

Mustangs Make Good Showing at Hermiston Meet

By Larry Mollohan

It turned out better than was expected for the Mustangs last Wednesday when Heppner participated in the Hermiston Invitational trackmeet and turned up in third place.

Two first place spots were collected by Bill Hughes and Mike Monahan, Hughes in the discus with a 116 ft. heave and Mike Monahan in the mile with a time of 5:13.

A whole crop of seconds and third places appeared with Jim Green coming in second in the high hurdles and third in the 100 yds. Stanton of Pilot Rock displayed his state trackmeet winning form of a year in winning both of these events and broad-jump.

Jim Hayes held out two second place spots, one in the 880 and the other in the javelin. Skip Rubl turned on the speed to come in a close second in the 440. Bill Hughes turned out to be Heppner's high flying man, coming in second to Predigo of Hermiston in the high jump and pole vault.

Lyle Jensen, junior speedster, took second in the hundred yard dash and third in the 22. Larry Mollohan took third in the discus with a 110 ft. heave.

The next event on the track calendar is the district meet at La Grande this coming Saturday. The team members who win first or second there are eligible to go to the state meet in Salem May 21 and 22.

Tuesday the Mustangs pulled a 17 to 10 victory over the Hermiston J. V. baseball squad on the home field in a wild slugfest.

NAME OVERLOOKED

One student, Russell Elde, of Heppner, was overlooked last week in the list of county students winning top ratings in the county-wide spelling contest. He earned a rating of excellent.

Mrs. Sara McNamer has returned from a six weeks visit in Oklahoma and Kansas. While gone she visited her brother in Bartlesville, Oklahoma and attended the golden wedding celebration of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Waters of Downey, California, former Heppner residents.

One Man President Of New Equipment Company at Arlington

Ralph S. Crum, lone farmer, and a former construction man and sales and service man for Caterpillar and John Deere equipment in the Columbia basin has been named president of the Do More Tractor Company, which has the distributorship for all Mixermobile Manufacturing Company products in this area.

The company is currently introducing a completely new line of dozers, tractors, loaders, special logging tractors, scoops and concrete mixers and one of its special units now on display is a four-wheel drive rubber tired tractor which it is claimed cuts repair and maintenance fifty per cent. The units have ten speeds forward and range in size from 35 to 350 horsepower.

Crum stated that the company, with offices in Arlington, has the distributorship for all the equipment for Morrow, Gilliam, Wheeler, Sherman counties in Oregon and Klickitat and adjoining counties in Washington. Expert factory service men will take care of service work in this area if needed.

Dave Spoonhour is company representative at Arlington, and he reports that one of the tractor units is already in use in the county.

HOSPITAL NEWS

New Arrivals—To Mr. and Mrs. James O. Burns, Condon, a 6 lb. 14 oz. boy born May 10, named James Cornwell. To Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Rippee, Heppner, a 6 lb 5 oz. boy born May 12, named Christopher Lynn. To Mr. and Mrs. Vilas Kinzer, Condon, a 5 lb. 5 oz. girl born May 12, named Peggy Jean.

Medical—Charmian Adams, Kinzua, dismissed; Mary Ellen Hinton, Monument, dismissed; Robert Cole, Kinzua, dismissed; Mrs. Agnes Low, Spray; Mrs. Betty LaFontaine, Kinzua, dismissed; Tommy Schoolcraft, Kinzua, dismissed; Mrs. Lulu Ruth Nelson, Kinzua.

Major Surgery—Mrs. Marjorie Johnson, Heppner; Earl E. Hunt, Heppner.

Minor Surgery—Richard Thomas, Fossil, dismissed; Raymond Reid, Spray, dismissed; Mrs. Lois Todd, Fossil, dismissed; Mrs. Marjorie Baker, Ione.

Out-Patients—Gary Dillon, Umatilla; Garrett Ries, Olex; Laddona Vanover, Lexington; Jill Padberg, Lexington.

Some Stock Prices Show Slight Drop

HERMISTON—Lloyd Morgan of Ione topped the market at the Hermiston livestock auction Friday with a 1230 lb. whiteface bull selling for \$15.60 cwt. Delbert Anson, manager of the sale, reports:

Farmers culling out dry ewes and cheap pairs of lambs an ewes unsuited for summer range feeding increased consignment of sheep to 158 head compared with 64 head the previous Friday. Old ewes with lambs at side brought a top of \$16.00 per pair.

Good weather for farming operations cut consignments of cattle somewhat, with 353 consigned compared with 399 the previous Friday and 151 hogs compared with 171. Feeder steers remained steady, but veal, hogs and cows were off at least fifty cents per cwt. in line with general cheapening of this stock at other markets.

Trading was brisk in the lower prices, with demand broad and active. Local farmers actively sought breeder and stocker steers, which continue in demand, and Oregon, Washington and Montana buyers, representing packers and feeders, contributed to the briskness of the sale. Quality was steady as were prices for the most part. Ten registered bulls brought prices ranging from \$165 to \$190 per hd.; and four cows with calves at side outstanding for size and quality, brought an unusual \$215 per pr. Forty cows with calves at side are among consignments due next Friday.

Calves: Baby calves 14.00-29.00 hd.; weaner calves, steer calves 16.75-18.25 cwt.; veal 22.50-15.75 cwt.

Steers: Stocker steers 16.75-18.00 cwt.; feeder steers 18.25-19.85; fat slaughter steers 20.10-21.40; fat heifers 17.20-18.40; no choice grade available.

Cows: Dairy cows 90.00-127.50 hd.; dairy heifers 31.00-43.00 hd.; stock cows 147.50-168.00 hd.

Slaughter cows: Commercial 14.85-16.00 cwt.; utility 12.75-13.60; canner-cutter 8.50-11.10 shells 5.50-7.00.

Bulls: 14.20-15.60.

Hogs: Weaner pigs 15.50-25.00 hd.; feeder pigs 26.25-28.00 cwt.; fat hogs 27.75-28.50 cwt.; sows 22.50-24.80; boars 12.50-1.00.

Sheep: Feeder lambs 12.00-14.10; no fat lambs; old ewes; lambs at side \$16 ph.; bucks 3.50-5.10 cwt.

Miss Donna Neal Resigns as Heppner Girls' PE Instructor

Heppner school superintendent H. C. Reed, said today that he has received the resignation of Miss Donna Neal, girls physical education and health instructor for the past two years. She has accepted a position with the Helena, Montana school system and will leave Heppner shortly after the end of the present school year.

Miss Neal came to Heppner from Kearny, Nebraska.

The local board has not yet found anyone to take over her position for next year, nor has it filled the vacancy left by the resignation of Stephen Trukositz, basketball and baseball coach, though applicants for this position are now being interviewed by the board.

Wranglers Set For Butter Creek Ambush

Wranglers president Roice Fullerton has announced that transportation for member's horses to the Butter Creek Ambush, Sunday, May 16, will leave the rodeo grounds from 8 to 9 o'clock Sunday morning. The ride from Greenup's to Butter Creek will start at 9:30. Dinner is called for 12 noon sharp, and the show will start at 1:15 p. m.

Among those from Heppner attending the Pacific International Trapshoot at the Portland Gun club during the weekend were Dale Brown, Luke Bibby, John Lane, George Snider and Harvey Smith and Terrel Bengt.

Radar Used

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day by W. Floyd Jones, project meteorologist at Condon. It said, "The storm of May 9-10 came from northwest Washington, having been fully developed before leaving that area. It moved toward the Tri-County area by way of the Cascade range. As it climbed up over the Cascades, precipitation occurred on the west side and summit of the mountains, and it slowed and nearly stopped as the moisture-laden air currents which were feeding this storm were unable to complete the climb over to the east side of the Cascades, and as a result, the dying storm swept over Eastern Oregon causing scattered, very little showers generally. Condon measured .05", a station seven miles west of Condon received .14", and other areas only traces.

"By careful and continuous study of this storm using radar and weather data received over leased wire facilities, the Weather Modification company feels that nature was coaxed into dropping a little more rain over the Tri-County area than could have been expected had no cloud seeding been done. A 30 hour watch was maintained on this storm by the technical staff at the Condon office.

"The description is true of most of the storms to come over the area and... every opportunity will be taken to increase the natural rainfall over the three counties."

The Weather Modification company holds the present research contract, which expires in June, and it was also announced by the directors of the county organization that the annual meeting of the Tri-County organization will be held in Morrow county early in June.

Red Cross Field Executives Visit

Mrs. Arthur Von Cadow, Walla Walla president of the Blue Mountain Council of the Red Cross and a volunteer Red Cross field worker in this area, and Miss Betty Bobel, northwest field representative of the organization were in Heppner Tuesday to consult with Red Cross officials.

They told the local organization that the money being sent monthly to the district council is being used to care for the needs of the patients in the veteran's hospital in Walla Walla. Among the things recently added for the aid and enjoyment of the patients is a large coffee urn for the recreation hall, special party needs, Christmas parties, etc.

The local organization sponsors a ward at the Walla Walla hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Wickersham of Portland spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Duval.

Hermiston Student Selected for Farm Visits in England

Barbara Larson, 20, of Hermiston will be visiting farms in England and Wales this summer as an International Farm Youth Exchange delegate.

Her selection for the two-way exchange of rural youths was announced by Mrs. Winnifred Gillen, state 4-H extension agent heading the IFYE program in Oregon. The state's other delegate this summer is Dorothy Teel of Hillsboro, who will go to Germany.

Miss Larson, a junior in home economics at Oregon State college, is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Carl A. Larson of Hermiston. She lives on the 460-acre Umatilla field station, where her father is superintendent. There she has seen experimental work done on vegetables, fruits, nuts, grasses and grains.

While living in Newell, S. D., she became a 4-H club member and continued club work after moving to Hermiston in 1945. In eight years of membership, she completed 18 projects—six in cooking, four in clothing, two in knitting, four in homemaking and two in rose and flower and home beautification. At the 1950 state fair, she was a member of a champion demonstration team showing how to make ice cream in a hand crank freezer.

Miss Larson has two brothers, Ron and John. Ron was named an FFA state farmer and took top honors at the Oregon annual corn show with highest yielding crop in the state.

The Oregon IFYE delegate will leave for England June 16 on the Queen Elizabeth.

Oregon, U. S. Cattle Numbers Hit New Top

Cattle numbers in Oregon, the U. S. and the world have reached a record high this year.

Ed Coles, extension livestock marketing specialist at Oregon State college, reports that on January 1, 1954, Oregon had a total of 1,429,000 cattle, the U. S. had 94,800, and the world about 856,000,000 cattle.

As nations go, India rank first in total cattle numbers with nearly 200,000,000 head. Cattle in India are used primarily for draft purposes. The U. S. is considered first in beef production of the world.

Coles says the marked upswing in cattle production in the World War II is showing signs of slowing down. There was only an increase of 7,000,000 head during 1953 as compared with 19,000,000 head a year earlier. In 1951, the increase was 24,000,000 head.

This slower rate of increase may be an indication that cattle numbers will reach a peak this year in the U. S., Coles explains.

Mrs. Josie Jones and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Baker spent Saturday in the Tri-City area in Washington.

Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Mahoney spent a few days the last of the week in Portland, returning to Heppner Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Gardner had as their guests last week, Mrs. Jennie deGonga and Mrs. Gladys Rodgers of The Dalles.

Miss Connie Ruggles of Portland spent the weekend visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Ruggles.

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