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HARLAND VIEW GRANGE No. 682

Dancing Each Week

The dancing public will be pleased to know that arrangements have been made by the American Legion posts of Moro, Wasco and Grass Valley to have a dance at one of the three towns each Friday night.

Brings Social Development

In spite of the steady increase in recent years in the amount of electricity produced in the United States, the number of generating stations in operation is 543 less than in 1920, according to the United States Geological Survey.

An electric company can adequately serve a single community only when it can reach a large closely settled population. In sparsely settled sections, the area served must be sufficiently large to overcome the smallness of the population.

The result of this system is shown in an important agricultural state. Fifteen years ago a public utility investment company acquired nine plants in as many small towns and connected them into a unified system.

Previously, 46 of these towns had no electric service and many of them would have none today if they still were forced to depend on local plants. Of those which had electricity, 33 had only night service, and the remaining communities were served by small plants with limited facilities and at a high cost.

Industrial decentralization, farm electrification and social development of small communities are to a great extent the result of uniform distribution of electricity.

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

The woman with brown eyes or red hair will find brown, green or black most becoming and therefore most suitable.

Every automobile seller claims to feature the biggest feature of his particular car, but the biggest feature in any car is its depreciation, which no seller seems to mention.

BILL THE BARBER SAYS A scientist says that every new thought that enters your mind makes a crease in it. Maybe that accounts for the wise cracks one makes.

Will Be Home Soon

Friends of the family will be pleased to know that Miss Cecil Cothran will probably be permitted to return home from the hospital this coming weekend. She has been steadily, but very slowly improving since she regained consciousness.

Her return home to Moro has coupled with it a very strong order from her doctor that no one will be permitted to call at the home or see her until such future time as they think it best to modify this order.

Mr. Cothran has asked the Sherman County Observer to state this order of the doctors in as pleasant a way as possible and yet have it plainly understood that on compliance with this order will depend the more rapid recovery to health of the patient. A possibility that all true friends of the family very much desire.

In this regard it is well to state that phone calls asking about the patient is regarded by the doctors as of very bad taste, to say the least. Many patients are prevented from recovering as quickly as their physical condition warrants by the fact that friends call over the phone and thereby create a discussion that the patient cannot fail to overhear with many times disastrous results to the patient and the family.

Just the fact that Miss Cecil is allowed to return home speaks volumes as to her present condition and all true friends of the family will take the doctors order literally and abide by it.

New Library Books

The Moro Library has received a set of forty-nine books from the State Library which may be kept for a period of six months. It is hoped that library patrons will avail themselves of the opportunity to use them. The titles and authors follow.

"High Acres," Abbott; "Across Seven Seas to Seven Continents," Aitchison and Uttley; "Bobbie, a Great Collie," Alexander; "When I was a Boy in Armenia," Alexanian; "King of the Wilderness," Allen; "The Blue Window," Bailey; "Little Black Sambo," Bannerman; "Edge of the Jungle," Beebe; "What Books can do for You," Bennett; "Cross Trails," Bindloss; "Drums," Boyd; "Farm Life Abroad," Branson; "Ancient Times," Breasted; "Science Remaking the World," Caldwell; "The Castle of the Hawk," Cather; "Alaska," Curwood; "Thinkers and Doers," Darrow; "Belshazzar," Davis; "A Riddle Book for Silent Reading," Dootson; "Cattle Ranch to College," Doubleday; "Makers of Freedom," Eddy; "Year in the Wonderland of Birds," Hawksworth; "How Other People Travel," Headley; "Child's History of the World," Hillmyer; "Hunchback of Notre Dame," Hugo; "Rugged Water," Lincoln; "Caravans of Commerce," Marcossion; "On to Oregon," Morrow; "Hari, the Jungle Lad," Mukerji; "First Lessons in Nature Study," Patch; "Men of Iron," Pyle; "Gipsy Nan," Rankin; "Bardelys the Magnificent," Sabatini; "The Universe of Stars," Shapley and Payne; "American Etiquette," Shubert; "The Book of the United States," Singmaster; "Becky Landers, Frontier Warrior," Skinner; "Annetje and Her Family," Smith; "Kak, the Copper Eskimo," Stefanson and Irwin; "Northward Ho," Stefanson; "The Scarlet Cochere," Sublette; "Magnificent Ambersons," Tarkington; "Beyond Khyber Pass," Thomas; "Silver Pennies," Thompson; "Japan, Korea and Formosa," Tjeltjens; "Michael Strogoff," Verne; "Captains All," Wetjen; "Cousin Jane," Wilson; "Bill the Conqueror," Wodehouse.

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

Contrary to local street talk, hunters engaged in the annual sparrow hunt in this vicinity report that very few birds can be found in wheat warehouses. They seem to congregate to a large extent in barns and chicken houses because of the heat from the animals housed in those places.

A meeting of the Moro Rifle Club has been called by the president, L. W. Rakes, to meet at Joe Trutt's shop at 8 p. m. Thursday night, January 17. The meeting is for the purpose of considering proposed legislation dealing with a paid game warden for Sherman county, an open season on pheasants, quail, etc., and the limitation of hunting near the Columbia river.

A group of three farmers drove over from Gilliam county on Wednesday in search of some odd farm equipment. They made the trip by way of Cottonwood grade, which they reported to be in good condition but needed careful driving because of the ice under the top covering of thawed mud. Their running boards had a thick layer of soft mud on them when they drove into Moro about 2 p. m.

A reception was held Wednesday evening at the Presbyterian church to welcome to Moro Rev. Chas. D. Parrott, Mrs. Parrott and their daughter Mary Louise. Following a brief program and an informal social hour, refreshments consisting of coffee, cake and brick ice-cream were served. Rev. Parrott comes to Moro from the Kenilworth Presbyterian church at Portland, from which pastorate he recently resigned to become identified with church work in Sherman county.

Town Talk

W. M. Ross and son Howard spent Sunday in The Dalles.

John H. Will, Moro, prompt attention given to your shoe and harness repair work.

Mrs. Percy Thompson, who has been quite ill with a severe case of flu, is much better.

Mrs. George Hannagin Thursday evening entertained at cards the Past Grand Club and their husbands.

Mrs. W. M. Ross, who is a patient in the Mid-Columbia at The Dalles, is reported to be much improved.

Ellsworth Woods of Milton was visiting in Moro last weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Woods.

Attorney C. L. Pepper of The Dalles was in Moro on Wednesday on legal business concerning his clients.

Mrs. Roy Belshoe of Wasco is a patient at Mid-Columbia hospital, very ill with nervous conditions induced by asthma.

E. R. Barzee delivered 25 head of Hampshire sheep to Dell Eakin at Moro on Thursday. Mr. Barzee retains part of his band.

B. L. Fieck of Klondike, who has been under medical care at Mid-Columbia hospital, was permitted to return home last week.

Work wanted by a man familiar with farm work, willing to work for room and board until spring work starts. Call or write Observer office.

Members of Kent, Shearer and Harland View granges met at Grass Valley Monday in an all-day session to install the elected officers of the three granges.

Ben Hockman and Fred Pickett left here this week for Portland, returning Wednesday with new model Ford cars for Jodie Morrison and Ben Hockman.

Miss Mary Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Smith, who has been under medical care at the Mid-Columbia hospital, was last week permitted to return to her home near Moro.

E. E. Larimore, manager of Hotel Moro, was just about able to take care of business affairs Wednesday, recent sickness having caused a successive painful attack of backache.

A number of the local huntsmen engaged in the annual contest now in full swing in the locality, spent the larger part of Wednesday engaged in a hunt for rabbits in the central part of Gilliam county.

The Woman's Missionary Society of the Presbyterian church will meet at Mrs. W. H. Ragsdale's on Wednesday, January 23, 1929. Mrs. C. V. Belknap will be the director, with National Missions the topic to be studied.

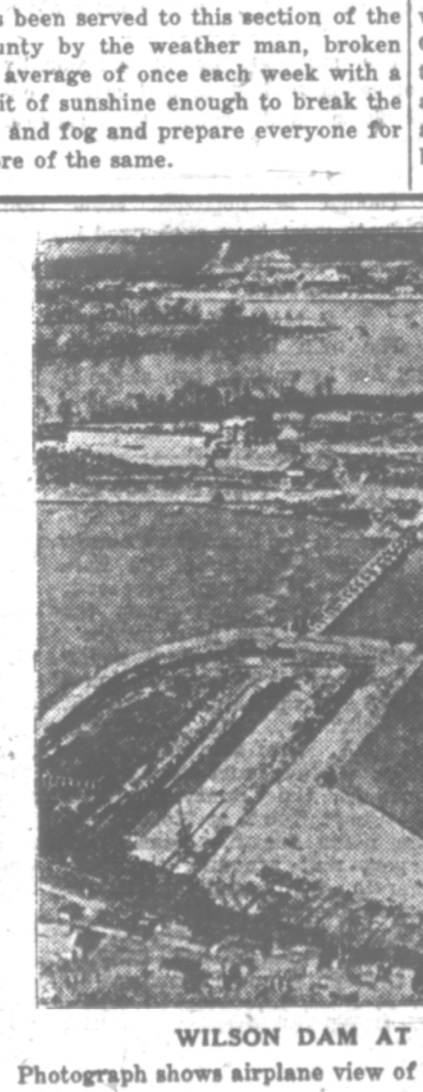
For Sale—Creek ranch of 800 acres in Morrow county. Creek bottom under ditch; nearly all place fenced sheep-tight; comfortable buildings with running water in house; small orchard. Address Box 43, Heppner, Oregon.

A group of bird hunters visited the W. J. Martin farm Tuesday night and harvested 55 birds from the rafters of his chicken house. Leaving there they visited the L. H. Martin farm close by and bagged the same number from that chicken house.

Names added to the list of local huntsmen engaged in the annual bird hunting contest at Moro since the list was published last week include C. H. Larson and Geo. Meloy Jr. on the Thompson side and Lewis McKee and Chester Searcy on the Rakes side.

The new school building, finished this year by Harmony district, east of Moro, will be used by the pupils and teachers for the first time when school starts on Monday, January 28. The new building embodies several new features in its arrangement and equipment.

Fog and low hanging clouds overhead, frost in large clusters on trees and fences, and ice coated sidewalks and highways seem to be about all the winter that will visit Moro this season. For more than a month this has been served to this section of the county by the weather man, broken an average of once each week with a visit of sunshine enough to break the ice and fog and prepare everyone for more of the same.



WILSON DAM AT MUSCLE SHOALS Photograph shows airplane view of the Wilson Dam at Muscle Shoals.

The Rumely Tractor School

A large crowd, estimated at more than 200 people, attended the lectures and movie picture demonstrations of the use of tractor power and combine harvesters on the farm given at the Moro Legion hall on Monday by factory representatives of the Rumely Harvester Co. assisted by C. H. Larson of Moro, agent for the company for Sherman county, and by Mr. Tipton, of Tipton & Manchester, The Dalles, agents for the company for Wasco county.

The moving pictures of the industrial plants of the company were a revelation as to size and capacity for the work of manufacturing the tractors and harvesters sold by the company.

The audience were taken through all phases of work done in the manufacture of the machines and these were exceptionally clear and well presented. All the views were of great educational value, even to those who did not operate machines made by the company. The views of the factory were only a part of the pictures shown, which included scenes from the Cheyenne, Wyoming, round-up, airplane views of the country between Spokane and Walla Walla, the Snake and Umatilla rivers, and of actual harvesting by Rumely combine machines in Sherman, Gilliam and other counties of eastern Oregon and Washington.

All who attended were invited to register their names for a chance at the drawing for cans of oil, given as prizes by the company to those who attended. Those who were successful are: J. W. Owens, W. H. Todd, Jennie Martin, Roscoe Roberts, L. A. Olds, A. T. Holt, J. U. Leonard, W. J. Martin, A. Douma, Mrs. Chas. Bulard, Floyd Douglas, C. P. Adams, S. E. Aken, Harold D. Eakin, Carl Gregg, R. J. Bruchert, W. S. Powell, Art Justesen, Wilford Belshoe, W. E. Nicholls, O. C. Brooks, R. Abel, Robt. Belshoe, H. B. Belshoe, Dorothy Belshoe.

Dinner and supper were served by members of the Home Economics committee of Harland View grange.

New Lodge Hall Dedicated

The Masonic-Pythian hall recently built in Wasco was dedicated Tuesday night by the Worshipful Grand Master of Oregon and his staff in an impressive ceremony before an audience of about 350 Masons.

The Dalles, Arlington, Moro, Antelope, Dufur, Grass Valley and Portland had delegations attending. The hall was sufficiently large to accommodate the crowd. The Eastern Star members of Wasco served a very fine lunch at midnight.

Some very fine talks were given. The different delegations had speakers, who told the history of their lodges. Some interesting facts were brought out. Robert Urquhart of Moro gave the history of the local lodge in an appropriate manner.

The new hall at Wasco is paid for. It belongs to the Masonic and Pythian lodges of Wasco.

Real Road Service

Road engineers are constantly adopting more practical methods to secure the greatest mileage of suitable road at the least expense, according to statement of B. E. Gray of West Virginia State Road Commission. Mr. Gray says building of roads "is a direct challenge to the highway engineer of today."

"It is no particular trick to build a \$50,000 per mile road where all materials are available of the best; it simply requires attention to details in carrying out the specifications to produce a satisfactory road, but where funds are limited, where the need is great, and where a satisfactory road can be produced for three or four or five thousand dollars per mile which gives entire satisfaction to traveling public, then I believe the engineer performs a real service."

"I know of no material which lends itself to work of this nature as well as asphalt. There is a grade for every need, and I believe that we are just beginning to find out the infinite variety of uses to which it may be put, and that several years from now, we will be obtaining satisfactory surfaces at low cost, from materials which have not been formerly included in specifications."

Railroads And Prosperity

In the eight years that have elapsed since the federal government returned control of the railroads to private hands, the principal lines have spent the record sum of over six billion dollars in providing improvements.

The result has been seen directly in better, faster, more efficient and more comfortable freight and passenger transportation. The railroads have steadily improved their service, until at the present time we have the finest railroad facilities in the world.

The indirect result of this vast expenditure is not so easily perceived, but it is of equal, if not greater, magnitude. It is the significant contribution of our railroads to our general prosperity.

For shops, houses, machinery, tools, steel and copper, and other supplies, the lines have spent a tremendous sum that has been reflected by better conditions in our entire industrial life.

If our railroads prosper and progress there will be general prosperity and progress. If they languish and retrench, a blow is struck at employment and progress. For purely selfish reasons, it is to the advantage of every citizen that in the future the railroads go steadily ahead as they have in the past.

CHURCHES

Presbyterian Church—Sunday School at 10 a. m. Morning Worship at 11 a. m. Sermon theme: "The greatest Question in the World." Evening Service at 7:30 p. m. Sermon theme: "Profit and Loss." The highest motive in church-going is to get in tune with the Infinite. Come in that spirit and let us worship God together. Chas. D. Parrott, Pastor.

Moro Methodist Church—Sunday: Keep your fears to yourself, but share your courage with others. —Stevenson.

10:00 a. m. Sunday School. 11:15 a. m. Morning Worship. Topic: "Out of . . . Beauty, God . . ."

6:30 p. m. Epworth League. Miss Palmrose in charge. 7:30 p. m. Evening Worship. Topic: "A Study of the Great Commission." 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 "Life." 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. and 7:45 p. m. Studies in "Revelations" every Thursday evening. All are welcome to the services. J. D. Miller, pastor.

Play Date Changed

Because of the new arrangement by the three American Legion posts of Moro, Wasco and Grass Valley, whereby each post sponsors a dance in their town every third Friday night, it has been necessary to postpone the advertised date of Friday, February 1st, to Tuesday, February 5th. All tickets sold hold good for the change in date to Tuesday, February 5th.

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. BANK OF MORO

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