

# SHERMAN COUNTY OBSERVER

Moro, Oregon

FRIDAY January 30, 1925

**Eureka Lodge No. 121**  
A. F. & A. M. Moro, Ore.  
Meets the 1st and 3d Thursdays  
evenings of each month.  
Visiting members cordially  
invited to meet with us. By  
order of W. M.  
Robt. Urquhart, Secretary

**Bethlehem Chapter**  
No. 78 O. E. F.  
Regular communications  
each 2nd and 4th Thursday  
evenings monthly.  
Mrs. E. A. Cushman,  
Worthy Matron,  
Nana Barzee, Secretary.

**Moro Lodge No. 113**  
I. O. O. F.  
Meets every Monday  
evening in the I. O. O. F. hall.  
Transient and visiting  
brothers are cordially invited  
to meet with us.  
H. C. Ruggles, N. G.  
A. M. Young, Secretary.

**Lupine Rebecca Lodge**  
No. 116, Moro, Oregon,  
meets 1st and 3d Fridays  
of each month. Visiting  
members welcome.  
Margaret Peetz, N. G.  
Lanora Schadevitz, Secy

**CHRIS SCHULTZ POST NO. 71**  
AMERICAN LEGION  
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second and fourth Wednesdays  
of each month.  
Commander, I. M. Peterson,  
Adjutant, Geo. Mitchell.

**Zell's Funeral Home Now Open at**  
Moro, A. M. Young, manager.

The new trout hatchery of the state  
game commission on Roaring river,  
in Linn county, will be completed in  
March or April, according to M. L.  
Ryckman, state superintendent of  
hatcheries. The hatchery will be simi-  
lar to the Tillamook station, and will  
bring the number of year-around  
plants of the commission to 22.

A heavy acreage of wheat, damaged  
in December when sub-zero weather  
prevailed for several days while the  
wheat was unprotected by snow, will  
have to be reseeded, according to  
Fred Benson, Umatilla county agent.  
Reports of similar damage has been  
received from northern parts of Sher-  
man, Gilliam and Morrow counties.

The state land board has asked for  
approval by the state forestry depart-  
ment and agricultural department of  
Oregon Agricultural college looking  
to the exchange of approximately 70,  
000 acres of scattered school lands for  
similar government acreage in Douglas  
county. The latter lands are located  
in Douglas county and are in one tract.

Four fatalities were due to industrial  
accidents in Oregon during the  
week ending January 23, according to  
a report prepared by the state in-  
dustrial accident commission. The  
victims were J. T. Parks, Wendling,  
chaser; Irus H. Axtell, Portland, utility  
man; William M. Sweeney, Portland,  
truck driver and J. V. Johnson, Marsh-  
field, timekeeper. A total of 480 acci-  
dents was reported.

The Willamette Central Federal  
Farm Loan association was formed  
at a meeting at Eugene of delegates  
from Lane, Coos, Curry, Linn and Ben-  
ton counties, who conferred with of-  
ficers from the federal loan bank at  
Spokane, elected officers of the associa-  
tion and delegates to the conven-  
tion to be held in Spokane in March  
and chose Albany as the place of the  
next annual convention.



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## Pertinent Facts Concerning Your Federal Income Tax Payments

Second Article.

The exemptions under the revenue act of 1924 are 1-thousand dollars for single persons 25-hundred dollars for married persons living together, and heads of families. In addition a 4-hundred dollar credit is allowed for each person dependent upon and receiving his chief support from the taxpayer, if such person is under 18 years of age or incapable of self-support because mentally or physical-ly defective.

The normal tax rate under the revenue act of 1924 is 2 per cent on the first 4-thousand dollars of net income in excess of the personal exemptions, credit for dependents, etc., 4 per cent on the balance. Under the preceding act the normal tax rate was 4 per cent on the first 4-thousand dollars of net income above the exemptions and credits, and 8 per cent on the remaining net income.

The revenue act of 1924 contains a special provision for reduced taxes which did not appear in previous laws. All net income up to 5-thousand dollars is considered "earned income." On this amount the tax-  
payer is entitled to a credit of 25 per cent of the amount of the tax.

For example, a tax payer, single and without dependents, may have received in 1924 a salary of 2-thousand dollars and from a real estate transaction a profit of 3-thousand dollars. His total net income was 5-thousand dollars. Without the benefit of the 25 per cent reduction his tax would be \$80. His actual tax is \$60. From his net income of 5-thousand dollars he is allowed a personal exemption of 1-thousand dollars; the tax of 2 per cent on the first 4-thousand dollars is eighty dollars, one-fourth of which, or twenty dollars, may be deducted.

For the purpose of computing this credit, in no case is the earned net income considered to be in excess of ten thousand dollars. A taxpayer may have received for the year 1924 a net income from salary of twenty thousand dollars, but the 25 per cent credit can be applied to only one-half of this amount.

A shipment of 50,000 eastern brook trout eggs was received at the state fish hatchery at Dead Point creek, near Dee. The eggs were taken at Fall creek, near Bend. The Dead Point hatchery, which last year pro-  
pagated over 3,000,000 fry, expects to exceed this number this year.

County Judge McKee, Commissioner L. L. Peetz, Supt. D. E. Stephens and W. H. Ragsdale left on Tuesday for Salem where they will confer with other similar committees from eastern Oregon counties in an effort to secure an appropriation from the state with which to finance seed wheat purchases by farmers who were affected by the cold snap of last December.

A pet pony, owned by Omer Sayers' son, was found early Wednesday with a broken hind leg. The pony was running loose with the rest of the farm horses and it is thought the leg was broken by a kick from a larger horse. The pony has been the boy's pet for the past five years and has been taught a number of stunts by its owner. By aid of the horse the boy has not been tardy to school since he first began attending when six years old.

Homer S. Wall, county road master, has the right idea of road conservation. When in this city the first of the week, a heavy rain broke which filled the street gutters to overflowing. Wall got out his shovel from the county road car and busied himself cleaning gutters and drains on the city street. If all would do likewise when a little bit of bad road shows up that could be fixed quickly, we would be paying less for road maintenance.

A district rally meeting of Wasco, Hood River and Sherman county Odd Fellows will be held in The Dalles this Friday evening. Several hundred members are expected to be in attendance from all parts of the district. Delegations are also expected from Goldendale and White Salmon on the Washington side. A number of grand lodge officers will be in attendance including L. E. Carter of Portland, grand master; L. D. Porter of Corvallis, grand marshal; and Wm. H. Popham of Portland, grand guardian.

The state legislature of Oregon is considering an appropriation of one million two hundred thousand dollars to be loaned to eastern Oregon farmers with which to purchase seed wheat for planting in frozen out localities. In order first to determine whether it would be possible for the state to advance money for the re-seeding purposes, even though the investment was secured by mortgage or lien, a committee was appointed to confer with the attorney-general and inquire into the legal phase of the situation.

The members of the board of directors of the Sherman county fair association, appointed at the last term of county court, met at Moro on Wednesday afternoon and organized for business for the coming year. Business taken care of at the meeting included an order for the replacement of the present board fence on the front side of the fair grounds with woven wire fencing, an order made approving graveling the driveways and open space inside the grounds, near the pavilion, and replacing water pipes inside the grounds with pipes of larger capacity.

## BRIEF NEWS

Paragraphs on State, County and Community's Events

W. A. Ruggles is helping take the annual inventory at Moro Trading Co. Art Justesen was a business visitor in Moro on Wednesday from his farm near Kent.

At the regular meeting of the city council on Tuesday evening, George Ellsworth was reelected city marshal.

Agent Rose, of the O-W-R. & N. Co., is convalescing from his illness and is now able to sit at table at meal time.

Mrs. Estella Benson is substituting as assistant in the local post office for Miss Elsie Bourhill, who is confined to her home by sickness.

Mrs. Art Barzee, who has been under medical care in a Portland hospital the past two months, returned to her home near Moro last Monday.

The violin advertised in the Observer as lost by Albert Davis was found by Homer S. Wall, who brought it to this office on Monday to be returned to its owner.

Alexander Jackson, resident of Kent district for some time where he has a homestead east of that place, has accepted the position as posting clerk at the Bank of Moro.

Messrs. Dunlap, Wilson and Hartley, directors of Kent school district, were visiting nearly all of Monday at Moro school. We did not learn the incentive for the official visit of the board.

R. A. Feenstra attended the Father and Son banquet given under the auspices of the Wasco Methodist church at Wasco on Wednesday evening and was one of the speakers on the program. About 125 attended.

Miss Helen Idleman entertained at bridge at Hotel Moro last Saturday afternoon in honor of Miss Virginia West of Grass Valley. Included among the guests who were present were Miss Idleman's sister teachers of Moro school.

Chris Andersen and wife came up from Portland by train last Friday to look over the wheat situation on his farm near Moro. Before their arrival, snow had covered the ground and upon their return to Portland on Tuesday no definite conclusion had been arrived at.

Several local farmers in this vicinity got busy the first of the week and covered their probable seed wheat needs while good varieties of spring wheat were available in the market. It is now reported that all spring wheat suitable for seed has been bought by farmers at widely separated points in the northwest.

A. C. Thompson, Martin Melzer and Dewey Thompson are busy these days getting teams in condition for quick work in the early spring. They are buying and trading for horses of any kind, says A. C.—capable to help with the reseeded that they expect to do this spring. Andrew says that they are trading colts, yearlings, calves, chickens and money for anything that looks like a horse.

Dr. J. A. Linville, speaking before the Oregon sheriffs in convention in Portland, recently stated that a permanent federal prohibition office would be established in The Dalles on February 1st. No indication was given of who the officer in charge of prohibition enforcement would be, although it was considered that Dan Kerfoot who has worked with Sheriff Levi Chrisman, would be the most desirable.

A large auto stage, operated on the Bend-Klamath run, upset last Saturday noon in the center of the horseshoe turn about a mile north of Grass Valley. The stage was occupied by the driver and some passengers said to be the manager of the stage line. The bus was traveling about 55 miles an hour, it is reported, and failed to clear the turn, turning over twice and spinning around once. It was a well battered wreck when brought to the Williams Morto Co. garage of this city for repairs.

## News Items From Kent and Vicinity

Chas. Garhammer is back from his annual Portland visit.

Mrs. A. T. Holt is a patient in a hospital at The Dalles.

Guy Hoskinson spent the week-end in Portland returning on Tuesday.

L. W. Amick and wife were Grass Valley visitors Tuesday afternoon.

Wm. Mitchell and Roy Barnett were in Wasco Friday on business.

Mrs. Peter Peters is enjoying a visit with her mother from Nebraska.

Mrs. A. L. Sanders and children of Moro are visiting at the H. E. Morrow home.

Mrs. Harry Hilton is improving nicely from burns she received some six weeks ago.

Mrs. George Howell has received word of the death of her father at Battleground, Washington.

Mrs. A. A. Dunlap and Mrs. Max Pluempke were visiting at the Matt Simon home at Grass Valley Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank von Borstel are the proud parents of a ten pound son. He arrived Saturday January 24th.

Mrs. Roy Barnett accompanied by Mrs. Jas. Mathis and daughter Velma were week-end visitors at the George Barnett home in The Dalles.

It is reported that Rev. Hicks of Wasco will speak at the Christian church every two weeks, beginning next Sunday February 1st, at 3 o'clock.

J. U. Leonard was called to Hood River because of the serious illness of his father at that place, but from recent reports his father is much improved.

Mrs. B. F. Ireland arrived home on Monday stage from Walla Walla, Washington, where she had been at the bedside of her mother, Mrs. C. P. Woodruff, who passed away on Tuesday of last week.

Mrs. J. E. Norton was surprised Friday evening when a number of her friends walked in with a fine lunch. Her small daughter Alta invited the ladies in honor of her mother's birthday. Everybody had an enjoyable time.

## Movie News of the Current Week

The caveman method of wooing a fair lady was much more direct than the modern system, but it had certain defects of its own. The mortality rate was higher.

On the other hand divorces were very much more simple. But it was almost always fatal to the man.

Buster Keaton, whose first feature comedy-drama, "Three Ages," a Metro picture in six reels, which is coming to Moro theaters Saturday, January 31st, has that and more to say about the art of love. "Wooing was a simple matter in the cave-man era. Buster explained. "You got behind a rock and when your fair one came along you soaked her over the head with your club and—she was yours."

"As for divorce, it was very simply arranged. The lady waited till the right opportunity and then pushed her sheik over a cliff." All this is clearly expounded in "Three Ages."

A woman visiting in Pendleton last year from the east, accepted an invitation from friends to drive with them to Walla Walla. An accident occurred on the trip, resulting in the death of the visitor and serious injury to the owners of the auto. The owners of the auto, who were entertaining the dead person in a social capacity at the time of the accident, are now being sued for \$7500 damages which will in all likelihood be paid by them with added court costs on both sides, when the legal red tape is unwound. Oregon has a state law that the owner and operator of a motor vehicle is liable for all damages suffered by any person riding in the vehicle, whether by invitation or otherwise.

## CHURCH NEWS

Notes of Interest to All Local Denominations

At the Methodist church Sunday morning Mrs. R. A. Feenstra will give the last of her messages on the First Psalm.

Christian Science church services on Sunday at eleven a. m. and on Wednesday at eight p. m. Sunday school convenes at 10:15. Reading room is open daily. All are welcome to attend the church services and to make use of the reading room.

At the Presbyterian church next Tuesday evening, Gene Simmons, cartoonist will give a lecture and illustrated chalk talk under the auspices of the Women's Missionary Society. Admission 20 and 35 cents. Part of the proceeds will go to the local society.

The usual services will take place at the Presbyterian church next Sunday morning. The pastor will give a biographical sermon-lecture on Charles G. Finney. At the Sunday school Mr. Tom Fraser will sing a solo. Everybody should make it a point to arrive on time.

Next Sunday evening will take place a special service commemorating the anniversary of the Christian Endeavor movement. Rev. Henry G. Hanson will speak on the theme, "Playing the Game." The young people are expected to have charge and various ones will take part on the program of the evening. The offering at the service will go to the young people. All are cordially invited to attend.

## Ruggles Family Honors Mother's Birthday Anniversary at Home

The home of Mrs. Lucy Ruggles, in Grass Valley, was made merry on Friday evening, January 23d, by a gathering of her family. The occasion being her birthday.

Mrs. Ruggles was the recipient of beautiful presents and hearty wishes. A bountiful dinner was served and a happy evening spent. Mrs. J. N. Landry made the birthday cake and it was a pretty sight with its gay candles. "Mother" Ruggles enjoyed seeing all her children with their families gathered at her hearth again. Twelve grand children were present. Other guests were Mr. and Mrs. Ravella Calbreath of Moro and Mr. Leonard Workman.

"Mother" Ruggles is a pioneer of Sherman county, coming here with her husband in 1882. At that time Moro consisted of three houses, and there were a few scattered settlers throughout the county. She witnessed the gradual growth of Sherman county. Always interested in intellectual development she kept in touch with educational matters and when it became convenient returned to Normal school and after graduating took up her profession again and for eight years has had charge of the primary work in Grass Valley.

The whole country-side join with her family in wishing her many happy returns of the day.

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## NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Notice is hereby given that the County Court of Sherman County will receive bids for the grading of the "Lone Rock Market Road"—Section "A" up to and including ten o'clock a. m., Wednesday, February 4th 1925.

Plans and specifications are on file at the office of the County Clerk at the court house in Moro, Oregon, and at the office of the County Roadmaster in Wasco, Oregon.

The County Court reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

Dated this 20th day of January, and published by order of the County Court.

Mary L. Hoskinson,  
j23-2t County Clerk.

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

In the County Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Sherman, in the matter of the Estate of Elizabeth A. Dunn, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed administrator of the estate of Elizabeth A. Dunn, deceased, by the County Court of the State of Oregon for Sherman County and has qualified. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present the same duly verified, as by law required, to the undersigned at the law office of W. C. Bryant, Moro, Oregon, within six months from the date hereof.

Dated and first published January 30th, 1925.  
A. H. Barnum, Administrator of the Estate.  
W. C. Bryant, attorney.  
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**"Three Ages"**  
Saturday, January 31st.

THREE AGES is a travesty on love, marriage and business—a satire on present day civilization which for sheer burlesque and comic exaggeration exceeds anything Buster Keaton has ever done.

**"The Isle of Lost Ships"**  
Sunday, February 1st.

THE ISLE OF LOST SHIPS is a story of an island of lost ships in the sailor's mythological Sargasso sea; a people by shipwrecked men and women; ruled by a giant brute; where primitive methods rule the lives of the island folk.

**"The Eagle's Feather"**  
Saturday, February 7th.

THE EAGLE'S FEATHER is a powerful drama filled with the elemental passions of men and women and staggering in its tense, thrilling climaxes. And there is a scene— But see it! You'll never forget it!

**"A Son of the Sahara"**  
Sunday, February 8th

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