

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.

Sethlehem Chapter No. 76 O. E. S. Moro, Oregon Regular communications each 2nd and 4th Thursday evenings of each month. Alice Conlee 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. P. C. Axtell, N. G. A. M. Young, Secretary.

Lupine Rebecca Lodge No. 116 Moro, Oregon Meets 2d and 4th Tuesdays of each month. Visiting members welcome. Beattie Axtell, N. G. Jessie Henrichs, Sec.

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. C. P. Adams, Master. Mrs. B. E. Davis, Secretary.

WANT ADS

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

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.

WE PAY parcel post one way on all shoe repairing. Good quality work and leather. Joe Amore, The Dalles, opposite the post office.

Applied Business Methods

A special communication to the Christian Science Monitor says:

"Improved methods have enabled Baltimore, Maryland, to increase its collections from 79.92 per cent of its assessed taxes in 1923 to 95.79 per cent in 1928, following the organization of the Bureau of Receipts by the Efficiency and Economy Commission. Working in conjunction with the bureau's modernized auditing and billing department, tax collections have steadily increased through the employment of a discount allowed for prompt payment of taxes and by a gradually increased rate of interest with penalties for those who fail to pay after a reasonable length of time. The system, by making it greatly to taxpayers' advantage to pay their tax bills within the year, is in this way also helping to keep the tax rate low.

"When the commission set out to reorganize the municipal government on a business basis, they found records of uncollected taxes to the amount of \$11,000,000.

"As soon as the Bureau of Receipts was organized and began operating, most of this money began pouring into the treasury, and a noticeable reduction in the tax rate resulted."

It should be stated that this remarkable improvement in Baltimore's governmental affairs was the result of choosing as members of the Efficiency and Economy commission, a leading executive from each of nearly a score of the city's largest industrial, business and transportation corporations. These gentlemen were given a free hand to reorganize the city's methods of doing business and place them on a basis comparable to a well managed private corporation. The results have been astounding and strikingly illustrates the difference between the usual political methods employed in the management of public affairs and the methods of successful private industries when applied to the same public problems.

National honor! what wars have been committed in thy name.

So live that the attempt to travel incognito will be a failure.

Two heads are better than one, particularly on a slide-show calf.

Cross streets and cross words are the greatest puzzles of the times.

Among the war weapons that become more and more terrible is oratory.

In Utopia there are no court-houses, of course. So no one agitates a new courthouse.

Some plays are so long that auditors take luncheon to the theater. Folding beds may next be introduced.

Rebecca Convention

The annual Rebecca convention of district No. 21 was held at Wasco the afternoon and evening of March 18, with Marian Rebecca lodge No. 127 as hostess. The convention opened at 7:30 with the officers of Marian lodge in the chairs, after which they surrendered their chairs to the officers of the convention, who were Marian Medler of Marian 127, chairman; Anna Wilson, Wheatland 183, vice chairman; Lena Brock, Marian 127, secretary-treasurer. State President Sister Peruzzi and all of the district deputy presidents were introduced and welcomed.

The address of welcome was given by Sister Addie Fields of Marian 127 and responded to by Sister Margaret Peetz of Lupine 116. The different parts of the work was exemplified by the lodges and officers in such a way as to be a great help to all. The state president gave a very interesting talk and conducted a question box which was also interesting. The convention surrendered their chairs to Marian lodge who closed lodge for the banquet, given by the ladies of the Christian church who served a tasty repast at 6 p. m. in the banquet room of the lovely new hall of the Wasco lodges.

The evening session was opened at 7:30 by four guards seating officers of Marian lodge, it being their regular meeting night. Their order of business was proceeded with. Wheatland lodge put on the initiation work, which was very beautiful. Four new members were initiated into Marian lodge.

After installing the new officers for the convention, Marian lodge closed in due form. All present showed they had had a very enjoyable time and are looking forward to the coming year's meeting at Kent.

Make Better Citizens

Factory workers make better citizens if they can have their homes in the smaller communities, officials of the American Rolling Mills company have found.

In the less populous towns, where the company has located several of its plants, they report that a larger percentage of their employees visit the churches and voting booths than is the case in larger cities.

This is one of the advantages that has followed long distance transmission of electric power, according to George M. Verity, president of the company.

"Industrial activity," says Mr. Verity, "so far as it is influenced by the availability of power, may now be removed from the congested centers of population.

"An outworn argument for the location of industries in the so-called 'industrial centers' has been that labor is plentiful in these centers. But with that labor, industry accepts the evils of a competitive labor market, of labor living in slums and less effective in consequence, of selfishly factional local governments and of labor's disinterest in everything except wages.

"Contrast with this the advantages of the small city. In these we know the homes of our employees are brighter and more comfortable. We know that the eight hours of day remaining after work and sleep are taken out are healthier and happier. We know that recreation is diversified and largely in the out-of-doors. We know that there is a closer contact with and a greater interest in religion than in the large city. We know that social life is at its best. We know that contact of our employees with community and municipal problems is closer and their participation in the administration of local government is on a broader and less partisan basis."

Hunting-Out of Season

It is the opinion of members of the Oregon State Game Commission that education does more to curb law violations than any amount of arrests, fines and imprisonments. Wardens are instructed to talk to men known to be law violators, to reason with them and convince them that the killing of protected game birds and animals is robbery of the state of one of its most vital resources. Many of the men who hunt unlawfully or angle out of season or in closed streams cannot be curbed in their activities by constant arrests, but can be reasoned with and taught to respect the law. Some time ago a gang of boys in Portland formed the habit of breaking windows out of a school building. They were arrested and dragged into court several times only to return to their old habits. A citizen took them in hand, organized them into a club, taught them that the breaking of windows was incurring an expense which their parents had to share, that the school building was their school building and that injury to it meant loss to themselves. The plan worked. Game wardens in Oregon have tried the same plan in communities where there were a number of law violators and a remarkable degree of success has been achieved. True, there are men who persist in slaughtering game, no matter what the law may say or the neighbors may think, but those who are willing to listen to common sense soon are found co-operating with the game authorities.

Town Talk

Fred Schultz was a Portland visitor last week-end.

J. J. Wiley was visiting in Moro this week from Portland.

L. J. Davis and A. J. Decker were visitors in Moro on Wednesday from Kent.

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

Mrs. E. T. Strong submitted to an operation for goiter at The Dalles last Monday.

Lloyd Hennagan is home from the U. of O., until the spring term-end terminates next Monday.

George Hennagan has resigned as janitor for Moro school to take over spring work on his farm.

Robt. Urquhart has been appointed janitor for Moro school to succeed George Hennagan, resigned.

Aden Axtell has been engaged by L. H. Martin to take care of spring work on his farm near Moro.

Miss Ruth McClelland returned last Friday from The Dalles, where she has been under hospital care.

Clarence Hulse and Velma Powell are visiting at home this week during the U. of O. term vacation.

Folks needing shoe repairing leave work with L. R. Conlee, agent, to be sent to M. L. Fritts at Grass Valley.

Theodore Johnston was in Portland Monday, viewing the dedication of the Veterans Hospital from the side lines.

Judge J. T. Whalley accompanied by Mrs. Whalley, were visiting with their children in and near Moro last week-end.

Miss Henrietta Akers returned home last Friday, to visit with her parents during the U. of O. term-end vacation.

Mrs. Fred Cox, who has been under medical treatment at The Dalles, returned to her home at Grass Valley last Sunday.

Carl Gregg, farming east of Kent, underwent an emergency major operation at Mid-Columbia hospital last Saturday.

W. B. Johnston drove up from Salem last week-end, visiting at Moro while the friend with whom he was traveling drove on to Hermiston.

All the city surface wells are being cleaned out this week by City Engineer Henry Ruggles, using electric power and a centrifugal pump.

Foss & Co. have received a ten-gallon visible gas pump which they will install at their garage in place of an old-style pump now on duty.

The meat house on the E. H. Moore farm, including five hogs that were being smoked, was entirely destroyed by fire Saturday afternoon, March 9th.

The fourth quarterly teachers' institute for Sherman county this school term will be held at Wasco on March 30. The last quarterly institute was held at Moro on March 2.

Dave Ransier, who has been a patient at a medical clinic in Portland the past week, was operated on for diseased tonsils this Tuesday. He has been ill with neuritis for several weeks.

Orval Thompson has been nursing a sore left thumb the past two weeks, caused by a hammer hit. As a result blood poisoning infected his hand and for a while extended as far as the shoulder.

Funeral services in memory of Mrs. W. W. Nichols, who died at her home east of Moro last Friday after a period of suffering, was held Sunday afternoon from the Methodist church at Wasco.

Floyd Platt and Joe Truitt left Moro last Sunday in charge of the Chris Schultz American Legion post colors to attend the dedication ceremonies of the Veterans Hospital at Portland, held Monday.

Roe White has moved his road construction camp from the Peetz farm to permanent quarters west of Grass Valley preliminary to starting grading on the extension of the Shearer market road to be built this year.

The Wm. Morrison house was broken into Sunday night by breaking the side window of the front room. Mr. Morrison secured the services of Sheriff Chrisman and within a space of two hours all property taken had been recovered.

The gas war ended locally this week with an advance in price of six cents, made by all companies. The contracts, signed by numerous farming interests of the county, have been refused by the Standard Oil Company but are being honored by the Shell Oil company.

A large number of local people attended the formal opening of the new Granada theater in The Dalles last Saturday. The new building is an ornament to any community and speaks highly of the business faith Manager Guy Mathews has in his home city and surrounding territory.

Members of the Moro Commercial Club are privileged to invite their wives to a banquet supper to be held Wednesday, March 27, at Hotel Moro in honor of Mrs. Kate Jameson, dean of women Oregon State College. Mrs. Jameson will be traveling through Moro to Redmond, stopping here to visit and address the students of Moro High school.

Moro Woman's Club

Nina Pinkerton, press correspondent.

Thursday afternoon, March 14, was guest day at the Moro Woman's club. There were about one hundred persons attended. The meeting was held in the Masonic hall, which was prettily decorated in honor of St. Patrick's day.

The program was in charge of the better homes department, with Mrs. A. Rose as director. The speaker of the afternoon was Prof. J. Leo Fairbanks of Oregon State College, with his subject as "Art in the Home." Prof. Fairbanks gave a very fine talk, defining art as "the well-doing of anything worth doing." He told how it could be used to improve the home, its occupants, its interior, exterior and surroundings.

Miss Emmajean Stephens pleased with a piano solo and Miss Nina McCord sang two beautiful solos, accompanied by Miss Laura Urquhart on the piano.

The hostesses, Mrs. M. A. Bull, Mrs. J. F. Foss and Mrs. L. E. Kaseburg, served delicious refreshments, assisted by several of the younger ladies of the club.

Home Pointers

(From School of Home Economics)

After thoroughly sweeping and cleaning the rugs or carpets, wiping them with a cloth wrung out of diluted ammonia, will brighten the most faded floor covering.

Any linoleum floor can be made to look better by mopping it in equal parts of skim milk and warm water.

The chic American woman wears a scarf to complete her costume regardless of the time of day or occasion. The scarf is not necessarily of the same material as her dress, but a scarf which will characterize the new ensembles. Materials used are crepe de chine, chiffon, heavy crepe tied artistically in a knot or knotted thru a heavy ring of transparent crystal.

Fabrics used for sport wear are tweeds in great varieties, plain Jerseys with woven designs. Invisible checks in beige and brown and soft neutral patterns are endorsed for the jacket ensemble. For sports and semi-sports are shown large and indistinct plaids. Bright red, oxford blue, and beiges are presented for town and country coats. Irish tweeds, soft cashmere tweeds and basket weaves are suitable for travel coats and bordered tweeds for day time wear.

Stitched silk hats again are prominent in the millinery modes. Materials used are crepe, georgette and taffeta.

The Sherman County Observer was printed this week under a handicap of disabled equipment. The linotype machine was shut down from Wednesday morning until Friday noon. To put the machine again in order required the services of A. R. Bowen, Mergenthaler Linotype Company salesman and machinist, who made a special trip to Moro for the purpose. It also required an all-night drive Thursday night for C. L. Ireland, manager and editor, to go to Bend to secure extra parts that were available at the Bend Bulletin for replacement on the machine at the Sherman County Observer office.

Good family cow for sale. Lynn Bowersox, phone 27F24, Moro.

The Moro Presbyterian church Woman's Missionary society will meet next Wednesday afternoon, March 27, at the church.

For sale - Commercially packed large sizes, Jonathans, Winesaps, Grimes Golden, and Romes at 75c per box; Delicious \$1 per box; all in fine condition. M. M. Burtner, Dufur, Ore.

Lost - Heavy log chain between Moro and the Stone place, three miles north of Wasco on the Sawtooth road Wednesday, March 13. Reward for return or information. E. W. Hastings, Moro, Oregon.

Miss Signa Weeds has been appointed temporarily deputy county clerk to serve until she will leave for school next September, succeeding Mrs. Marie Hoskinson, who resigned her position as deputy county clerk about two weeks ago.

The annual congregational meeting of Moro Presbyterian church will be held at the church building on Friday evening, March 29. The meeting will be preceded by a pot-luck supper. Business to be transacted will be reports of the past year's activities and election of officers.

Morris Searcy of Moro is chairman of the committee in charge of the sixth annual trip to Portland newspaper, engraving and printing plants Friday, March 22, sponsored by the Oregon State chapter of Sigma Delta Chi, professional journalistic fraternity. Approximately forty students taking industrial journalism planned to make the trip.

Examination of students in Klamath county schools to ascertain whether the Schick test inoculation to prevent diphtheria was effective shows that in 85 per cent of the cases where the serum was given they are immune.

CHURCHES

Presbyterian Church Sunday School, 10:00 a. m. Morning Worship, 11:00 a. m. Sermon theme, "The Day of Palms." Evening Service, 7:30 p. m. Sermon theme, "Seven Words from the cross." Choir rehearsal Wednesday evening at 7:30.

A true view of the square deal would give the church a much larger place in your life plans. The church is the powerhouse of religion. Get your moral batteries recharged. See that your steering gear is in right order. Chas. D. Parrott, Pastor.

Moro Methodist Church It was just a teapot to his aunt - but a big idea to James Watt. Be not misled by any seeming littleness of things that are potentially big.

Sunday School, 10:00 a. m. Morning Worship, 11:15 a. m. Topic: "God and Man." Epworth League, 6:30 p. m. "What Happens When Christ Enters the City?" Evening Worship, 7:30 p. m. Topic: "Good Reasons and Real Reasons." Wednesday, 7:30 Prayer Service. John Seethoff, pastor. Phone 353.

Full Gospel Assembly Sunday Services as follows: Sunday School at 10:00 a. m. Sunday morning, preaching service at 11:00 a. m. Subject, "Watt-nessing." Sunday evening, preaching at 7:45 p. m. Subject, Evangelistic. J. D. and Mrs. Miller, pastors.

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 "Matter." 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.

Card of Thanks We sincerely wish to thank our many kind friends and neighbors who helped us in so many thoughtful ways bear the sorrow and loss of our wife and mother. Wharton W. Nichols and children.

Card of Thanks I am rather tardy about expressing the appreciation of which I have been thinking for some time, but I do wish to thank all my friends who were so kind and thoughtful to me during my recent confinement in the hospital.

Many thanks—but how trivial is the mere word thanks when it attempts to express my feelings about the matter—for the many beautiful floral offerings and aid of a more material sort. How often have I thought that one could travel the world over and never find lovelier or finer folks than we have right here in Sherman county. Then, too, I would like to say that I am so much better and improving so rapidly that I would be only too happy to receive as many of my friends as can spare the time from their spring work. — Cecil Cothran.

When A Town Dies When a town dies there isn't any funeral, no flowers, not even pallbearers—it just DIES.

When a town dies somebody or many somebodies have failed to administer the proper dosages of civic pep and pride.

When a town dies the mapmakers save a speck of printer's ink.

When a town dies the trains run on past it, the sidewalks revert back to their native element, the birds build nests in the town hall and the cows graze in the public park.

It's a sad and sorry thing when a town dies, for it hasn't the satisfaction even of knowing who killed it.

But when a town dies, it just dies and dies and dies, and believe us, it's a DEAD ONE.

Power Farming Urged Power farming will enable the farmer to find prosperity in the future, in the opinion of Dr. E. G. Nourse, of the Institute of Economics, Washington, D. C., a speaker at the 32nd annual farm and home week held under the auspices of the University of Illinois.

The farmer will be a business man, according to Dr. Nourse. He will use mechanical power to improve his business and he will become an active participant in community life with many contacts. By applying all the labor saving equipment available, and at the same time co-operating with fellow farmers in the sale of his produce and in financing his operations, the progressive farmer will be prosperous and successful.

EVERY ONE IS GOING TO THE Boy Scout Benefit Show and Athletic Tournament American Legion Hall Moro, Oregon Tuesday, March 26 8:00 o'clock p. m. The feature picture show, "The Patriot," will be enlivened and enhanced by stunts and athletic events to be put on by the Boy Scout Troop. Admission 25c and 50c

Ginn, Coleman & Co. Moro, Oregon Have a Carload of John Deere Implements due to arrive Including Tractors and the Latest Improved Horse and Tractor Drawn Plows, Harrows, Etc. Agents for John Deere Plow Co. Moro and Grass Valley Districts

Independent Warehouse & Milling Co. R. H. McKean, Manager, Wasco, Oregon DEALERS IN Lime, Plaster, Cement, Cedar Posts, Builders Supplies, Lumber, Wood, Coal and Hay MANUFACTURERS OF MILL FEED AND FLOUR

It Costs Four Times As Much to transport a kilowatt-hour of electricity to the light switch on your walls as it costs to make it in the power house. Keeping down the cost of distribution, is, therefore, one of the biggest problems of the light and power company. To keep down this cost, millions of dollars have been spent in the research laboratories of the electrical industry on studies of the loss of electricity through leakage, the technique of constructing underground cables, improvements in transformers and insulators and the accuracy of meters. Bookkeeping, meter reading, bill collecting, are other items entering into the cost of giving service. Improvements in the art of generating and distributing electricity are in the interest of the consumer and the company by reducing the cost and increasing consumption. ALWAYS AT YOUR SERVICE Pacific Power & Light Company Business Men Say: 'Advertising Pays'