

SHERMAN COUNTY OBSERVER

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Eureka Lodge No. 121 A. F. & A. M.
Moro, Oregon
Meets the 1st and 3rd
Thursday evenings of
each month. Visiting
members cordially in-
vited to meet with us.
By order of W. M.
Robt. Urquhart, Secretary.

Bethlehem Chapter No. 78 O. F. S.
Moro, Oregon
Regular communica-
tions each 2nd and 4th
Thursday evenings of
each month.
Lois Barzee,
Worthy Matron
Nana Barzee, Secretary.

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

Lepine Rebecca Lodge No. 116
Moro, Oregon
Meets 2d and 4th Tues-
days of each month.
Visiting members wel-
come.
Essie McKean, N. G.
Jessie Henrichs, Sec.

Chris Schultz Post No. 71
American Legion
Meets at I. O. O. F. hall
on 2nd and 4th Wednes-
day evenings of each
month.
W. H. Williams, Commander
A. M. Zevely, Adjutant

Origin of Much Slang
In the eighteenth century was
called "Pedlar's French," and every-
body has heard a cash register called
a "Jew's piano." The fur trade has
many phrases of this kind, like "bunny
scalp," "marab-quirrel," and "Alaskan
sable," all of which are camouflage
names for substitutes for the real
article.—London Answers.

**Special Sale on
HATS**

Mrs. Urquhart
MORO HOTEL BUILDING
NEW LOCATION

**Guaranteed Watch
—AND—
Jewelry Repairing**

By Expert Workmen
Leave Your Work with W. A.
Ruggles at Moro Confectionery
F. H. COOLIDGE
HOOD RIVER, OREGON

**HARTWIGS
FLOWER SHOP**

"Merchants of Beauty"
The Dalles, Oregon
Opposite First National Bank
Phone 794 Night phone 690W

Ross Confectionery
Moro, Oregon

Are agents at Moro for Hartwig's
Flower Shop. All orders left
by noon will be delivered the same
day at The Dalles prices.
SPECIAL ATTENTION
Given to Floral orders for special
occasions. Place orders early to
secure best selections.

"HOME"
Is where the Heart lies

The first thought of the Pioneers
when they "trekked" across the
country, blazing the trail to new
lands, was to set up a home of
their own.
And so it has ever been in the
mind of every man and in the
heart of every woman to have her
own home.
We have made such ideals easy to
realize and easy to consummate
through our Free Plan Service.
All improvements and conveni-
ences that contribute to wholesome
living and beauty of environment
greet you in an inspection of our
Free Plan Service Books.

"Always at Your Service."
Tum-A-Lum Lumber Co.
MORO, OREGON
D. E. CLARK, Manager.
Phone Main 91

GRAIN FIRES THIS WEEK

Seven different fires were started
last Saturday evening by a freight
train engine on the main line between
Sherman and Celilo. As a result of
the fires in Wasco county five grain
wagons, hundreds of dollars worth of
harness, 700 acres of grain, a consid-
erable amount of sacked grain, feed
racks, a derrick table, 50 tons of hay,
fences, etc., were burned. A separa-
tor was saved by two mules pulling
the machine through the fire onto
summer fallow.

The worst blaze in this county started
at Sherman station and consumed
everything between there and Spanish
hollow, including 100 acres of grain
on the Goin farm near Biggs. Twenty-
eight telephones poles and miles of
wire were destroyed on the main line
of the Pacific Telephone company.

A field fire on the Henry Howell
farm on Gordon ridge last Thursday
evening burned over about 200 acres
of grain and stubble and destroyed a
small number of sacks of wheat. It
was supposed to have started from a
spark from the caterpillar tractor.
The fire was stopped by plowing dead
furrows through the grain and back
firing. The loss was covered by in-
surance.

About 100 acres of grain was de-
stroyed by fire on the D. H. Wright
farm at Hay Canyon Wednesday at
11 a. m. The details are not available
at this time. We understand the loss
is covered by insurance.

**SALES OF FUEL FOR MOTOR
VEHICLES GAINING**

Keeping step with the progress and
expansion of the automobile industry,
motor vehicle fuel sales in Oregon
continue to show a steady gain as
compared to previous years, accord-
ing to tabulations just completed by
Sam A. Kozar, secretary of state.
Receipts from the tax on gasoline
and distillate show a commensurate
advance.

During the month of May, 1926,
there were sold 9,716,313.6 gallons
of gasoline and 274,150.2 gallons of
distillate by dealers in Oregon. Total
taxes on these sales under the laws
of 1919 and 1921 aggregated \$298,
343.17. For corresponding month
of 1925 sales of gasoline were 8,613,
049.9 gallons and distillate 520,720.2
with taxes amounting to \$271,409.45.
The gain in revenue from this source
in May of this year over the same
month in 1925 was, therefore, \$27,
133.69.

Should the sales of gasoline in the
state continue at the same rate dur-
ing the balance of the year 1926 as
they have to May 31, as shown by
the monthly reports of the motor ve-
hicle fuel dealers to the secretary of
state, the tax on this commodity for
the year will approximate \$3,675,000
as compared with the total tax on the
sales of this commodity in this state
during the year 1925 of \$3,127,000.
An approximate increase over last
year of nearly \$550,000. To May
31, of the year 1925 there were
slightly more than 33,286,000 gallons
of gasoline sold, while for the cor-
responding five months of 1926 the
sales aggregated more than 39,340,
000 gallons, or an increase of over
18% in sales volume. This advance
is slightly in excess of the average
increase in such sales during the past
five year period. During this latter
period the sales of 1925 were 18.86%
more than in 1924. In 1924 they
were 18.24% greater than in 1923.
For the year 1923 they were 27.67%
more than in 1922. In 1922 they
were 11.97% in excess of 1921 sales
and for 1921 sales were 13.6% above
those of 1920. From this it appears
that the average annual increase was
15.18% over the preceding year dur-
ing the entire period.

**REGISTRATIONS OF AUTOMO-
BILES STILL CLIMBING**

Expansion of the automobile in-
dustry along every line in Oregon is
reflected in the statement of secre-
tary of state Sam A. Kozar, of regis-
trations of motor vehicles in Oregon
during June 1926, and also for the
half year ending June 30.

Motor vehicle registrations, includ-
ing passenger cars, trucks, and motor-
cycles, were approximately 197,326
for the first six months of this year,
while during the same period in 1925
they were 181,620; a gain for 1926 of
15,706. June of 1926, with 3,705
registrations, led the corresponding
month of 1925 by 251.

While new registrations for the
first half of 1926 aggregated approxi-
mately 30,000 cars, not all of these
were new automobiles, for there are
included in these figures motor ve-
hicles not previously registered in
Oregon. Since January 1st no less
than 67,250 certificates of title have
been issued by Secretary Kozar, and
nearly 27,000 certificates transferred
which is indicative of the efficient
manner in which this phase of the
motor vehicle law is operating.

During the first six months of 1926
there were registered by the state
from Sherman county 779 passenger
cars and motor vehicles under one ton
capacity; 44 trucks and trailers; 3
motorcycles; 5 dealers; 30 chauffeurs;
total fees received by the state, \$23,
979.67. In addition to the above and
since the law licensing drivers of mo-
tor vehicles went into effect on July
1, 1926, there has been 1,848 drivers
securing licenses who are residents of
Sherman county.

Reading of advertising is worth
while.

BRIEF LOCAL NEWS

**Paragraphs on County
and Community Events**

Mrs. A. M. Zevely returned Monday
from a brief visit with friends at
Portland.

Sheriff Hugh Chrisman and wife
returned Monday from an auto visit
to Portland.

Rev. R. A. Feenstra and wife and
Mrs. Feenstra's brother, Jim McCoy,
were visiting in The Dalles on Mon-
day.

J. M. DeMoss was in town on Mon-
day from his farm north of Wasco
fixing up a new auto truck with which
to haul wheat.

W. M. Jerrells of Portland, visiting
at the Hutchcroft farm, received in-
juries to his head Tuesday when diving
into a shallow pool.

H. W. Kramer received injuries to
his left hand last Thursday when ad-
justing the fan belt on the Chester
Smith 75-horse power caterpillar.

E. A. Cushman and wife expect to
leave this week on an auto camp tour
of the Willamette valley and the
ocean beaches at Newport and Tillamook.

N. A. Foster of McMinnville, who
has been visiting at the Clarence Mes-
singer home in this city, returned this
week to his home in the Willamette
valley.

Ronald Menab of Wasco was taken
to a hospital at The Dalles on Tues-
day, suffering from an injured right
arm and shoulder as the result of an
accident while working on his harvest
combine.

Bill Hines and S. Cooper were in
Moro on Monday after extras for
their Holt harvester. Mr. Hines for-
merly farmed land west of Wasco and
is now farming in the Ajax district
of Gilliam county near the Cotton-
wood bridge crossing the John Day
river.

Yaeger Bros. vaudeville show that
appeared at Moro last Monday
brought thoughts of his old home to
C. L. Montgomery when he saw the
posters advertising the aggregation.
He had known the owner of the show
and had patronized his show back in
Weldon, Illinois, about 30 years ago.

D. E. Clark and family have had
as house guests this week Glen Mes-
singer, wife and children from Haz-
enmore, Alberta, Canada, where Mr.
Messinger is a grain dealer and ware-
house operator. The Messingers had
been visiting with relatives at Puyal-
up, Washington, and made the 316
mile drive here in the one day.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Millard of
Portland, accompanied by Mrs. Mil-
lard's brother, Leslie Webb, and wife,
were visitors in Moro on Tuesday.
They were on an auto tour of the loop
scenic drive from Portland over the
Pacific highway to Crater lake and
from there to Diamond lake, Fort
Klamath, Bend, Moro, Hood River to
Portland.

At the Farmers Elevator and Sup-
ply company last Thursday, A. S.
Johnson with the assistance of Ken-
neth McKean, took in and unloaded
63 loads of bulk wheat and loaded
two 100,000 capacity cars of
wheat. Under ordinary conditions
prevailing at a sack grain warehouse
the same amount of work would have
needed 12 men to do the work in the
same number of hours.

Judge J. T. Whalley and wife were
visitors in Moro on Tuesday on their
way home to Portland from an auto
tour of Yellowstone park. They had
been away from home 11 days when
they drove into Moro, their last over-
night stop previous having been at
Emigrant Gap on the road between
LaGrande and Pendleton, where Pres-
ident Harding had unveiled a monu-
ment to emigrants crossing the plains
just a few weeks before his death.

**TRAIN WRECK NEAR BIGGS
DELAYS MAIL SERVICE**

The train service on the Shaniko
branch was delayed Thursday by the
wreck of the north bound train Wed-
nesday night about one mile south of
Biggs, caused by a wheel on a car
loaded with wheat breaking on a
curve. Two cars loaded with sack
wheat and one car loaded with bulk
wheat went into the ditch as a result
of the accident. The south bound
train that should have gotten into
Moro at 5:45 a. m. Thursday did not
arrive here until late afternoon.

Mrs. Jas. Smith, sister-in-law of
Mrs. Robt. Urquhart, returned this
week from an auto trip to Crater lake
traveling with J. A. Thompson and
family over the California and Pacific
highways. Mrs. Smith will visit in
British Columbia on her way home to
Ontario, Canada, later in the summer.

We call attention to the special of-
fering of special assorted chocolates
made this week by the Moro Confec-
tionery for Saturday and Sunday only.
With the purchase of a box of these
chocolates there is also given free a
pound of mixed candy. All for the
one price usually charged for the cho-
colates. See adv.

Mr. Arthur B. Christianson of this
city and Miss Kerrone Frances Bix-
by were married at the home of the
bride at Oregon City on Wednesday
July 7th. Attending the wedding
from here were Mr. Christianson's
mother, Mrs. R. C. Byers; his sisters,
Mrs. C. R. Sparling, Miss Evelyn
Christianson, Marjory Byers; and
Mrs. W. H. Williams.

The best yield of wheat so far re-
ported this year was on the Wiley
McDonald farm where he harvested
1600 sacks of No. 1 turkey red wheat
from 90 acres. He was harvesting
19 sacks to the round, taking 30 min-
utes to the round trip including turn-
ing corners, with an 18-foot harvest-
er. Mr. McDonald says he will har-
vest 4000 sacks this year from about
300 acres.

Funeral services for Mary Maxine
Richelderfer, 57-year old daughter of
Mr. and Mrs. Asa D. Richelderfer of
Wasco, who died at The Dalles hos-
pital Tuesday night, was held from
the family residence Thursday under
direction of the Crandall Undertaking
company. The little girl was born at
the home place October 5, 1921.
Besides her parents, she is survived
by a sister and two brothers.

The old John Gibson farm house
and buildings had a narrow escape
from destruction by fire last Mon-
day evening about six o'clock when
the small outbuilding, common to all
residence properties, situated on the
north side of the residence, was dis-
covered to be on fire. The wood
shed was just about ready to burst
into flames when the fire was discov-
ered by Rev. R. A. Feenstra who was
most fortunately driving past in his
auto at the time. By hard work all
buildings with the exception of the
one in which the fire started were
saved. Spontaneous combustion is
believed to have been the cause of
the near conflagration.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our many friends
and relatives for the beautiful floral
offerings and also for the many acts
of kindnesses during the sickness and
at the time of the death of our loved
one.

Mrs. Ira Axtell and daughter,
J. M. Axtell and sons.

High Simplicity

Wordsworth's distinctive work . . .
was a war with pomp and pretence,
and a display of the majesty of simple
feelings and humble hearts, together
with high reflective truth in his an-
alysis of the courses of politics and
ways of men; without these, his love
of nature would have been compar-
atively worthless.—Ruskin.

MORO CHURCH NEWS

**Notes of Interest to
All Denominations**

Methodist Church Notices.
At the Methodist church next Sun-
day morning, Mrs. R. A. Feenstra
will preach from the book of Nahum.
These expository messages are great-
ly appreciated and we invite every-
body to come and be profited.
Rev. R. A. Feenstra will speak in
the evening at the Methodist church
and urges a good rally of the christian
people for the evening service.
"Faith makes the christian lord
over everything. Love makes him the
servant of everybody."—Marion Law-
rence.

Presbyterian Church Notices.
At the Presbyterian church there
will be no preaching services during
vacation of the pastor, but Sunday
school will meet as usual each Sunday
morning at 10:00 o'clock under the
leadership of Martin G. Melzer, su-
perintendent. The congregation is
invited and urged by the pastor to
attend the Methodist church for wor-
ship during these weeks.

Christian Science Announcements
The topic for the lesson-sermon at
the morning service at the Christian
Science church Sunday morning will
be "Truth."
Christian Science services are held
every Sunday morning at 11:00 o'-
clock, and on Wednesday evening at
8:00 o'clock. The Wednesday eve-
ning services include testimonials of
healing.
Sunday school is held in the Sunday
school room every Sunday morning
at 10:00 o'clock. Pupils up to the age
of twenty years are received into
these classes.

This society maintains, at the rear
entrance to the church building, a
free Christian Science reading room,
which is open daily, where the Bible
and the Christian Science text book
Science and Health, with key to the
scriptures, by Mary Baker Eddy, to-
gether with all other authorized
Christian Science literature may be
read, borrowed, or purchased.

The public is cordially invited to
attend the church services and to
visit the reading room.

Kent Church Notices.
Sunday school at First Christian
church, 10:00 o'clock every Lord's
day. Preaching in the afternoon at
3:00 o'clock, by Rev. Cofer of Grass
Valley.

Services at the Methodist church at
Grass Valley are held every Sunday
morning. Sunday school 10 a. m.
Preaching service 11 a. m. R. A.
Feenstra pastor.


"A STUDY IN SCARLET"

An automobile, driven at a moder-
ate, reasonable rate, is a source of
comfort, convenience and pleasure.
The same car, speeded up to the dan-
ger point, becomes a menace to its
driver, its occupants and to the pub-
lic. A motor car driven at terrific
speed upon a highway too often be-
comes a veritable juggernaut.
Study of automobile accidents show
that dire disaster attends the careless
motorist and that death's pallid hand
forever is at the steering wheel,
watchful, eager, alert. Only when
motorists learn to give closer atten-
tion to the operation of their cars
will the scarlet record of the grim
reaper be shortened.

If there were a traffic officer to
every mile of highway in the nation,
automobile accidents would continue
as long as drivers are reckless, care-
less and thoughtless.
Our roads are ideal for motoring,
but they are not speedways. There
must be hills and curves and points
of danger to the unwary, the careless,
Even on straight, clear stretches any
one of a thousand things can happen
to hurl the speeding automobilist into
eternity.
The motorist ought to think of
others. When he is tempted to risk
his own life he owes it to humanity
to remember that he has no right to
endanger the lives and safety of other
people. The "speed demon" is as
dangerous as the homicidal maniac
and an even greater menace for his
potential for spreading death and dis-
aster is far higher.
When the traffic officer's scream-
ing siren has brought you to a halt
and he gravely asks: "What's your
hurry?" why not give the question
more than passing thought? Is there
occasion for breaking the speed laws?
Is it worth while to risk your own life
and the lives of others, that a few
paltry minutes may be saved? Is it
not better to arrive safely at your des-
tination than never to reach it at all?
It is good to reflect that all the
driving skill, all the experience to be
gathered in years of motoring, will
avail nothing at times. Careful at-
tention to the operation of a car and
close observance of the motor laws
are the best insurance against acci-
dent.
Failure to remember this may mean
that your name will be the next to be
written upon death's roster.

Dozens of Sherman County Ob-
server readers are truly grateful for
thoughts that prompt many persons
to phone in news items.

**The World's
CHAMPION**



This is the fellow who will fight
your battles for you and always
win.

Make him your friend. The best way is to give
him a good safe home at the Bank of Moro. He
will grow here with your savings.

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Candy Special!
Saturday and Sunday Only
July 24 and 25
The Two for the Price of One.

For these two days only with each purchase of
our 1-pound box of Special Assorted Chocolates
the purchaser will receive FREE with each pur-
chase a pound of Mixed Black Walnut Puffs
and and Southern Orange Ice.

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is the LAST DAY
of this unparalleled offer—Get a**

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VACUUM CLEANER

only \$2.00 down



There is not a minute to lose! Think of being able to
get a brand new, genuine Grand Prize Eureka Vacuum
Cleaner for the astonishingly low down payment of only
\$2.00, with the balance on such extremely
easy terms you'll never miss it!

PHONE OR CALL TODAY


Call up and we will deliver the Eureka and
complete attachments right to your door.
Take them and use them as if they were
your own—no cost—no obligation. Then,
if you decide to keep them, pay only \$2.00
down. But this is the LAST CALL! Hurry.

More than 1,000,000 women are using
the Eureka in their homes today—
subjecting it to the most grueling
tests of continuous service. No dust
or dirt can be so deeply embedded in the nap as to resist the
rapidly moving volume of air which the Eureka draws completely
through the carpet, thoroughly cleaning it to its entire depth.

Ginn, Coleman & Co.
MORO, OREGON

HOT WEATHER

Is a time of hardship for
the housewife made easier
with a Kohler Power and
Light Plant on the farm
that permits working in a
cool kitchen when ironing.



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The Moro Garage**
M. R. Schadevitz, Proprietor

Farmers Elevator & Supply Co.

Office at Farmers State Bank
J. C. McKean, Manager, Moro, Oregon.

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DEALERS IN

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Olympic Poultry and Dairy Feed. Grain Bags and Twine
Copper Carbonate. Gasco Briquets, Fuel, Grain and Feed.
Cement and Building Material.

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and integrity of businesses is the reward
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