

Moro Theatre

J. B. Sparks
Manager

Manager Sparks of the Moro Theatre is starting a midweek show for the benefit of business people who, on account of being open on Saturday night, have been unable to see the Saturday night shows.

This Thursday was the first program to be presented under the new arrangement. He also expects to run another night or two after the busy harvest season is over and school starts.

The new Victor Autophonic has arrived and was used for the first time Thursday. This new instrument gives a perfect reproduction of the real pipe organ with the new Victor autophonic pipe-organ records, as well as giving an entirely different tone to the popular jazz records.

Please remember that all shows start promptly at 8:15. Try and be there on time as you cannot enjoy the show to the fullest extent unless you are in your seat before the feature starts at 8:15. By being there by this time you can see the complete show as the news and comedy will always be repeated.

Greatest Single Factor

We hear a lot of talk about how the radio, the telephone, and the moving picture have lessened the distance between the big cities and the smaller towns and rural communities. The greatest single factor in this development of the smaller city and town is not given proper credit, and that factor is the home newspaper. Just stop for a moment and compare our home newspapers with what they were a dozen or so years ago. You will find that the change is astounding. Even in the very small towns the home newspaper is now a thriving, up-to-date institution with metropolitan airs. Through its outside news connection it keeps the people in touch with the very latest thought and the latest customs throughout the nation. And by its local efforts it encourages progress and good citizenship at home. Give, therefore, the home newspaper its share of credit for lessening the gap between the home town and the metropolis.—Coldwater (Kan.) Talesman.

An important hearing was had in Portland this week before examiners for the Interstate Commerce Commission relative to railroad rates for the transportation of livestock in the northwest. The growers of Idaho and Montana are the chief complainants, with those of Oregon and Washington watching the issue closely. A great amount of testimony was submitted by the shippers on one side and the railroads on the other.

Misery loves company, but not any more than happiness does.

Many a seemingly successful man owes it all to his wife's father.

Pioneer Church Days

Bright Memories of Early Days in Sherman County

Mrs. J. F. Belabee's talk at DeMoss, at the Sunday school rally meeting, on pioneer Sunday school work brought to me many memories of our early days in Sherman county. The day we met to organize our Sunday school there were two men there who had been Sunday school workers. They declined to act as superintendents of our school. Grandfather Belabee because of his age, and my father because of his imperfect hearing. So I did my little best in that office until Mr. Robert J. Ginn became a worker in our school, and our superintendent.

For the first month we had no Sunday school literature. We brought our Bibles and such hymn books as we had. Mrs. Willerton was kind enough to let us have the use of her organ, as well as her house, until our schoolhouse was built.

One Saturday Rev. Josiah Bowersox came to our home, and father and my brothers called on the neighbors—not by telephone, but on horseback—and let them know that there would be preaching at Wheat's schoolhouse, in the canyon below the Wheat homestead, on Sunday morning, and in the afternoon at Jack's schoolhouse southeast of what is now Klondike. We went to both schoolhouses, not in an automobile over paved roads, but with horses and a wagon, across country.

Monday morning as Rev. Bowersox was leaving he asked if he could send us some Sunday school literature. I wondered if we could pay for it, for we had not even taken a collection up to that time. Money in those days was one of the things the most of us had the least of. However we ordered three months' supply of literature and few know that my good mother paid for it.

From that time on we had regular collections and found many willing helpers. I shall always have a warm spot in my heart for my co-workers in that little Sunday school. Sometimes Mrs. Willerton's sisters and brother drove out from Wasco and helped. If we had not much money we had no movies or jazz to spend it on. We had plenty of hard work and the ability to make our own amusements.

We played baseball afternoons in summer and evenings in winter we debated, declaimed, and sang at the schoolhouses. That was better than movies, because we had to study and cultivate our memories.

Our first winter in Sherman county came a deep snow in February. Father got out his carpenter tools and made snowshoes and we were out over the drifts and coasting down hill. Soon some of the neighbors did likewise. Many a tumble we got. Most of our neighbors were bachelors, but across the canyon from our home was the home of Mrs. Anne McDonald. There sister and I went on snowshoes to visit her daughters Elizabeth and Mary.

Our first 4th of July father got up the horses and we all went to Poplar Grove, some twenty miles or more, to celebrate. There we first heard the DeMoss family—father, mother, three daughters and two sons—sing. Later we walked over the hills to the Badger postoffice, now known as DeMoss Springs, where young George DeMoss led a house full of youngsters in singing school.

Sometimes mother sent me on horseback, with butter, to the one small store in Moro, now the Sherman County Observer printing office. Tom McBride was clerk there at that time. I only remember one house there, Mrs. Barnum's, where now lives Arthur Phillips. There I first met Mrs. Barnum. Sometimes, on my way home I stopped at Mrs. Bound's homestead, now the H. W. Strong place below Moro. I could relate other things of those days; many comic, some tragic, but I only wish to say that should there ever be a memorial window in Sherman county for church workers it should have on it the name of Rev. J. M. Morrison. No other one person rode as many miles or preached as many sermons in the early Sherman county days as he. He spread the gospel from Hay Canyon to Kent. "Lest we forget."

Harriet Niah.

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Kitchen scissors may be used for cutting up chicken, shredding lettuce, chopping raisins, and marshmallows. Rub the blades and the fingers with a little butter when preparing sticky food.

Painting the lower cellar stair white avoids fear of the first misstep.

Is a "New" Mattress "Clean"

Every good mattress should fulfill the following requirements: it must be sanitary, clean, free from filth, oil, vermin, and the possibility of disease transmission; it should be firm and level and yet elastic enough to be springy, and it should be made of proper material to retain its elasticity and shape. While the last two requirements are important it may be seen that the one most in need of attention is that dealing with sanitation.

How can a purchaser know whether the material is clean on the inside of the mattress? Appearance may point toward cleanliness, yet the practice of unscrupulous dealers and manufacturers who cover used material with fresh ticks and sell the resulting product as new, naturally raises the question.

Old, discarded mattresses frequently form a considerable part of the business of junk dealers. They dispose of such material to a mattress renovating plant where covers are removed, the contents reworked and new covers used. In many of these establishments no attempt is made at sterilization of this material which may have been discarded from hospitals or other places where communicable diseases existed. They are then sold to the unsuspecting purchaser as new mattresses.

Reputable manufacturers have long tried to control this evil, but it is a difficult situation. The state of Oregon enacted a law in 1923 providing that all used and contaminated material must be thoroughly cleaned and sterilized before being offered for sale. The goods must bear a special yellow tag giving name and address of firm doing the sterilizing and the date of sterilization. In 1927 the law was amended to comply with the model law of conformity with recommendations of the Better Bedding Alliance of America. This model law includes in addition to bedding, overstuffed furniture. The enforcement of this law will protect the public from infection that might be transmitted by second-hand articles of bedding and upholstery.

Penalties for the violation of the bedding and upholstery law apply to the person selling or offering for sale renovated or remade bedding materials that have not been sterilized.

The law also provides that all bedding sold shall be labeled to show its true contents whether it is new or has been remade or renovated. Funds for the administration of this law including inspection are derived from the sale of tags to the manufacturer, which they are required to affix to each piece of bedding put out. These tags are obtainable from the State Board of Health.

Many problems of sanitation are encountered in the use of mattresses. Through long use mattresses become soiled and dirty and need cleaning. This is particularly true of the older mattresses, the tufts giving an ideal collecting place for dust and dirt. Newer mattresses are made by securely joining separate rolls or compartments of mattress material. Second-hand mattresses are frequently infected with vermin, and once these insects become established they can be eradicated only by disinfection with an insecticide, as well as a bactericide.

The role of insects in disease transmission is well known and the extraordinary vitality of bed vermin which enables them to live for extended periods under the most adverse conditions is conducive to the spread of disease.

The greatest danger lies in the cheaper mattresses. The apparent monetary saving is due to the fact that the cheaper mattresses are filled with old clothing ground to a fibrous condition but not cleaned, or old stuffings from a mattress some one else has thrown away.

The health problem involved by common use of second-hand bedding is a problem that the State Board of Health is facing. The new act concerning bedding and upholstery has been a necessary for the protection of the public health.

Small Communities Develop

Just as the country towns and smaller cities hold the preponderance of newspaper circulation in the nation, so the thousands of smaller industries of these towns hold the preponderance of payrolls and general production, except in a few highly specialized industries, remarks the Pantagraph, of Bloomington, Illinois.

This remarkable industrial growth has taken place largely within the past twenty-five years, and has been concurrent with the far-reaching development of electrical power and distribution. Large power plants at central points are linked to far remote places, to smaller towns and even to the open country regions. All this tends to result in men employed in industry being able more and more to find homes where they can have more of the comforts of life than they could in the congested centers of the great cities. Electricity contributes to the recreational facilities of smaller communities, and tied up with the auto and radio, its younger brothers, provide all the advantages of the large city to the country dwellers.

The industrial output of smaller cities and "country towns" is gradually surpassing in volume the output of the great centers of population.

Wind Causes Heavy Losses

Wasco County Agent Daigh Claims Huge Loss by Wheat Shattering

Fifteen to twenty per cent of the grain has shattered out on the ground on ranches in Wasco county, where some of the heaviest yields were in prospect a week ago. Most of the shattering naturally takes place in the ripest grain but the discouraging feature is that considerable grain is on the ground in fields which will not be ready to harvest for at least another week.

This discovery was made by Wasco County Agent C. W. Daigh in company with E. H. Matheny, Frank Emerson, and George Oharr when an inspection was made of a field of Regal, the first smut-proof variety grown in that county, and which was planted on the Oharr ranch last fall. This field is not ripe enough to thresh but at least 15 or 20 per cent of it is on the ground. This variety was immediately condemned as not being desirable for this reason. However, adjacent fields of Turkey red on the same ranch and on the W. C. Kortge ranch showed an unusual amount of shattering, probably 10 to 15 per cent at this time.

This same condition was also found on the Emerson and Petroff ranches where grain was showing signs of maturity. Some grain is lost each year on the south and west slopes but this year an unprecedented amount has been lost wherever the wind hits it.

The Hybrid field on the Emerson ranch which has been showing up so well this spring will not be ready to harvest for another week, but there is enough grain on the ground now to seed a new crop. An inspection was made of the Hybrid field on the C. L. Look ranch across the road, one of the best fields in the county, and it is estimated that at least 10 per cent of this grain is shattered.

The Davis brothers on Eight-Mile report an unusual loss from shattering in their fall-sown Federation. There was considerable shattering on the same ground two years ago but much more this year. L. F. Hill also reports considerable grain on the ground on his Eight-Mile ranch.

This is a condition which is not altogether unexpected, Daigh explained. The wheat kernels are unusually plump and this has loosened up the chaff. The heavy winds of the last week are largely responsible for the rather discouraging outlook at the present time. This grain on the ground is a total loss. None of the varieties mentioned are as bad to shatter as other varieties which are sometimes produced.

Frank Emerson estimates that if wind and weather conditions do not become more favorable there will be a 50 per cent loss in some fields before they can be harvested.

This information is not being released simply to offset the publicity of unusual bumper crops in the northwest, which have reduced the price of northwest export wheat 7 cents below the middle-western domestic price, caused the Chicago market to drop 1 cent in a day and increase the price of wheat sacks 2 cents; but is a simple statement of facts which has not been exaggerated and which anyone can verify, Daigh declared.

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Yakima	6.60	11.60	Redmond	3.80	6.70
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