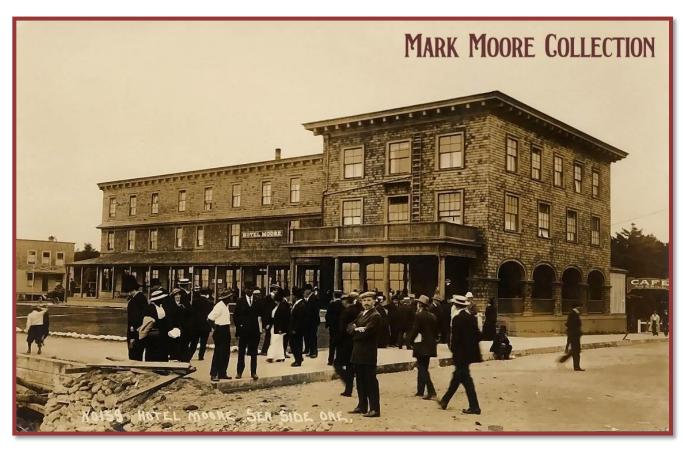


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Real photo postcard of the Hotel Moore in Seaside, Oregon circa 1916, published by Pacific Photo Co. Salem, Oregon. Postally unused.

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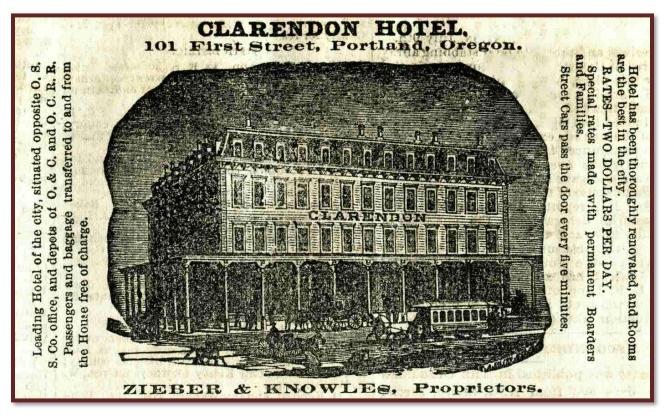
Dan J. Moore was born in 1862 and he became well-known around Portland, and in the northwest, during his 72-year life. His first exposure to the general public was working as a bellboy at the Clarendon Hotel at Northwest First and Flanders in Portland circa 1879-1880. Later, Moore was a messenger for the Oregon & California Railroad as well as a steamboat ticket clerk for the Oregon Railroad & Navigation Company.



Moore worked as a route agent for *The Oregonian* newspaper in the mid-to-late 1880s and he was also involved in the Columbia River Lumber and Fuel Company in the early 1890s. Moore was also a clerk for the Circuit Court in the Portland Federal Building (today's Pioneer Courthouse) from 1894-1901.

Skills that he gathered from his life experiences prepared Moore to become a popular hotel man. From the time he was a bellboy, Dan J. Moore had aspired to run a hotel.

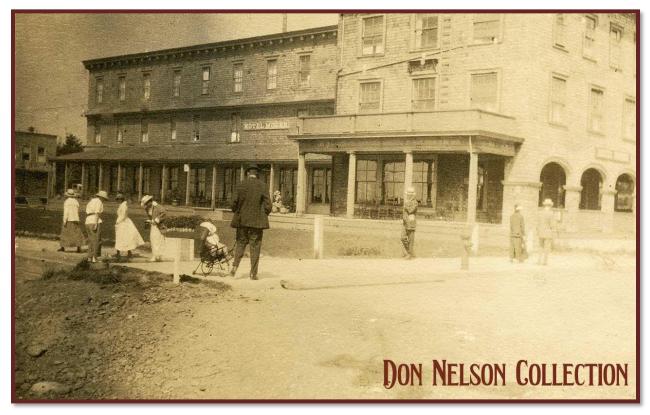
In 1904, he purchased the New Grimes Hotel in Seaside, Oregon and renamed it Hotel Moore, later enlarging it. *Photo of Dan J. Moore from the 1908 Morning Oregonian*.



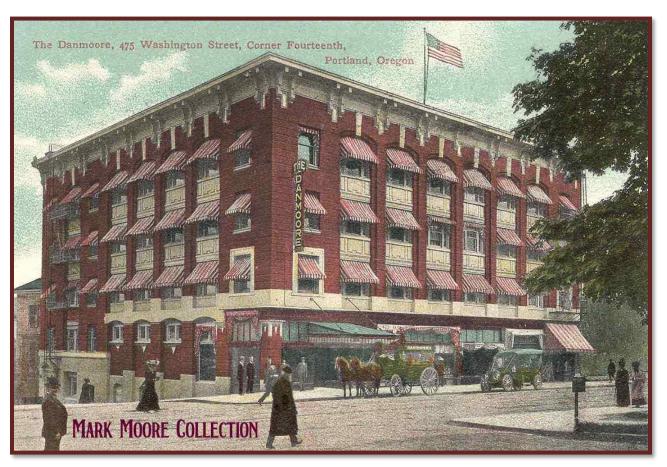
Clarendon Hotel advertisement from 1879, Don Nelson collection.



Lithographed postcard of the Hotel Moore (formerly the New Grimes Hotel) in Seaside, Oregon, circa 1905. Published by D.M. Averill & Co. Portland, Oregon. Postally unused.



Photograph of the Hotel Moore in Seaside, Oregon, circa 1912, after the expansion.



Lithographed postcard of the Danmoore Hotel. Postmarked February 12, 1909 in Portland, Ore.

Again, Moore named another hostelry after himself, when he opened "The Danmoore" Hotel in 1906. This building at Southwest 14th and Washington in Portland was named the Ramapo Hotel for several years and it is now the Taft Home, a residential care community.

The ornate brick building still stands and the popular Cassady's Restaurant and Bar is located on the first floor. Moore briefly leased the Nortonia Hotel at Southwest 14th and Washington Street in 1908. The building owner, architect Edgar M. Lazarus, made many improvements to the building for him.

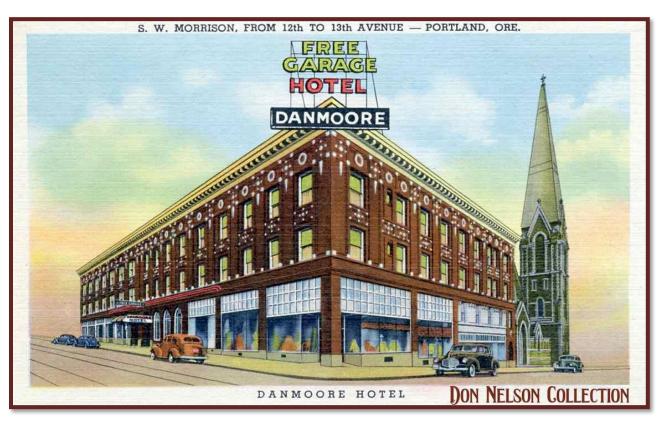
Moore sold his hotel at Seaside in 1919 and it was renamed The Seaside Hotel. It was torn down in 1983 for a new Shilo Inn. Moore managed the Bozanta Tavern at Hayden Lake, Idaho, beginning in 1920 and for several years afterwards, before moving on to Mt. Baker Lodge in Washington.

Leasing the Rosaria Hotel in Portland in the early 1930s, Moore renovated it and renamed it, you guessed it, Hotel Danmoore.

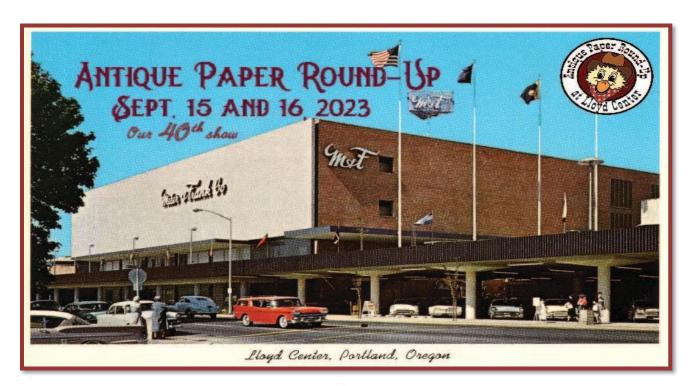
Dan J. Moore passed away in 1934 at the age of 72.



Lithographed postcard of the Lobby of the Danmoore Hotel in the 1930s. Postmarked October 13, 1938 in Portland, Oregon.



Lithographed linen postcard of the Danmoore Hotel in Portland in the 1930s. Published by Curt Teich. Postally unused.



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