

SHERMAN COUNTY OBSERVER

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Bethlehem Chapter No. 78 O. E. S. Moro, Oregon. Regular communications 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.

Lepine Rebekah Lodge No. 116 Moro, Oregon. Meets 2d and 4th Tuesday evenings of each month. Visiting members welcome.

Chris Schultz Post No. 71 American Legion. Meets at I. O. O. F. hall on 2nd and 4th Wednesday evenings of each month.

MORO LIBRARY OPEN

The Moro Public Library is again open for business under the management of Mr. and Mrs. Karl Schade at the drug store. The customary recess has taken place during the holiday rush, but now the books are back on the shelves again.

There are at present also 750 volumes in the office of the county superintendent of schools at the court house, made up of standard library books from school districts which are not now functioning.

For books outstanding over two weeks without renewal, the Moro library board asks Mr. Schade to charge two cents a day until books are returned. It is hoped that all parents and patrons will cooperate.

The new 1927 automobile license tags are appearing in greater numbers each day. The new plate is the same color this year as last — black background, white letters, with "Oregon" spelled out and placed under the license tag number.

We wish to call special attention to the musical program arranged by the Lyceum Committee for the third number on the Lyceum Circuit, which will appear Thursday evening, January 13th.

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BIRDS BY THE SACK

Night Hunters Use Flashlights in Sparrow Hunt Contest

The contest is now on in earnest between the two teams chosen last week in the sparrow hunt contest to be decided the evening of January 15. Captain Strong has headed several raids the past week on known haunts of the sought-for bird and as a result his side is claiming possession of a number of grain sacks full of the feathered thief to show for their nights of toil.

Men on the opposing team are also said to have been spending their nights grouping in the dark in old barns trying to locate sparrows with the aid of flashlights, but up to date the team headed by Captain Strong is supposed to be leading the opposition by several sacks of birds.

The teams as first organized, to which a member have since been added, is as follows: F. D. Platt, capt. Tom Douma Lester Barnum M. G. Melser Dewey Thompson Marius Douma Forrest Peetz Carl Melzer K. Schade A. M. Young Omar Sayrs Joe Truitt T. W. Alley Alex Jackson R. J. Bruckert D. J. McLachlan Chester Seary Ben Hoekman Harry Pinkerton Walt May F. L. Burnet Ed Sargent W. C. Ross Guy Pickard J. L. Seary D. W. Niah E. H. Moore A. Phillips J. C. McKean R. B. Hoekman Geo. McDonald Roscoe Moore C. R. Belshae J. R. Morgan A. Douma Henry Barnum

Two boys were lost on the slopes of Mount Hood last Saturday, having separated from their companions while trying stunts. One was found Tuesday, almost dead from exposure. Hope for the second boy being found alive has about ended.

After boasting to a deputy game warden that they had killed 49 bucks, loes and fawns since the closing of the deer hunting season, members of the Thompson family, resort owners on the McKenzie river, were rounded up and given fines totaling \$2100, according to word reaching Ed Averil, state game warden, from his officers at Eugene, Tuesday.

J. C. McKean made a business trip to Metolius last Sunday where he purchased the banking fixtures of the recently closed bank at that place included in the purchase by Mr. McKean were office chairs, desks and tables, steel filing cabinets and a steel safety deposit box unit.

F. B. Ingalls of Dufur, president, and H. B. Pinkerton of Moro, secretary, of the Eastern Oregon Wheat League, last week dispatched a telegram to Senator Chas. L. McNary at Washington in which was conveyed the endorsement of the wheat league of the new measure, introduced in congress this session by a stabilizing national wheat price is being sought.

Word was received in Moro Tuesday afternoon of the death of Mrs. L. W. Rakes of Rufus at the Mid-Columbia hospital at The Dalles last Monday evening following a slight operation performed last Friday. Death is said to have been caused by other-pneumonia, contracted because of the operation.

Informational and service lectures by 15 departments of Oregon Agricultural college headline the second term bill from KOAC, broadcasting station of the college.

BRIEF LOCAL NEWS

Paragraphs on County and Community Events

George Hennagin returned this week from Portland, driving a new Cadillac seven passenger sedan.

Mrs. Idabelle Hunter and daughter Bonnie Jean are visiting at the Robt. Urquhart home from Oroville, Washington.

Wm. Morrison returned Sunday evening from a visit at Medford with his daughter, Mrs. L. N. Huls, and of Corvallis with Mrs. Estella Dillinger.

E. W. Hastings and family returned Sunday afternoon from Vancouver, Washington, where they had visited with relatives during the holiday season.

Miss Cora M. Talley of Louisville, Kentucky, and J. W. Eaton of Wasco, were married in the Methodist parsonage at The Dalles Monday afternoon.

W. S. Powell and wife drove to Biggs last Sunday morning in company with their daughter Opal who took the train there on her journey back to college.

Daisey Howell, expert accountant from Canyon City, Oregon, is in the county this week for the purpose of experting the books and accounts of the county officials.

Mrs. L. V. Moore drove to Biggs on Tuesday in company with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Woods, who were leaving Moro that day for a visit with relatives at Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Miller drove to Biggs last Sunday where they saw their daughter-Ione and son Vernon embark on the train on their return to resume student activities at college.

A marriage license was issued by G. C. Akers, county clerk of Sherman county, last Friday, December 31, to Hildred M. Zell, son of C. M. Zell of The Dalles, and Gladys M. Armond of Wasco.

A. M. Zevely is at Monmouth, where he is attending the state normal school and taking special instruction. During his absence the affairs of the county school superintendent are being taken care of by Mrs. Zevely.

Reward for return of a new 2 x 4 Pan-Pacific balloon tire mounted on rim. Lost last Sunday on the highway between Wasco and Grass Valley; Rutledge, Hay Canyon and Gorman school. Finder leave at Schadewitz garage.

R. M. Fletcher, nephew of Mrs. Wheelon and cousin of Mrs. W. C. Bryant, was visiting in Moro, this week on his way home to Coberg, Oregon, from Bend, where he had been visiting a daughter during the holidays.

Leo Moore left here last Sunday morning in his Dodge coupe for Eugene to resume his student activities at the university. He took with him as passengers Darold Belshae and his sister Linnie Belshae, also students at the university.

Vic Barr last week installed an Atwater-Kent radio set at his farm home west of Moro. The set is an 8-tube machine and with it Victor says he is easily enabled to pick up Chicago, Pittsburg and intermediate broadcasting stations.

J. A. Sansberry terminated his lease of the Moro hotel property the evening of December 31 and left the next day by auto for Arlington. Until other arrangements are made, George A. Williams will be in charge of the management of the hotel for the city.

Elfin Ross was released from custody last Friday evening by Sheriff Chrisman, three residents of Wasco and five residents of Moro having qualified as bondsmen. The amount of the bonds is \$5000. The case will now go over until the regular term of circuit court next May.

Ninety-nine friends and neighbors attended a housewarming party at the Hans Thompson home east of Moro last Saturday evening. Dancng by the young folks in the old home and other amusements provided for the older people in the new residence quickly made the time pass pleasantly for all those attending.

St. Johns day will be observed by members of Moro Masonic lodge on Sunday, January 23, with special service at Moro Methodist church. Lodge members from Grass Valley and Wasco will also attend in a body. All Masons and their wives are especially invited to attend. Rev. D. H. Leach, high Mason of Salem, Oregon, will preach the sermon.

The radio set recently installed at the Johnson farm, through joint purchase by Mrs. G. Johnson, Mrs. John Eva and Mr. Eya is proving a source of delightful entertainment each evening. Chicago, Pittsburg, and other eastern broadcasting stations are heard distinctly and it is thought that New York was heard the other evening for a short period.

Rev. Henry G. Hanson read formal notice of his resignation as pastor of the Presbyterian church at Moro at the close of the service last Sunday morning. The resignation is to be effective February 1. Mr. Hanson has accepted a call as pastor of the Presbyterian church at Woodburn, Oregon, and a community church at Bethel, adjacent to Woodburn.

LYCEUM LECTURER COMING

Third Lyceum Feature to Be Here January 13

Few indeed are the platform features more remarkable or unique than Wherahiko Rawei, Polynesia's most gifted native story-teller, art and music portrayer, who is to appear here on Thursday evening, January 13, at the Legion Community hall.

His appearance is something quite out of the ordinary. It is not a travogue in any sense of the word, rather it is a living picture of Polynesian life, in the person of one who has lived it and knows it all by experience through and through.

Rawei sets before you the arts of craftsmanship, customs, beliefs and musical talents of the native Polynesians, from the ranks of whom he sprang under Christian culture to his enviable position.

He appears in the native costumes and these are marvels of primitive beauty. Throughout the recital, he ingeniously creates the very atmosphere of the South Seas, and reproduces the captivating music and spiritual melodies of the Paradise of the Pacific, making his a program most delightfully different from all others.

This recital overflows with oratory, wit, humor and pathos, all blended in a finished entertainment classic, that also possesses fine educational value to the student of world affairs. Rawei is an entertainer who is making a big contribution to a broader and more general culture.

Mr. Rawei is one of the uniformly successful Lyceum attractions. Bundreds of press comments attest the excellence of his entertainment, and committee reports are invariably tremendously enthusiastic.

WHEN THE PHONE WAS YOUNG

The first telephone subscriber in Oyster Bay, Long Island, Andrew Snouder, died this past summer. He was the proprietor of the Corner Drugstore, and it was in his store that Oyster Bay's first telephone was installed during the year 1885.

When the late Theodore Roosevelt was running for governor of New York state in 1898, the telephone had not yet come into such general use as it has today, and even the Roosevelt home at Sagamore Hill was without a telephone. However, during the campaign, there were many messages that were sent to the republican candidate by telephone.

These usually were received by Mr. Snouder at the drugstore and were relayed by him to Colonel Roosevelt at Sagamore Hill the messages being carried by Arthur Snouder, son of the drugstore proprietor.

AN UNPARALLELED GROWTH

The electric light has just passed its forty-seventh birthday. Think of it! Forty-seven years ago there were no electric lights. Thomas Edison's first lamps were not much like the Edison Mazda of today.

For many years the electric light was enjoyed by but a few; it was too expensive for the masses. Today it is the cheapest kind of light. Its cost is so insignificant in the family budget that it is hardly considered.

From nothing to over 7 1/2 billion dollars invested, is the record of less than half a century of electric development. Single plants are now being built in the east, middle west and on the Pacific coast which develop hundreds of thousands of horsepower.

To shut off electric lights today would jeopardize health and destroy commercial activity in the nation. Mr. Edison, at 84, has taken part in the growth of an industry from the beginning as probably no other man has ever been privileged to do.

Mrs. G. A. Williams and two children returned last Sunday afternoon from Pilot Rock, Oregon, where she has been visiting with relatives.

The large number of passengers that wanted to come to Moro last Sunday afternoon caused the stage management to put on an extra coach as far as Moro.

The Union Pacific railway system has made application to the Oregon public service commission for permission to put on a line of auto passenger stages between Portland and Pendleton. If the permit is granted by the commission, service will start within three months say the railroad officials.

Two stages each day from each terminal in the plan, with the local train between The Dalles and Pendleton to be discontinued. If the railroad stage line is started it will mean that the stage company now operating will be "bucked" out of business.

Word first coming to Sherman county from the state highway engineer office stated that the Sherman highway would be oiled as far south as Shaniko. Now it is said that a change has been made and the highway will only be oiled as far as Moro and that a part of Wasco county will be oiled with the funds that was to have been used in Sherman county.

The highway in this county is much older than the highway in Wasco county and will not stand the traffic next summer unless taken care of as first planned. Parties living south of Moro and county officers in a position to speak for the county as a whole should remonstrate against the change of plan.

MORO CHURCH NEWS

Notes of Interest to All Denominations

Presbyterian Church Notices.

Next Sunday morning at the close of the morning service in the Presbyterian church a congregational meeting will be held to take action on the dissolution of the pastoral relation between Rev. Henry G. Hanson and the church, and such other matters as may come as a result of such dissolution. This refers especially to a pulpit committee who will look for another pastor for the church.

The evening service next Sunday will be held in the Presbyterian church, Mr. Hanson preaching the sermon.

Next Friday, January 14, Dr. Locke of Hunan, China, will speak in the Presbyterian church at 7:30 p. m. He will also address the Women's Missionary society of the Presbyterian church in the afternoon. On account of his coming the women have arranged to hold the meeting earlier in the month to get the special inspiration he can give. He comes to us a speaker of note, and one conversant with the turmoil in China and the political and religious problems connected with that turmoil. Everybody is invited to hear him.

Moro Methodist Church

Services at the Methodist church next Sunday will be at the usual hours. Mrs. R. A. Feenstra will begin a series of sermons on some of the outstanding teachings of Jesus. A Sunday school board meeting is called at the close of the morning service.

In Jesus Christ and in Him alone can we find salvation both for time and eternity, both individually and socially. "Come unto Me all ye that labor and are heavy laden and I will give you rest."

R. A. Feenstra, pastor

Grass Valley Methodist Church

Sunday school regularly at 10 a. m. Preaching service at 11 a. m. Epworth League at 7 p. m. You are welcome.

R. A. Feenstra, pastor.

Christian Science Announcements

Christian Science services are held every Sunday morning at 11:00 o'clock, and on Wednesday evening at 8:00 o'clock. The Wednesday evening 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, together with all other authorized Christian Science literature may be read, borrowed, or purchased.

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.

STATE TAX LEVY SHORT

A state tax of \$7,447,561.80 has been levied by the state tax commission to cover state expenses for the year 1927. This amount comes within the six per cent limitation law, is less by \$246,731.01 than the levy for 1926, and is short \$932,837.80 of the amount needed to run the state government for the year 1927 and makes no allowance for any appropriations that may be made by the state legislature. Of the amount to be paid by counties this year the portion assigned to Sherman county will be \$67,750.47. Last year the amount was \$67,008.54. Multnomah county pays the largest amount of any Oregon county, \$2,702,563.78. The next largest will be Clackamas county with a payment of \$340,517.42.

LONG DISTANCE BUSINESS

A San Francisco steel broker recently closed a business transaction involving \$300,000 by long distance telephone from San Francisco to Havana, Cuba, while his competitor, who thought he had stolen a march on him was hurrying across the continent to close the deal in person. This broker had previously closed a most satisfactory deal with New York by long distance telephone, and when he heard that his competitor was half way to Cuba he decided to call up his party in Havana, and in exactly nine minutes he succeeded in clinching a deal involving almost one-third of a million dollars. When his competitor reached Cuba, confident in the belief that he had out-witted his rival, he found that the latter had beaten him to it by long distance telephone, and the long trip, therefore, of about 5,000 miles had been made in vain.

The usual monthly social for January will be held at the home of Mrs. J. C. McKean next Wednesday afternoon by the Dorcas society.

Just Look Back Five Years YESTERDAY—TODAY TOMORROW Suppose you had saved one-quarter of what you made, what a nice sum you would have. If you will but make up your mind to live on three-quarters of your earnings and put the other fourth in the bank the dollars will pile up surprisingly. THINK IT OVER Bank of Moro

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