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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 invited to meet with us.
By order of W. M. Robt. Urquhart, Secretary.

Bethlehem Chapter No. 78 O. E. S.
Moro, Oregon
Regular communications each 2nd and 4th Thursday evenings of each month.
Ella Thompson
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.
A. R. Kessinger, N. G.
A. M. Young, Secretary

Lupine Rebecca Lodge No. 118
Moro, Oregon
Meets 2d and 4th Tuesdays of each month. Visiting members welcome.
Ora Peetz, N. G.
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American Legion
Meets at I. O. O. F. hall on 2nd and 4th Wednesday evenings of each month.
W. H. Williams, Commander
A. M. Zevely, Adjutant

NOTICE OF LEGAL TIME FOR SETTING OUT FIRES WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF MORO, OREGON.

Section 16 of Ordinance No. 37, of the City of Moro, Oregon.
No person shall set out any fire, or set fire to or burn any papers, rags, shavings, refuse matter of any kind, rubbish or any combustible matter whatever, in or upon any yard, garden, street, alley, sidewalk, park or public place, or upon any unoccupied or open space upon any lots within the city limits except between the hours of 7 o'clock a. m. and 8 o'clock a. m.
And it shall be the duty of every person who shall set out any such fire or burn any papers, rags, shavings, refuse matter, rubbish or combustibles between the hours above limited to effectually extinguish such fire before the expiration of the time so designated.
Published by order of the City Council of the City of Moro, Oregon.
G. A. WILLIAMS,
City Marshal.

Roy Says "Thank You"

The Sherman County Observer has been asked by Roy Powell to voice his appreciation of the active assistance extended last week in fighting the wheat field fire on his farm near Moro that resulted in the burning of approximately 150 acres of standing grain. Roy said that he deeply appreciates the work that was done by everyone who was at the fire.
Mr. Powell also said that the insurance company has made a very satisfactory adjustment of the loss. The basis of the settlement was \$1.11 per bushel for 42 bushels an acre on 150 acres that were burned. The part of the field that was saved from the fire has harvested 42 bushel an acre, the amount the grain was insured for.

A woman's idea of a good conversationalist is a man who can think of something to say when she pauses for a second to regain her breath.

Roaches live in colonies. If you see one you know there are many. Roaches are loathsome vermin. Prolific breeders. There are medical authorities who declare seventeen different diseases including cancer are transmitted by roaches. Roaches must be killed. Spray Fly-Tox into cracks, crevices, around water pipes, faucets and other plumbing. Simple instructions on each bottle (blue label) for killing roaches and ALL household insects. Insist on Fly-Tox. It is the scientific insecticide developed at Mellon Institute of Industrial Research by Rex Fellowship. Fly-Tox is safe, stainless, fragrant, sure. Easy to use.



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Birthday Dinner Party

The dining room of Hotel Moro was the scene of a very pleasant evening, August 6th, the occasion being the birthday anniversary of Manager Larimore.

Mr. Larimore was taken completely by surprise when his head waitress, Miss Naomi Young, called him into the dining room to find seated at a table, the Honorable Mayor, N. W. Thompson and wife and Mr. C. B. Graham and a vacant chair for Mr. Larimore. The table was profusely decorated with flowers furnished by Mrs. J. C. Freeman. A most sumptuous dinner was served under the direction of Chef Monty Redman and Head Waitress Naomi Young.

Mr. Larimore was the recipient of many handsome presents from the invited guests and employees of the hotel and was taken so completely by surprise that he could only find words enough to quietly thank the donors.

Big Annual Harvest Ball

The big annual harvest ball to be given at Grass Valley Saturday, August 13th, promises to be a big affair with special music by Spark's Merry Makers, special Electrical Moonlight effects, a Big Supper at midnight, Red Lemonade N' everything.

From all advance indications, there will be dance fans from The Dalles on the north to Madras on the south; from Condon on the east and Maupin and Tygh Valley on the west. So if you like to meet the bunch from every section within a 75 mile radius, follow the crowd to Grass Valley Saturday night August 13th. This IS GONNA BE A WOW!

Fire Destroys Big Barn

About 8:30 Wednesday evening the entire interior of the big barn on the Damon place, farmed by Clarence Sparling, was discovered to be blazing fiercely and within a few minutes was a total loss, including about 20 ton of new hay and a wagon stored within the barn.

Mr. Sparling had that afternoon finished harvesting on the Damon place and had moved to the Dave Ransier farm. The crew were just setting down to supper, after getting the outfit ready for work the next morning, when the blaze was discovered.

Just how the fire started is a mystery, as no one had been near the barn since noon of the day of the fire. Jim Kinney had passed close to the barn about ten minutes before the fire was discovered and at that time there was no sign of any fire. It is thought that a transient harvest hand had set the fire while fixing a place to sleep.

There was no insurance on the building or contents. Mr. Sparling said that the building was about half filled with hay and that the hay was good and dry when placed in the barn.

Uniform Traffic Laws

Uniform traffic laws for pedestrian and driver should be adopted throughout the United States. In one state where records show that for every thousand automobiles in the state, one person is killed each year and seven injured, there is a loss of more than \$100,000,000 a year traceable to street and highway accidents.

As long as one city has one set of traffic laws while the next city has different regulations, there will be a heavy traffic toll. With the great amount of tourist traffic, uniform laws should not be confined to the cities of a single state, but should be adopted by all states.

In no field is there such conspicuous waste of both time and life as that caused by accidents on our streets and highways. Realizing the importance of the movement to prevent automobile accidents, politicians have hit upon the idea of compulsory automobile liability insurance which in theory, would "pay" for accidents after they have happened. The idea does not seem to work out as well as it sounds on paper. And even if it did, compensation is not nearly so important as prevention of accidents.

Enactment of uniform traffic regulations throughout the country, and their enforcement, would probably do more than anything else to curb automobile accidents.

De Moss Park is becoming known to the motor traveling public of many states because of the pleasant camping facilities of the park. During June 410 registered at the Park and 249 registered during July. Places from outside of the county represented by those who registered were South Dakota, St. Louis, Portland, Washburn, Washington, Garden City, California, Albany, New York, Eugene, Corvallis, Hood River, Cottage Grove, The Dalles, and Battle Ground Washington.

Mrs. C. V. Belknap entertained at dinner at the Belknap home Tuesday evening in honor of the birthday anniversary of Mr. Belknap. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Belknap, Mrs. Hazel Woods, Miss Signa Woods, Edward Sargent and G. A. Meloy.

BRIEF LOCAL NEWS

Paragraphs on County and Community Events

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Omar Sayrs on Wednesday, August 10th.

Mrs. R. A. Feenstra entertained the Grass Valley and Moro Ladies Aid societies at her home on Thursday afternoon.

Dan McLachlan Sr. is expected to visit Sherman county this week, on his annual harvest visit to his children.

Lester Barnum accepted delivery this week of a carbide gas light plant for use on the E. E. Barnum farm southeast of Moro.

O. A. Ramsey and crew of men are busy this week building the new addition to the racehorse barn at the county fair grounds.

Postmaster Geo. E. Bourhill was confined to his home Wednesday and Thursday of this week by an attack of sciatic rheumatism.

Lee McGinnus was a visitor at Moro last Sunday from Corvallis, making the trip to look after his father's wheat crop interests on lands east of Moro.

F. E. Fagan and family drove up from McMinnville Saturday to visit at the A. M. Young home in this city. Mr. Fagan is now located in McMinnville, where he is superintendent of the city schools.

E. T. Strong was driving his recently purchased new Buick sedan last Sunday. Motor owners who gave the car an inspection united in voting that the new Buick is a car anyone would be glad to operate.

A new wooden water tank has been ordered by the county fair board to replace the old tank which age has rendered useless. The old timber tower will be strengthened as support for the new tank.

C. L. Powell returned to his home at Portland Monday morning. On the down trip with him was his mother, Mrs. E. J. Powell; his sister, Mrs. E. H. Moore, and Mrs. J. H. Landry.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Thompson left Tuesday on a 30-day motor trip that will take them to Portland, the ocean beach at Newport, the hot springs at Belknap, and Camp Sherman, before returning here in September.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Adams and daughter drove to Portland early Sunday morning. Mr. Adams returned Monday. Mrs. Adams and daughter will visit with relatives for the next week.

E. R. Barzee, who has been under medical treatment at Portland, was able to return home last Saturday. He will report at the hospital at definite periods until his health has permanently improved.

Wm. Morrison returned this week from a thirty day visit to cities in eastern Oregon and Washington, visiting with relatives in Umatilla county and with his daughter at Pullman, Washington.

G. E. Lewellen and family visited in Moro last Sunday from Portland, returning Monday. Mrs. Lewellen visited with friends at Moro while Mr. Lewellen was looking after business matters connected with his farm east of Moro.

R. C. Byers and family drove into Gilliam county last Saturday to look after their farming lands located 28 miles south of Arlington. By making an early start, having breakfast at Arlington, they were able to return the same day.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Craig, accompanied by Mrs. Craig's parents, were visiting last week end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Woods. Mr. Craig is a nephew of Mr. Woods and is engaged in the hardware business at Vancouver, Washington.

Report says that W. C. Helyer, farming near Wilcox in south Sherman county, is harvesting 16 sack to the acre crop of turkey red wheat that is tested as fine grade grain. Parts of the field is said to have exceeded 50 bushel to the acre.

The weather at Moro turned decidedly cooler Thursday from the previous hot weather days and late in the afternoon a scattering fall of light raindrops seemed to indicate that a rain storm would probably catch some of the outfits yet in the harvest fields.

Sherman county farmers who have sacked grain in the fields ready to haul to warehouses, are complaining of the destructive work being done at night by porcupines. The animals seem to consider the sacks a substitute for tree food. Holes about six inches in diameter are eaten in the sacks with a considerable damage resulting because of spilled grain.

Newton Crossfield was a business visitor in Moro Wednesday afternoon from Wasco. Calling at the Observer office, he stated that the "Five Trojans" billed for a two day engagement at the Wasco theatre this coming Saturday and Sunday, is a popular big act vaudeville performance that will be rated highly by all who attend either performance. The company is travelling by auto from Portland to Salt Lake City with Wasco the only town they will present their act. Change of bill each night.

Wheat Prices Jump Upward

A number of local wheat raisers took advantage of the upward range of prices the first of the week to sell a large part of their wheat holdings at prices that averaged from three to four cents higher per bushel over the previous lowest price of the recent months.

The increased prices was in large part caused by news from Canada that the northern section of that country had suffered what most likely will finally be determined as a fifty per cent loss because of heavy white frost and freezing weather conditions that were reported to be as low as 22 degrees above zero.

Coupled with the news from Canada was also news from Montana that the grain in that state was not expected to make good stock feed and that it would not be good milling wheat because of the wheat kernels having been caught by the weather conditions and shriveled to below a food value point.

A further market factor was the claim advanced from eastern centers that the corn crop would be extremely light this year and that corn in parts of the corn growing sections were of varying height with no evidence of tassel growth.

News reports contradict these conditions to a large extent, while other agencies seem to confirm the reports of damage to growing crops in both Canada and the middle western states. The main tendency of the week, so far as local conditions are concerned, was that the steadily decreasing prices for wheat was checked for the time being and that the price at Moro was increased in practically one day from around \$1.11 per bushel for turkey red to \$1.15 per bushel with a reported offer made to one farmer of \$1.15 1/4 per bushel.

E. E. Barzee and wife expect to return to Newport the first of next week.

R. C. Byers and family were expected to leave this Friday for a vacation motor trip to the ocean beaches at either Ilwaco or Netarts.

Dan McLachlan finished threshing last Saturday, closing his run on the "Clare-Axtell" farm in time to move home that evening. Five hundred acres was harvested by the machine in 17 days, four hundred for McLachlan and one hundred for Axtell.

H. S. McDanel in company with Mr. and Mrs. Henry A. Moore were visiting friends and relatives in Moro this week, driving up from Portland Wednesday and returning Thursday. All three enjoyed their visit, spending part of the time strolling about Moro and bringing to mind the early day social and business life of the community of twenty odd years ago when they were residents here.

Members of the firm of Egildson Bros., Inc., Salt Lake City, operating six oil well outfits in Utah and Wyoming, in company with John G. Helmrich of The Dalles and Fred Shoemaker of Canyon City, are inspecting the John Day valley near Dayville with the purpose of drilling in search of oil. This makes the second oil seekers to employ expert geologists to examine the John Day formation for oil well sites.

A letter received this week by Mrs. L. H. Martin from her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Myles Martin, living near Lexington, gave the welcome news that the crop in Morrow county was a good one for Myles. A total of 5500 sacks of wheat was harvested from off 600 acres, including 130 acres that had to be reseeded lightly last spring. Myles' and his older son are now busy hauling, using a new Chevrolet truck.

Lloyd Junkins, a former resident of Sherman county who at one time farmed the Meloy place south of Moro, is harvesting this year in Sherman county from his home at Portland. Junkins says conditions are changed in the harvest fields of Sherman county over those of 25 years ago, when all work was done with headers and stationary threshers in place of the numerous combine harvesters that can be seen in practically every wheat field surrounding Moro.

A. M. Young received word Sunday of the death of his oldest sister, Mrs. A. J. Johnson, age 59, at the family home at Corvallis, occurring at 10 o'clock that morning. Mrs. Johnson was the daughter of Nathan Young who came to Oregon from his Minnesota farm in 1876. She is survived by Mr. Johnson, prominent banker and financier and former representative of Benton county in the state legislature, and five children who make their home at Corvallis.

Experts believe that 90 per cent of all fires could be prevented, and that the remaining 10 per cent are controllable.

In making their own wheels go round, the railroads influence the wheels of all other industry.

The first meeting of the Sherman County Band will be on Sunday, August 21, at 2:00 o'clock p. m., sharp, at Moro in the High School. Every handman should come, bring his instrument, and music, and get other music and instructions for practice for the Sherman County Fair. By order of committee.

MORO CHURCH NEWS

Notes of Interest to All Denominations

Moro Methodist Church
Sunday school at 10 a. m. Morning services at 11 a. m. Mrs. R. A. Feenstra will preach.
Evening union service at 8 p. m. Sermon by the pastor.
Everybody is cordially invited, especially the stranger.
R. A. Feenstra, pastor.

On Sunday, August 21 at 3 p. m. Rev. R. A. Feenstra will preach at the Gorman schoolhouse.

Christian Science Announcements

The subject for the lesson-sermon at the morning service will be "Soul." The golden text is Psalms 116:7.
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.

New Road To Portland

The Dufur Dispatch this last week stated that the Mount Hood loop-Dufur forest service cut-off road by way of Wapinitia is progressing rapidly, and is now completed to a point about 2 1/2 miles west of Bottle prairie on the east of Dog river and about six miles from the starting point north of Government Camp. A car was driven over the new road for the entire distance recently, at which time it was found that the road bed was in good condition. The grade is an easy one and can be made without difficulty in high gear.

The Dispatch stated that the new road will shorten the distance to Government Camp about 40 miles and will prove a popular highway route into Portland for residents of south Wasco and Sherman counties. The shortest route from Sherman county to reach the new road is by way of Grass Valley, Shearer Bridge and Tygh Valley.

New Chain Grocery Stores

A cooperative buying arrangement entered into between a pioneer wholesale grocery firm of Portland, and a large number of privately owned retail groceries in Portland, western Oregon and southern Washington, will result in the opening within a few days of a string of cooperative stores to be known as the red and white chain stores.

The stores will remain privately owned but through the arrangement will buy cooperatively and will be able to meet the competition prices of the corporation owned chain stores, it was announced.

Tractors Aid Road Building

Whether it was the auto that forced good roads, or good roads that made possible the auto, is of small consequence. Certainly both are here. The United States has more than 20,000,000 autos—one for 12 times the world average of one to sixty-six.

In addition to building thousands of miles of new road annually, which can be done only by using modern tractors and road equipment, the United States is salvaging and reconstructing thousands of miles of worn-out macadam, gravel, cement concrete, and asphalt roads by resurfacing the old base with a waterproof course of asphaltic concrete.

Citizens Use More Current

In the United States the per capita use of electricity has increased nearly 70 per cent in the past eight years, according to a report recently compiled by the U. S. geological survey. Our per capita consumption in 1919 was 371 kilowatt-hours, and in 1926 it has risen to 627 kilowatt hours. This increased consumption has been increased by a yearly rise of the country's per capita use of current in which, since 1919, there appears but one drop. New York state with a per capita use of nearly 1,000 kilowatt-hours, continues to hold the lead over all other states.

Must Check Fire Loss

No nation, however rich, can afford a sheer waste of over half a billion dollars a year. This sum represents the annual direct property loss from fire in the United States, but it by no means tells the whole story. It does not take into account the cost of maintaining firefighting forces, or the direct loss in wages, profits, custom and good will which comes from interruption of business. The grand annual total of the American fire loss results from the delusion which we cherish about insurance. We believe that insurance pays for fire. It does not, and it never can. It distributes fire losses, but it cannot recreate buildings or goods that have been reduced to ashes.

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

Hotel Moro

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Special Sunday Dinner, 75c — 12 noon to 1:30 p. m.

Sunday, August 14, 1927

MENU

Chicken-Rice-Tomatoe Soup

Ripe Olives and Beet Pickles

Baked Chicken with Dressing

Roast Prime Ribs of Beef, Brown Gravy

Roast Mutton with New Peas

Cold Roast Pork and Apple Sauce

Mashed Potatoes. New String Beans

Celery and Apple Salad.

Sliced Tomatoes-Mayonnaise

Apple or Gooseberry pie a la mode

Pumpkin or Coconut pie

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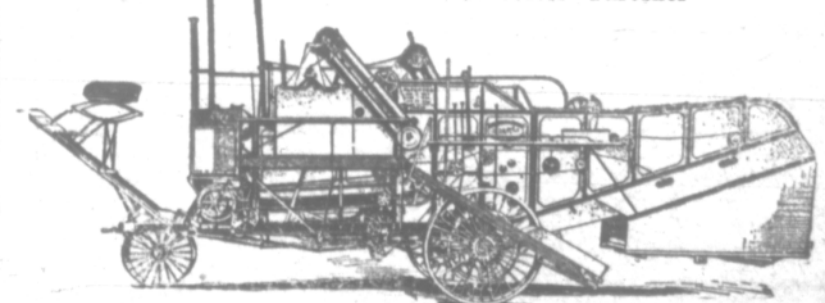
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Harvester Thresher



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