by Frank Lovell, state tax commissioner. The 1923 levy will be based on the tax rolls for 1922 and probably will be announced late in December.

BRIEF NEWS

Paragraphs on State, County and Community's Events

L. V. Moore is the owner of a full blood Irish Setter, secured in The Dalles.

The usual November term of circuit court will convene in Moro next Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Coleman entertained the Hoskinson's and Miss Nellie McKeown at dinner on Armistice Day. Miss McKeown spent the week-end in Moro, visiting with friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Farra, from Reedpoint, Montana, are visiting with Mrs. Farra's mother, Mrs. C. S. Royce and family at DeMoss. A large number of friends remember Mrs. Farra as Miss Pauline Corwin.

Bart Barria and brother-in-law, G. E. Bellinger, from Lebanon, Oregon, passed through Moro last week with a car loaded with four buck deer and 150 geese. They had crossed the mountains between Klamath and Medford, where they shot the deer, and from there north, to Bend and Moro, home by way of the Columbia highway.

Ira M. Peterson left Wednesday for Portland, to attend in that city on Wednesday evening a banquet of the state bar association, given in honor of ex-chief justice, now associate justice, Thomas A. McBride, of the Oregon supreme court, on the occasion of his seventy-fifth birthday. Mr. Peterson expects to be back in Moro Saturday.

Attention is called to the advertisement of a combination auction sale on page four. For convenience of bidders the sale has been arranged to be held at the V. B. Eakin farm near Rutledge. Forty-six head of good farm horses, farm implements, chickens, geese, cows and household goods are listed to be sold. A. B. Riddell is the auctioneer.

How two sharp crooks became rich and honest in spite of themselves, is the theme of a highly amusing screen comedy, "Get-Rich-Quick Wallingford," to appear at the Moro theatre Saturday. It is a diverting screen version of George M. Cohan's world-famous play of the same name. Sam Hardy, Norman Kerry and Doris Kenyon have the leading roles.

H. B. Pinkerton and family returned last week from Gilliam county where they attended, on the 4th, an invitation dinner dance given in the Condon Hotel at Condon. About forty-five couples attended, all college people, and included graduates from colleges located in Canada, Edinburgh, Scotland, the U. of California, Ann Arbor, Michigan, O. A. C. U. of O., Oregon State Normal, Willamette University, Pacific University. While in Gilliam county Mr. Pinkerton and family visited with Bert Elton and family, formerly of Wasco, and Perry Johnston and Virgil Cushman and families, formerly of Moro, all of whom are now residents of Gilliam county.

Commercial organizations of towns in various sections of Idaho, Oregon and Washington have accepted an invitation sent out by the Open River association for a conference at Pendleton November 17. Delegates will be in attendance from Lewiston, Walla Walla, Spokane, Seattle, Boardman, Baker, Kentonwick and Umatilla.

An unusually fine fall for farm work in western Oregon, but too dry for best results in the eastern part of the state, is the substance of reports reaching F. L. Kent, agricultural statistician, United States department of agriculture. Reports indicate that fall seeding operations are farther advanced than usual in the western part of the state, many farmers having already completed their fall planting.

Charged with attempting to control the export lumber business of the Pacific coast by illegal methods, the Douglas Fir Exploitation and Export company was made defendant at a hearing held in Portland before W. W. Sheppard, examiner of the federal trade commission. The hearing, which was preceded by a similar one at San Francisco, will be followed by a similar investigation at Seattle.

With her ladder partially disabled and about four feet of water in her storeroom as the result of a hole in her bottom, the government dredge P. S. Michie was brought into the Astoria harbor last week. The dredge was enroute from Grays Harbor for Portland and when crossing into the Columbia river a strong ebb-tide forced the vessel on to the edge of Clatsop spit, where her stern struck.

That the Pacific northwest is helpless in the grip of the worst car shortage it has ever known and that immediate relief is imperative was the gist of an urgent statement framed and forwarded to the interstate commerce commission by officials of the public service commission of Oregon, the public utilities commission of Idaho and the department of public works of Washington after a conference in Portland.

Construction of an \$8,000,000 power plant at the Metolius power site on the Deschutes river, is the project on which is based the Bend Water, Light & Power company's request for a hearing before the federal power commission. Development of 120,000 horsepower, sufficient to pump water from the Deschutes for the irrigation of 85,000 acres of land in Jefferson county and in addition to afford sufficient power for large industrial use, are included in the project.

FIRE DISCOVERED AT DEMOSS BARN DECLARED INCENDIARY

Neighbors Find Flames Which Threaten Property of DeMoss and Thorpe

An incendiary attempt to burn the DeMoss Brothers' barn on their farm at DeMoss was prevented early Sunday evening by the prompt discovery by neighbors of the attempted arson. The farm is under lease to G. G. Thorpe, who lives about a thousand yards from the barn. The family had left in the early evening to visit with Hugh Walker and knew nothing of the attempted crime until neighbors came word.

The fire was discovered about nine o'clock, set in three places within a distance of twenty feet, alongside the winter's supply of straw. Mr. Thorpe and neighbors worked until after midnight before they considered no further damage would ensue.

At the time of the fire the barn contained twelve head of cows, seven yearling heifers, ten calves, several pigs, eight head of horses, besides harness and miscellaneous articles. The horses and harness were owned by Mr. Thorpe, who also had an interest in the calves. The cows and heifers were owned by DeMoss Brothers. Stacked near the barn was fifteen tons of hay and thirty-five loads of straw. The fire was first discovered in the straw, about six loads being destroyed.

F. A. Sayre has been seriously ill the past week, suffering from perplexing stomach or bowel trouble. A special nurse has been engaged and it is reported that he will be removed to a hospital as soon as he gains in strength.

A new public market will be opened in Moro Saturday, November 25th, by H. A. Barzee, brother of Art Barzee of this city. H. A. Barzee is an experienced meat cutter and plans to handle only the best quality of meats at a saving to the public. Attention is called to the advertisement of the new market on page three.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Belshee returned Sunday from a visit to the Pacific International Live Stock Show at Portland. They left Moro on the 7th, going that day to their son's home north of Wasco. The next day, with their son, Roy Belshee, in his car, and accompanied by his family, they drove over the Columbia highway to Portland, returning Saturday via auto to Roy's home and the next day, in their car, to Moro. When in Portland they met a niece, Mrs. Maud Collins, now living in California, whom they had not seen for sixteen years and their son B. F. Belshee, who is now living in Portland and employed by Standard Oil Company as salesman.



THE CLEARING HOUSE OF NATIONAL THOUGHT

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The story of the small beginnings of these two great institutions, their steady growth, and their present importance in the work of the nation, is told in an attractively illustrated folder of the series on Our Government now being issued by this Institution.

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The tale of a town with more dollars than sense,
and a slick young guy who was gunning for boobs.

FEATURING

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Tuesday, November 14

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