

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.
Kate Stephens 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. Astell, N. G.
A. M. Young, Secretary.

Lupine Rebecca Lodge No. 116
Moro, Oregon
Meets 2d and 4th Tuesdays of each month. Visiting members welcome.
Bessie 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. E. E. Davis, Secretary.

Latest Scotch Story.

A superintendent of a New York state electric power company received a complaint from a Scotch consumer which we consider the best yet. During the relocation of street lamps for a new system, the lamp in front of this man's home was moved a short distance from where it had been to the center of the street. The Scotchman said he could read his newspaper by the rays of the street light shining through his front window. After the light was moved, it was necessary for him to turn the light on in the house and this cost money.

Prominent educators consider that a knowledge of business integrity, gained through reading advertisements, is an essential part of a serviceable education.

WANT ADS

Two high grade pianos in storage near Moro will sacrifice for quick sale at \$125 and \$195 - terms to suit. Your phonograph or organ taken on down payment. Free delivery. Both of these pianos are fully guaranteed and the piano at \$195 is and looks like new. To see, write Tallman Piano Store, Salem, Ore.

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

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

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

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.

Forces Are Economic

Competitive Costs Result in Rapid Consolidation

The same economic forces which are making most business larger are back of the rapid consolidation of electric power plants. Those forces can be summed up in the expression "competitive cost of doing business." And this factor is as much felt in the manner of handling publicly owned power plants as in private operations. Mass production has reduced the cost of manufacture and of distribution. While coal is costing almost twice as much per ton as it did before the great war the cost of coal for producing a unit of electricity is actually much less than it was then. In other words inventive genius has more than kept step with advancing costs of fuel and has more than offset it.

Light and power business is sometimes said to be monopolistic, but it is well known that competition is the cause of consolidation, the competition of cheap production and distribution. This is true regardless of nature of ownership.

In 1917 there were 4,224 privately owned electric plants in the United States serving 11,349 towns and cities. In 1922 the number of plants had dropped to 3,774 but the number of municipalities served had increased to 12,953. At the end of 1927 the number of plants had been reduced to 2,537 and the number of cities and towns served had jumped to 17,750.

The same forces were working on the publicly owned plants to about as marked a degree. In 1917 there were 2,318 publicly owned plants serving 2,367 towns and cities. In 1922 2,581 plants served 2,940 towns and cities, while in 1927 there were only 2,030 publicly owned plants in the country and these served 2,250 towns and cities.

Fred Schultz spent the last weekend visiting with friends at White Salmon.

Mrs. D. E. Stephens left Moro Thursday to visit with her mother at Ogden, Utah.

The usual Dorcas Society social for April will be next Wednesday, April 10th, at the home of Mrs. L. L. Peetz.

Dr. Clark, eyesight specialist of Portland will be at Hotel Moro all day next Wednesday, April 10th. Anyone needing glasses should not fail to call and see him.

A marriage license was issued Wednesday by G. C. Akers, county clerk, to Earl Owen Douglas and Rose Ethel Myles, both of The Dalles. The couple were married the same day by Justice of the Peace R. J. Ginn.

Mrs. Harry Kunsman and daughter Marjorie left here Thursday for The Dalles where they will spend the weekend visiting with Mr. Kunsman who, reports say, is recovering nicely from an emergency operation for gastric ulcer of the stomach.

E. R. Hickson resigned the first of the week as deputy county sheriff and will shortly move to Portland. Falling eyesight made the move imperative under orders from his doctor. Sheriff Hugh Chrisman has appointed Lester Nahouse of Grass Valley deputy to succeed Mr. Hickson, effective April 8th.

A. H. Mayhew, in charge of the state biological work of exterminating coyotes in Sherman county the past winter, moved this week to Dufur where he will continue that work in Wasco county. Since starting work in Sherman county, he is credited with having killed more than one hundred coyotes.

John Anson Kunhs, grandson of Anson Woods, accompanied his grandfather and mother, Mrs. Faith Kunhs, to Moro last weekend for an indefinite visit from their home at Walla Walla.

County Notes

KENT LOCAL ITEMS

Wilbur Haggerty came home from Portland last week driving a Willys-Knight car that he bought there.

Frank Morrow was here from Wasco Monday demonstrating the new Chevrolet, and looking for buyers.

J. C. Hartley was here the first of the week looking after some business matters. He is now located near Jefferson.

Several from here expect to meet with the county court this week on business regarding the club work at the county fair.

Dewey Thompson field man for the assessors office was here over night Monday, and is working this end of the county this week.

The Kent High School boys went to Wasco Monday and won a baseball game by the score of 9 to 8. They will play Grass Valley here this Friday.

Carl Gregg came home from The Dalles last Thursday and is getting along fine now. He had an emergency operation for acute appendicitis.

It was reported here Sunday and again Monday that there was an old man who appeared to be at least partially crazy out along the highway. Deputy Sheriff Haynes picked him up Monday and took him to Moro and turned him over to Sheriff Chrisman. He insisted that he was inspecting the highways in this county and was looking for the highway crew and that he had lost his shovel and was looking for that.

SHANIKO LOCAL ITEMS

Henry Frayer of Antelope was here on business Tuesday.

R. A. Twiss of The Dalles was a business visitor here Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Bennett of The Dalles were here Friday.

Walter Lang of The Dalles was a business visitor here Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Andy Brown made a trip to The Dalles Wednesday.

Harold and Marion Sexton of The Dalles were visitors here Friday.

Don't forget the old-time dance here Saturday night everybody welcome.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Bonney of Tygh Valley were visitors here Saturday.

Mrs. Omer Borthwick and Pearl Wolfe of Antelope were shopping here Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Olsen have rented the Columbia Southern Hotel and will take charge April first.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Miller of Tygh Valley were visitors at the home of their son Fred Miller last week.

Mrs. G. H. Reeder and children Margret and John spent Easter Sunday in Dufur. They were accompanied by Phillis Hanna.

Mr. and Mrs. Terril Casebolt of The Dalles spent Saturday night and Sunday here at the home of their brother and family Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Casebolt.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Werner entertained at bridge at their home Thursday night; those present were Mr. and Mrs. Roades, Mr. and Mrs. Andy Brown and Miss Janet Arnold.

S. W. Searcy and family were visiting in Moro last Sunday from The Dalles.

F. E. Fagan and family were visitors in Moro this week from McMinnville.

F. E. Fortner and family of this city, spent the last weekend visiting with friends in Portland.

Miss Harriet Disher, niece of Mrs. Walter May, was a visitor in Moro this week from Portland.

Mrs. Ella Wolfard, sister of E. T. Strong, was visiting in Moro last weekend from Cottage Grove.

Mrs. Hugh Logan accompanied Mr. and Mrs. L. Barnum to Moro as an auto guest last Sunday; from The Dalles.

Douma Bros. beat the annual clean-up day program by securing J. F. Noonan to paint the city market inside and out, starting Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hansen, known to the regular patrons of Hotel Moro as Pete and Beanie, are again back on the job as janitor and waitress respectively. They left here last summer to try garden farming in the Spokane country.

R. E. Hickson and family spent the last weekend in Moro as guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Hickson of this city. Mr. Hickson Jr. is United States engineer in charge of the river improvement work between Portland and the sea.

Mrs. Tom Striker of Wasco is recovering from a sudden illness that has made her a patient at Mid-Columbia hospital during the past ten days. Mrs. Striker went to the hospital with her granddaughter, who needed medical care and while there became ill herself.

A heavy wind last Thursday and again this Wednesday formed a ten mile by a half mile wide dust storm that raised from off the W. S. Powell farm west of town. The soil is said to be unusually light this year because of having burned the stubble and the winter surface cracks in the land.

The old pioneer farmers of Sherman county are passing rapidly from the view of the younger generation. The latest death to be reported is that of Simon Eleock at his Roseville, California, home on Monday. Mr. Eleock for a long number of years operated the only stationary threshing outfit in the Monkland district. He was a veteran of the civil war and also a member of the Moro lodge of I. O. O. F.

Members of the board of directors met with the county court Wednesday to arrange some method to meet the petition presented by the grange organizations of the county for more exhibit room at the annual county fair for boys and girls club work. It was decided to use a large tent this year and provide funds for future buildings when the budget is considered next fall.

Miss Dorothy Foss represented the Moro Presbyterian Sunday School at the interdenominational annual older girl's conference held this year at Oregon City March 14-16. Oregon City entertained the conference 17 years ago, at which time 54 girls attended. This year the attendance had grown to near 500. The conference work is sponsored by the National Board of Religious Education, represented in Oregon by Mrs. Jean Johnson as state director.

We hear much about a man's word being as good as his oath; but I find the words of most men quite preferable to their oaths.

Brushing the upper crust of the pie with fresh milk makes it shiny and brown.

Moro Theater

Saturday, April 6



Your Favorite Outdoor Star

If you are looking for honest-to-goodness thrills and action, drop in to see this fine McCoy picture.

You can always depend on McCoy to show some marvelous horsemanship, to keep you on the edge of your seat with stunts and daring deeds, and to give you a darn good love story besides. In this picture he positively outdoes himself.

Saturday, April 6

THE MORO THEATRE

15c — 35c

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

THE OBSERVER PRINTING OFFICE IS AN ESTABLISHMENT THAT IS KNOWN BY THE HIGH GRADE OF ITS PRINTING

LAST CHANCE
ONLY ONE MORE DAY of the great **Monarch ELECTRIC**

RANGE SALE and FREE COOKING SCHOOL

You Are Cordially Invited to attend a **Monarch Home Service Cooking School Demonstration**

at Moro, Oregon
April 10 and 11, 2:30 to 4:30 p.m.

Which Will be Held for The Benefit of Local Home Managers Who Are Interested In Modern Cookery

A member of the Home Service Department of the Malleable Iron Range Company will provide a very interesting program of electric cookery demonstrations, recipes of seasonal foods being prepared and served.

We hope you will be our guest at each session of the school, which will be held Wednesday and Thursday, April 10 and 11, from 2:30 to 4:30 p. m. each day.

FREE VALUABLE PREMIUMS — Your Choice of a Set of Silverware or a Monarch Aluminum Ware Oven Set, given free with each Monarch Electric Range sold.

The Monarch Home Service Dept.
Malleable Iron Range Co.
Beaver Dam, Wis.

Moro Hardware & Implement Co.
MORO, OREGON

REPORT OF CONDITION OF THE MORO STATE BANK

at Moro, County of Sherman, Oregon, at close of business March, 27 1929.

RESOURCES

Loans and discounts	\$336983.44
Overdrafts	616.16
Bonds, securities, etc.	11180.17
Banking house none, furniture and fixtures	\$3706.48
Real estate owned other than banking house	7648.10
Cash, due from banks and cash items	17033.02
Expenses in excess of profits	3494.98
Total	\$380562.35

LIABILITIES

Capital stock paid in	\$50000.00
Surplus	7500.00
Reserves	2079.70
Due to banks	1000.00
Demand deposits	159420.31
Time certificates	84478.16
Bills payable and rediscounts	78084.18
Total	\$380562.35

STATE OF OREGON, County of Sherman ss.

I, W. D. Wallan, cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

W. D. Wallan, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 2nd day of April, 1929.
J. L. Searcy,
Notary Public for Oregon
My commission expires March 5, 1930

Correct — Attest:
W. H. Ragdale,
J. K. Morgan,
L. Barnum,
J. W. Hoeh
Directors.