

## 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 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.  
Alice Conlee, Worthy Matron  
Nana Barnes, Secretary.

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Moro, Oregon  
Meets every Monday evening in the I. O. O. F. hall. Transient and visiting brothers are cordially invited to meet with us.  
Geo. McDonald, N. G.  
A. M. Young, Secretary.

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Meets 2d and 4th Tuesday evenings of each month. Visiting members welcome.  
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**Chris Schultz Post No. 71**  
American Legion  
Meets at I. O. O. F. hall on 2nd and 4th Wednesday evenings of each month.  
F. D. Platt, Commander  
L. W. Rakes, Adjutant

**HARLAND VIEW GRANGE No. 682**  
Meets in their hall in Harmony District the second and fourth Thursday nights of each month. Visiting Grangers welcome.  
Wilford Belabe, Master.  
C. E. Crites, Secretary.

## Tractor School at Moro

Of interest to the farmers of Sherman county is the Rumely farm machinery school sponsored by C. H. Larson of Moro, agent for Sherman county, and Tipton & Manchester of The Dalles, agents for Wasco county, that is to be held at Moro Legion Hall all day January 14th with dinner served at noon by Harland View Grange.

For a number of years the Rumely company has been staging schools of this nature, but in the past they have been held in the larger cities. However, through the efforts of Mr. Larson, agent for Sherman county, assisted by Tipton & Manchester, agents for Wasco county, the Rumely company officials consented to send their men and five miles of movie films to Moro for the purpose of holding a farm machinery school jointly for both counties.

A wonderful short course in the operating, adjusting, repairing, design and construction of power farming machinery will be given. Five miles of thrilling, interesting movie film, synchronized with lectures, clearly explain to you every inside working part; tell you how to diagnose trouble and correct it, how to eliminate delays, avoid costly mistakes and produce bigger and better crops at less cost. Three thousand feet of the films which will be shown were taken in Sherman county, a large part last season.

At the close of the farm machinery school, twenty-five prizes, consisting of 25 one gallon cans of oil of the value of \$25, will be awarded by Messrs. Larson and Tipton to farmers attending the sessions.

There will be three sessions of the school on the date mentioned above the first will be in the morning, the second in the afternoon and the third at night. Both lectures and movies are free to all those who wish to attend.

Dinner will be served at noon by Harland View grange, the proceeds to be applied towards their new building.

See me for anything wanted in harness work or shoe repairs at the Moro harness shop. John H. Will.

The sawmill division of the Milton Box company has closed for the winter.

Four golden pheasants and four English ringnecked of the pheasant species have been placed in the aviary in Lithia park, Ashland.

Louis W. Hill, railroad and timber man, has given permission to the Skyliners of Bend to use land near Sisters for winter sports.

According to the school census, just completed, there are 3478 pupils in the Medford school district, an increase of 244 over the number last year.

Umpqua valley turkey growers will be paid more than \$110,000 for 17 carloads of turkeys recently sold on consignment at 32 to 42 cents a pound.

Lostine was visited by another fire recently when the home of J. H. Jackson burned. Everything was lost, the family escaping in their nightclothes.

Copper ore has been found in Curry county, W. C. Purdin having taken into Port Orford a sample he secured from a large lode at the headwaters of Elk creek.

Physicians of Tillamook are cooperating with school officials in an effort to stop the spread of the mumps by assisting in the enforcement of a strict quarantine.

Attachments filed against the Leeper Dome Oil company near Sutherland have succeeded in closing down the plant and no drilling has been done for several weeks.

The McMinnville fire department has presented the city with a \$3500 ambulance. Ernest Grenfell, chief of Portland's fire department, made the presentation speech.

Twenty service stations and auto camps are doing business in Albany, according to a count made by the city health officer in his investigation of sanitary conditions.

Mrs. G. E. Loughlin, first postmistress at Lostine, serving from 1879 to 1888, and the woman who named the town, died last week at her home in Baker, aged 91 years.

Residents of the Dead Indian district in Jackson county are petitioning the county court for a road from Emigrant Dam to a junction with the Klamath Falls-Ashland highway.

J. P. Holland, well known resident of Baker county, was badly injured recently when his horse fell with him at McEwan, the saddle horn striking Mr. Holland in the chest.

A dividend aggregating \$64,000 was paid recently to the 8485 members of the Farmers' Cooperative Creamery company at Ontario. The 1928 butter record is 4,000,000 pounds.

The Oregon Packing company's pickling plant at Woodburn expects to start contracting cucumbers soon. It is expected the acreage will be doubled this coming season.

E. J. Tucker, janitor at the city hall in Salem, received an unusual Christmas surprise. When he opened his mail Christmas morning he found a check for approximately \$8000.

The city of Warrenton, at a resale held in the county courthouse recently, bid in some 55 acres of land inside the pierhead lines of the Columbia river, paying \$1 an acre for the tract.

Crop revenues from the Medford irrigation district increased from \$1,388,700 in 1924 to \$1,702,417 in 1928, according to the annual report of E. J. Leach, manager of the district.

## Town Talk

Mrs. George Rehman is reported to be on the local sick list this week. Mrs. O. N. Ruggles was a visitor in Moro on Wednesday from Grass Valley.

Gail Amidon, who has been seriously ill with pneumonia, is reported much better.

John H. Will, harness and shoe repair man, has rented the Eddy house on Main street.

Miss Mary Smith of Moro this week submitted to a major operation at the Mid-Columbia hospital.

Milo Meloy and family, residing near Sheridan, were visitors in Moro during the holiday season.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Wilson of Rufus at a hospital in The Dalles on New Year Day.

Mrs. K. Schade was a visitor here this week from The Dalles at the home of her sister, Mrs. O. E. Hulse.

Heavy rains at numerous times this past week has materially increased the recorded amount to a near normal total.

A. E. Moretz, former Sherman county resident now living at Free-water, was visiting this week at the W. C. Miller home.

Cecil Gragg, visiting here at the home of his parents during the holidays, has returned to Albany college where he continues with his studies.

The combs of chickens, especially of roosters, are highly valued as a delicacy in certain parts of Europe. As much as \$1.50 a pound is paid for them.

A. S. Johnson has finished drilling a well on the Oehman place near Rufus and is now preparing to move his outfit to the W. A. Tate farm operated by Claud Costa.

Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Pinkerton are in Portland where Mr. Pinkerton is under medical care at the Coffey Clinic for ear trouble, the result of a cold in the head.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. McClure of Wasco are the proud parents of a 6 1/2 pound daughter, born December 29th at St. Vincent's Hospital, Portland. She has been named Jean Helen.

As usual, Sheriff Hugh Chrisman in his report to the county court showed tax collections for the year totalling 100% of the amount of the current tax roll. Part of this is for past taxes and interest.

Chas. L. Powell left Portland January 3rd in the capacity of guard assisting Lorn Cochran, federal deputy marshal, in the return of a prisoner from Oregon to North Carolina to stand trial on a white slave charge.

Mrs. Dan Smith and daughter Catherine of Hoople, N. D., who have been spending the winter months with her son, Dr. Geo. Smith of Pilot Rock, are now visiting, since last Thursday, with her sister-in-law, Mrs. Geo. A. Williams.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Pinkerton entertained at dinner Wednesday evening in honor of Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Searcy. Guests present were: Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Johnston, Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Maas, Mr. and Mrs. Truman Strong, Dewey Thompson and family and M. G. Melzer and family.

Paul Parklow, said to formerly reside near Klondike, was arrested in Grass Valley this week on a charge of liquor possession and 112 bottles of beer were confiscated by the arresting officers. Parklow pleaded guilty to the charge in the justice court at Moro and was fined \$150 and \$5 costs.

Plenty of water was struck on the old Reid place, owned by Mrs. Wm. Oehman, last month said A. S. Johnson recently when in the office of the Sherman County Observer. He has the well cased and is waiting for the windmill parts to arrive so he can finish his work. The new well will greatly assist H. H. Brackett, who farms the place, in his yearly farm work.

## Shearer Grange Elects

At the last regular meeting of Shearer Grange officers elected for the new year were: Roy Tiller, master; W. B. Wilcox Jr., overseer; Karl Eaton, lecturer; John Brown, steward; Fred Peetz, assistant steward; Mrs. Lucy Ruggles, chaplain; Mrs. Joe Newcomb, treasurer; Mrs. Wm. Nelson, secretary; Dewey Snider, gate keeper; Mrs. Pauline Wilcox, Ceres; Mrs. Ethel Tiller, Pomona; Evelyn Nelson, Flora; Mrs. Delia Shipley, lady assistant steward; Mrs. Louise Eaton, chairman Home Economics committee; Mrs. Ethel Clodfelter, organist.

Shearer Grange has concluded arrangement to move their hall from its present location to what is known as the Reckman corner. The new location is four miles southwest of Grass Valley and is on the recently completed paved market road.

Moro shoe and harness shop, formerly owned by Arthur Phillips, is again open for business. John H. Will.

We can fit all kinds of people. Any size or weight. Crippled or deformed feet. Wernmark's Shoe Store, The Dalles.

Lost—Plain round black leather hat box somewhere between Biggs and Bend. Finder leave at Observer office for reward.

Lost—An all white fuzzy puppy dog with black and brown spots on its head. Reward for return to Mrs. Roy Thompson, Moro postoffice.

Local hunters signed up for the annual competitive hunt held by Moro each year are expected to choose sides and elect their captains before the week closes.

Lost—Small package, by mistake put in a Buick car in front of Moro Confectionery on Saturday, December 22. Please return to Truitt's Barber Shop, Moro.

For Sale—Creek ranch of 800 acres in Morrow county. Creek bottom under ditch; nearly all place fenced sheep-tight; comfortable buildings with running water in house; small orchard. Address Box 43, Heppner, Oregon.

C. H. Larson left here by auto on Thursday for Salem where he will attend the annual session of the Oregon Fox Breeders association to be held this weekend in the Salem chamber of commerce rooms. Mr. Larson is a member of the board of directors. He is also on the program to speak on "Sale of Breeding Stock vs. Pelts."

Miss Kelly, special traveling representative for the Pacific Power and Light Co., was the principal speaker at the meeting of the Moro Women's Club on Friday afternoon, when a Hotpoint electric range, Thor washing machine, General Electric refrigerator, and several smaller electrical units to illustrate her talk on Electrical Appliances for the Home.

A gain of 250 in population in Lakeview was noted during the year 1928. The increase brings the total to 2298 for the city and the county population is now in excess of 5300. While Lakeview has been gaining steadily since 1920, the county has suffered a slump and is now lower than the population in 1920, although during the last two years indications are that it is on the up-grade again.

Production of lumber in Oregon decreased 10 per cent last year, according to figures prepared by the census bureau in conjunction with the forest service, showing a decrease from 4,454,735 board feet in 1926 to 3,992,853 board feet in 1927. The number of operating mills in the same time dropped from 399 to 369. The decline in production in Oregon was the largest of any of the large lumber producing states, with the exception of Louisiana and Mississippi.

## NOTICE

American Legion skating at the hall every Tuesday night from 8 to 10 and Sundays from 2:30 to 5 p. m.

## CHURCHES

**Presbyterian Church**  
Sunday School at the usual 10 o'clock hour.

Services next Sunday both morning and evening conducted by Dr. E. Benson. The theme for the morning discourse will be "The Spiritualization of Life." The theme for the evening will be "The burden bearers of Humanity."

There will be a congregational meeting at the close of the morning service to officially affirm the election of Rev. C. D. Parrott as pastor of the church. He was informally elected to that office two weeks ago.

**Moro Methodist Church**

Sunday:  
Come, let's help one another to realize more fully the ideals of Jesus. 10:00 a. m. Sunday School. 11:15 a. m. Morning Worship. Topic: "Give Me Time."

7:30 p. m. Evening Worship. Topic: to be announced.

Wednesday:  
7:30 p. m. Prayer service at the Parsonage.  
John Seethoff, pastor. Phone 353.

**Christian Science**

Service Sunday morning at 11 o'clock and Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock. Sunday School at 10 o'clock each Sunday morning, pupils up to the age of 20 years are received into these classes.

The lesson-sermon topic for the service next Sunday morning will be "God."

Reading room open daily where all authorized Christian Science literature may be read, borrowed or purchased. The public is cordially invited to attend the church services and visit the reading room.

**Full Gospel Assembly**

Bible study Sunday 10:00 a. m. Preaching service 11:00 a. m. Evening service 7:45. All are welcome. J. D. Miller, pastor.

Harness and shoe shop in Moro now open for business. John H. Will.

John Arnold, for 12 years city commissioner at Astoria, will retire to private life January 1. During his long service he has missed only one council meeting, and that was due to illness.

Forty men are engaged in the Tillamook Head region of Clatsop county planting Sitka spruce trees on 300 acres of logged-off land belonging to the Crown-Willamette Paper company.

Christmas business at Medford's postoffice has broken all records. It was announced by Postmaster Warner that all mail that arrived by 9 o'clock Monday night was delivered by midnight.

State Traffic Officer G. H. Hoxsie has been stationed at Grants Pass to take the position left vacant by the resignation of Officer Howard. Officer Herb Moore is now stationed at Medford.

Joe Dhooge, well known trapper, collected bounties aggregating \$63 from Clackamas county recently when he brought into Molalla one coyote, 10 bobcats and four cougar pelts. The state will pay him an additional \$100 for the cougars.

Taxes aggregating \$1,266,388.11 have been levied in Clackamas county for 1929, according to a statement prepared by the county court, acting as the tax levying board. The taxes for 1928 amounted to \$1,265,359.50, a difference of \$928.61.

## Would Curtail The Output

The Oregon Grange Bulletin complains that a Portland evening paper is doing the dairy business a great injury by a series of articles extolling the virtues of Oregon as a dairy state, and proceeds thus: "State Master Palmer and several other delegates to the National Grange voiced the opinion that any great expansion of the dairy industry would lead to disaster, because production at present is almost equal to consumption, and any great increase in the output of butter or cheese would mean a lowering of the prices received by the dairymen. Why will metropolitan newspapers, chambers of commerce and other city organizations continually endeavor to increase agricultural production when they know that what the farmer is today suffering from is an over-production in nearly every line of farm activity?"

## Wheat Acreage Condition

The acreage sown to wheat this fall in Oregon is given as 889,000 acres, a 3 per cent increase over last year, but the condition of the crop on December 1st was 85%, while a year ago it was 98%. In Washington, the acreage is 1,318,000, a decrease of 126,000 acres, from 1927, and the condition is 70%, against 95% last year. In Idaho, the acreage is 518,000, an increase of 33,000 acres, the condition being 86%, against 98% last year. The acreage in the whole United States is 43,228,000, about 8.6% less than 1927, and the condition on December 1st was 84.4%, the ten-year average being 84.6%. Shortage of moisture in eastern Oregon the past fall may result in the necessity for reseeding considerable ground.

### Keep A Record With Your Checks

MAKE at least one good resolution this year — resolve to pay your bills by Check. By doing so you will have a complete record of all money spent as well as a legal receipt for all payments made.

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THEY ARE GOING TO INSTALL WARNING BELLS IN THE NEW MOVIE HOUSES TO RING THREE MINUTES BEFORE THE LIGHTS GO UP TO CHASE THE LAMBS TO REPLACE THEIR HEADS ON THEIR OWN SHOULDERS.



**LATEST EGYPTIAN RELICS BROUGHT TO UNITED STATES**  
New relics of Egypt's ancient civilization, brought back by Prof. George A. Reisner, head of the Boston-Harvard archaeological expedition that uncovered sarcophagus of Princess Nebti-Seneferu, 5,000 years old, near Great Pyramid of Gizeh. The two heads at the feet of the statues are the most prized of this collection; that at the left is beautifully carved of alabaster; at the right, of wood.