Fair's Sheep Dog Trials draw 46 entries

OUT OF THE PAST

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100 YEARS AGO Aug. 10, 1916

• The largest farm sale ever made in the county was consummated this morning when a contract was signed for the purchase by J.N. Roberts of C.P. Ragsdale's 942-acre Prairie Creek Ranch. It was bought by Mr. Ragsdale several years ago for \$38,000. It is understood the selling price is more than double that figure.

• The sewer work (in Enterprise) will be finished in a few days, but it will be months yet before the streets can be put back in good condition. So many ditches are being dug through the streets for new connections that it is impossible to keep the roadway anything like smooth. However this is the penalty of growth.

• The new Catholic Church at Three Lakes burned down just before daylight Saturday morning. It was insured for \$1,000, only part of its cost. First mass was to have been held in the church on Sunday. Rev. Father Smith came from Wallowa to conduct the services, and held them at the home of Frank Sprute, where the members de-



An early fair exhibit, but which fair?

cided to rebuild at once.

• Howard W. Shutt sold the Lostine Reporter last week to James W. Boyd, a new comer from the central states.

• Mrs. M.F. Mahony is driving a new three passenger Studebaker runabout, a 6-cylinder, 50-horsepower car, bought of Rodgers Brothers. She has mastered the machine so that she can handle it with some confidence already, and is planning a long trip in it next season.

70 YEARS AGO Aug. 15, 1946

• The question of whether Wallowa county should build and operate a new hospital at a cost of not to exceed \$100,000 will be placed before the voters in the November election.

• News from Paradise: Last Thursday afternoon Bernice Shelton's house caught fire. A number of men got there in



a short time and soon had the blaze under control. About 30 men gathered and decided to put on a new roof. They completed it in a few hours.

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• The Stitch and Chatter club met with Mrs. B. Kooch last week for an afternoon meeting, with 16 members and 7 visitors present. It was voted to send towels, tea towels and pillowcases to the Wendell Burleigh family, who lost their home and contents recently. • To McCoy Brothers of the Leap country goes the distinction of bringing the first load of wheat of the season to the Grain Growers warehouse. Donald Kooch and Ernest H. Miller also brought in wheat that day, but a little later.

• Approximately 225 4-H club exhibits will be entered at the county junior fair to be held August 23. The 49 livestock projects will include 21 dairy, 18 beef, 3 swine and 7 sheep. The economics division will consist of 6 bachelor sewing, 14 camp cookery, 1 canning I, 3 canning II, 37 clothing 1A, 23 clothing 1B, 11 clothing II, 6 clothing III and 9 clothing IV. Miscellaneous project exhibits include 2 gardening and 22 health.

50 YEARS AGO Aug. 11, 1966

• Photo caption: Harvest of the Wallowa County pea crop got underway on Monday with the processing of 93 acres at the Dwain Hatch place south of Enterprise. This year's pea crop of about 450 acres is under contract to Lamb-Weston company of Weston.

• The 4-H style revue was held at the Cloverleaf hall on Tuesday evening. Winning the top honors in the revue were Rhonda Kiser, grand champion in the knitting division with the reserve grand champion honor going to Joan Kennedy. In the clothing division the grand champion was Karen Freels and reserve champion was Kathleen Wolfe.

25 YEARS AGO Aug. 15, 1991

• Melvin and Joan Lathrop of Lostine were presented with the Volunteer of the Year award by the Wallowa County Pomona Grange at the fair Monday afternoon.

Photo caption: Don's

Food Store had a changing of the guard this month when the business was sold by longtime owner Don Conner. The Wallowa grocery store was purchased by Mike and Becky Goss.

• There were 46 entries from three states in the 4th annual Sheep Dog Trials at the Wallowa County Fair last weekend, compared to 26 a year ago. A total of four Wallowa County dogs competed in the show, with Juanita Waters' Cotton and Dave Parker's Frosty making the best local showing. Dave Yost with Pete, and Mark Butterfield with Annie also competed in cow penning.

• Photo caption: Amber Follett, champion horse showman in the Intermediate division, also received the grand champion showmanship ribbon in last week's 4-H Horse Show.

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