

## Sherman County Observer

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Moro, Oregon  
Meets the 1st and 3rd  
Thursday evenings of  
each month. Visiting  
members cordially in-  
vited to meet with us.  
By order of W. M.  
Robt. Urquhart, Secretary.

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Moro, Oregon  
Regular commu-  
nications each 2nd and 4th  
Thursday evenings of  
each month.  
Mrs. E. T. Strong,  
Worthy Matron  
Nana Barzee, Secretary.

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

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Meets 2d and 4th Tues-  
days of each month.  
Visiting members wel-  
come.  
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nights of each month. Visiting  
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and Grass Valley  
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Tax Reduction Com-  
mittee Meets at Moro

The county tax reduction league  
being organized in Sherman county  
will hold its first meeting at Moro on  
Saturday, December 6, with commit-  
tee members from each unit attend-  
ing.

Each local unit in the five organized  
districts have named members on  
three major committees—one each  
for roads, education, miscellaneous  
matters. The last is to take care of  
all matters other than the first two.  
These three committees will meet at  
the Moro school auditorium to discuss  
and formulate plans which they will  
present to the county tax budget  
committee at their meeting at the  
county court house on December 15.

Each of the three committees have  
been organized by appointment of  
two members from each local unit to  
each of the committees and the ap-  
pointment by these committee mem-  
bers of one more member from the  
county at large.

The meeting will be called to order  
at 10 a.m. The work to be done by  
them is to dovetail into one recom-  
mendation to the county budget com-  
mittee the various interests of the  
several communities of the county as  
a whole. Lunch to the visiting com-  
mitteemen will be served at noon by  
the committeemen present represen-  
tative of Moro district.

Following is the list of the com-  
mittees and the members appointed:  
Roads—W. F. Jackson, W. S. Pow-  
ell, Moro; Roy J. Baker, V. B. Eakin,  
Grass Valley; J. M. Wilson, Wilber  
Haggerty, Kent; E. D. McKee, R. H.  
McKean, Wasco; C. E. Tom, J. J.  
Miller, Rufus; Tom Alley, Moro, at  
large from Sherman county.

Education—W. C. Bryant, W. H.  
Ragsdale, Moro; T. M. Rolfe, Gus  
Engstrom, Grass Valley; J. E. Norton,  
Luther Davis, Kent; Marie Barnett  
Cooper, H. H. White, Wasco; H. H.  
Brackett, Wm. Wilson, Rufus; Hugh  
Walker, Wasco, at large from Sher-  
man county.

Miscellaneous tax matters—J. B.  
Adams, E. E. Barzee, Moro; Herman  
Schilling, Dell Olds, Grass Valley;  
Jake Wilson, L. W. Amick, Kent; Fred  
Hennagin, J. M. Woods, Wasco; Chas.  
Kuyper, George Wilkerson, Rufus;  
George Wilcox, Grass Valley, at large  
from Sherman county.

## COUNTY BUDGET MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the final  
meeting of the County Budget Com-  
mittee has been changed from Sat-  
urday, December 13, to Monday, Decem-  
ber 15, because of conflict of date  
with the meeting of the Eastern Ore-  
gon Wheat League at Heppner, which  
many Sherman county people want  
to attend.

G. C. Akers, County Clerk.

65 Cars Added For Every  
Mile Of Highway Built

There were an average of 65 motor  
vehicles added to the registration list  
in 1929 for every mile of highway  
improved, according to the Oregon  
State Motor Association.

The association bases its state-  
ment on increased registrations of  
2,108,319 last year, while 32,522 miles  
of highway were improved during the  
year. On the basis figures reported  
by state highway officials to the Bu-  
reau of Public Roads, the mileage im-  
proved in 1929 represents an increase  
of 3,270 miles over 1928, and includes  
7,451 miles of graded and drained  
earth roads, and 25,071 miles of new  
surfacing.

The Motor Association reports that  
a total of 314,136 miles of highways  
were in the state systems at the end  
of 1929. This total mileage includes  
208,324 miles of surfaced highways,  
28,553 miles of graded roads, and  
77,259 miles of unimproved and par-  
tially graded highways.

12,123 Miles of Surfaced  
Highway is States' Total

Oregon ranks third in the miles of  
surfaced highway in the three Pacific  
Coast states. Oregon has 12,123  
miles of surfaced highways while  
Washington has 16,718 and Califor-  
nia 25,381. This information is re-  
leased by the Oregon State Motor  
Association which has received com-  
parative figures covering all states.  
These figures show that at the close  
of 1929 the nation had a total of  
662,664 miles of surfaced roads. This  
mileage consists of approximately  
454,000 miles of local roads and  
208,000 miles of state highways, the  
majority of which are on federal-aid  
system.

Ohio leads the states with a total  
of 48,503 miles of surfaced highways,  
while Minnesota is in second place  
with 35,501 miles and New York is  
third with 32,173 miles. With a total  
of 314,136 miles of designated state  
highways and 208,324 improved, this  
means that approximately two-thirds  
of the total mileage is now officially  
classified as surfaced. The types range  
from sand-clay and top-soil to Port-  
land cement concrete, while gravel  
roads also account for a heavy por-  
tion of the surfaced mileage.

## Scandinavian Language

The Scandinavian group of lan-  
guages includes besides Swedish,  
Danish, Norwegian and Icelandic—the  
old Norse speech called Faroese spoken  
on the Faroe Islands north of Scot-  
land.

## Town Talk

At the next regular meeting of Har-  
land View grange on Friday next,  
election of officers will be part of the  
business transacted.

Mrs. Geo. Elmer from LaGrande  
and Mr. and Mrs. Avery Harrison  
from Halfway, were visitors last week  
at the L. H. Martin home.

Dr. Clarke, of the Clarke Optical  
Co., Portland, will be in Moro all day  
and evening Wednesday, December 10  
at the Hotel Moro. See him about  
your eyes.

Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Johnson were  
called to Hood River this week by  
news of the serious illness of Mrs.  
Granville Phillips, mother of Mr.  
Johnson.

Mrs. and Mrs. L. H. Martin left the  
first of the week for an indefinite  
stay in Portland. During their absence  
the farm will be in charge of Mr. and  
Mrs. Clelland.

Harrison M. Conover of Passaic,  
N. J., has filed suit for absolute di-  
vorce, alleging his wife never kissed  
him during the 17 years of their  
married life.

The next regular meeting of Moro  
Commercial Club, to be held Tuesday  
December 9, will be devoted to en-  
tertainment of the members of Moro  
boy scout troop.

Because his wife scolded him when  
he served oatmeal he had cooked,  
Enoch H. Biberson of Butte, Mont.,  
after 17 years of married life, has  
filed suit for divorce.

The Ladies Aid society of the Moro  
M. E. church plan to hold their an-  
nual bazaar and food sale December  
13, Saturday afternoon, at the Ginn,  
Coleman & Co. store, at 2:30.

Police Chief Jerry Murphy of  
Butte, Mont., unwittingly helped a  
pretty blond girl get away with a  
stolen automobile by getting a new  
key when she said she had lost hers.

Claudia and Dorothy Crites were up  
from Bridge Veil, Ore., last week to  
spend the Thanksgiving holiday pe-  
riod with their father at his farm east  
of Moro and with Mrs. Susie Hast-  
ings, their grandmother, living at  
Moro.

When the electric power fails these  
days, think of the Sherman County  
Observer trying to print a paper.  
Every 15 minute period the heat is  
off the metal pot on the linotype and  
a corresponding period of time must  
be given for the pot to reheat. This  
week the power has been off more  
than usual.

The pantomime presented at Moro  
Presbyterian church last Sunday  
morning by the Woman's Missionary  
Society was a presentation of stew-  
ardship in living pictures based upon  
the leaflet "Steward's Progress," ex-  
emplifying a life well lived from the  
cradle to old age. A well filled church  
auditorium testified to the interest  
manifested in the subject.

A pretty home gathering took place  
at the A. E. Pierson home, south of  
Moro, on Thanksgiving Day. The  
occasion being the tenth anniversary  
of Mr. and Mrs. Winebarger of Trout  
Lake, Wash., daughter of Mr. and  
Mrs. A. E. Pierson. Those present,  
besides Mr. and Mrs. Winebarger,  
were Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Pierson and  
family from Hermiston, Ore., Mr.  
and Mrs. T. R. Pierson and Mr. and  
Mrs. P. N. Pierson from Hood River,  
and a sister, Mrs. Wm. O'Conner and  
husband from Portland. All members  
of the family arrived at the Pierson  
home on Wednesday and remained  
until Friday. Two large turkeys were  
needed to supply the table for the  
Thanksgiving Day feast.

Safety measures in railroading and  
in industry generally will be discussed  
in San Francisco January 19 when  
more than 250 safety experts from all  
parts of the west gather for the an-  
nual Pacific coast regional meeting of  
the safety section of the American  
Railway Association. J. B. Monahan,  
supervisor of safety for the Southern  
Pacific company, has been appointed  
chairman for the meeting by H. A.  
Rowe, president of the association. Plans  
for the conference will be per-  
fected under his direction. Safety  
problems vital not only to railroading  
but to all industries will be consid-  
ered, according to Monahan, and steps  
taken looking toward their solution.

## AD CHATS

By Charles Higgins



HERE WE GUARANTEE A MAN  
WHO HAS JUST RETIRED  
FROM BUSINESS—HE IS  
GOING TO EUROPE NOW!  
"I CANNOT TELL A LIE,"  
HE CHIRPS, "I DID IT WITH  
MY LIL' OL' REGULAR AD!"

Reading of advertising is worth  
while.

Highway Accidents Num-  
erous on Sherman Highway

A number of local highway acci-  
dents were reported since Thank-  
sgiving, caused mainly by fog, wet  
pavements and ice conditions.

A motor stage last Friday morning  
ran into a band of sheep between the  
Kee and King farms. Seven were killed  
and sixteen injured to an extent  
they had to be killed. The sheep were  
being moved from near Shaniko to  
Cascade Locks. Just previous to the  
stage hitting the sheep, a car had run  
through the band before noticing them.  
Fog was the cause, with no one  
ahead to warn traffic.

Saturday morning a motor stage  
making the grade southbound on the  
Hugh Walker hill north of Moro, had  
all its men passengers out pulling  
ropes to place under the wheels to  
prevent spinning of the ice. It finally  
pulled the grade.

A wood saw a motor stage  
automobile going down DeMoss grade  
Saturday morning failed to make the  
turn west from off the highway. No  
damage was done but the car and saw  
blocked traffic temporarily.

Driving in the fog Tuesday night,  
Joe Peters, Harold Ginn and F. E.  
Fortner in Peters' car met Oscar  
Mink driving a Hudson near the R. C.  
Byers place. The two cars locked on  
front left front wheels tightly and  
swung across the pavement. Peters  
and Ginn received slight bruises.  
Fortner had his shoulder broken and  
a cut under his chin that required  
eight stitches to close. Both Peters  
and Fortner, in the front seat, broke  
the windshield in front of them. One  
with his hand and the other with his  
head. Mrs. Mink also received some  
injury. Both cars were badly wrecked.

A salesman for Swift & Co. was  
killed in a head-on collision near the  
Criterion school house Tuesday night  
when he collided with a large freight  
truck. He was reported to be on the  
wrong side of the road and driving  
without lights in the fog.

A freight truck on the Bend-Port-  
land line was burned Wednesday eve-  
ning on the Hugh Walker grade. The  
driver cut the trailer loose, letting it  
run backwards down grade and up-  
set. Its load was spilled neatly over  
the pavement.

A third big freight truck blocked  
traffic last Saturday morning in the  
Wasco city limits. Ice on the pave-  
ment swung its trailer into the curb  
at the turn onto the main street. It  
became stalled about 2 a.m. and was  
late morning when again under way.

The large truck reported to have  
burned on the Sherman highway near  
Dinty's last week was owned by J. U.  
Leonard, formerly of Kent and now  
living at Hood River. It was loaded  
with wood, which also burned. When  
no owner could be located for this  
truck a report became current that it  
was owned by Tom Fraser, this was  
not correct.

Railroads Oppose Reduc-  
tion In Grain Rates

Reconsideration and modification  
of the recently authorized reduction  
of grains and grain products rates in  
western trunk line territory was asked  
of the interstate commerce commission  
Sept. 16 in a brief filed by railroads  
serving inter-mountain and Pacific  
coast territories.

Declaring they would suffer "irre-  
parable loss" through the new rates,  
the carriers served notice that if the  
commission did not modify its order  
they were prepared to introduce suf-  
ficient new evidence to justify the  
relief sought.

The roads contended the commis-  
sion "erred" in making the reduced  
rates applicable to intermountain and  
Pacific coast territories. They pointed  
out that because of the more difficult  
hauls over the mountains, the com-  
mission would be justified in allow-  
ing them to collect higher rates than  
other western trunk line carriers.

Regarding the loss of revenue, the  
petition declared the carriers already  
had suffered great loss through re-  
duction of rates on deciduous fruits,  
which the supreme court later de-  
clared invalid. They pointed out,  
however, that nothing was contained  
in the supreme court decision order-  
ing the commission to "reestablish  
previous rates to compensate the car-  
riers for loss of revenue suffered dur-  
ing the two years the reduced rates  
were in effect.

## Sidelights of The News

Excessive size may save Mag  
Keeling, 600-pound Alabama neg-  
ress, from a jail sentence. Officers  
charge her with selling whiskey, but  
say she can't be gotten out of her  
house without cutting away a part of  
the wall, besides she could not be  
gotten into the jail if convicted.

Subscribers will no doubt applaud  
the fearless policy declared by a  
western newspaper as follows: "We  
wish to announce that hereafter our  
policy, politically, shall be independ-  
ent. On all other questions we shall  
endeavor to print the truth."

People interested in sports, both  
amateur and professional, have been  
invited by Bishop Manning to assist  
with funds to complete the great  
Episcopal Cathedral of St. John the  
Divine in New York City. The  
Bishop calls attention to the fact  
that the sculpture of the cathedral  
will include figures typifying "every  
kind of wholesome, legitimate sport,  
such as baseball, boxing, racing,  
wrestling, golf, polo and tennis."

## CHURCHES

## Christian Science

Service Sunday morning at 11  
o'clock and Wednesday evening at  
8 o'clock. Sunday School at 10:00  
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, the only Cause and Creator."  
Golden Text: Acts 15:18. "Known  
unto God are all his works from the  
beginning of the world."

Responsive Reading: Psalms 96:1,  
2, 4-11; and 100:3, 5.

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

## Presbyterian Church

Sunday School at 10:00 a. m.

## The Full Gospel Assembly

"Work out your own salvation with  
fear and trembling; for it is God that  
worketh in you to will and to do of  
His own good pleasure." Phil. 2:12-13.

We are not machines, to be moved  
by the God of the universe; but cre-  
atures having wills to choose. As a  
man chooses to permit God to work  
in his heart, he is given opportunity  
to "work out" in the daily life the  
graces of the christian life. This is  
the present tense of salvation. In an-  
other moment, salvation is completed  
the moment a sinner accepts the Sub-  
stitute who died in his stead on the  
cross.

There is another phase of salva-  
tion—the future—when we shall be  
saved from the presence of sin.

Usual services on Sunday.  
Sunday School at 10 a. m.  
Preaching to follow at 11 o'clock  
and 7:30 p. m.

J. D. and Mrs. Miller, Pastors.

## Methodist Church Notes.

Church School every Sunday morn-  
ing at 10 o'clock.

Preaching at 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.  
The subject of the Sunday morning  
sermon is "The Ministry of Healing."  
The Ladies Aid meets next Thurs-  
day afternoon at the church. The  
meeting this week was the monthly  
social meeting and was held at the  
home of Mrs. Burnett.

The Church School last Sunday was  
of unusual interest. We were pleas-  
ed to see the larger number in attend-  
ance. Here is hoping that the Junior  
class wins the race to Samaria. Go  
to it boys and girls, you can make it.  
We have one more series of pic-  
tures to show, but will wait for better  
weather. These pictures are of the  
farm and will be of interest to all the  
community.

The church with a cordial welcome.

F. A. Ginn, pastor.

## State Brand is Opposed

A compulsory state brand for Ore-  
gon products would be a detriment  
rather than a help to producers, ac-  
cording to the Oregon Cooperative  
council which has recently voted to  
oppose it if it is proposed in the com-  
ing legislature. It would interfere  
with present market arrangements  
and bring no corresponding benefits,  
a resolution declared.

About 640 different makes of  
passenger cars have been built in  
America and placed on the market  
since the birth of the auto industry.

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ST. PAUL  
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