

# FAIR EXHIBITS SET NEW MARK

## AIRLIFT AFTER OPERATION—

### Helicopter Transfers Injured Air Force Men From Hospital



U. S AIR FORCE HELICOPTER landed just behind Pioneer Memorial hospital Monday afternoon to transfer five men from the Condon air base who were injured in an auto accident Saturday night (see story below). The ambulance plane settled gently to the ground within 200 feet of the back entrance to the hospital.



INJURED MAN is being loaded on board this Air Force "egg-beater" by air medical technician, A/2c L. T. Schrumm (right), Lt. Bill Piper, Pendleton, the pilot (left) and hospital lab and X-ray technician Will O'Hara, (center). The plane took three of the injured men to Pendleton on its first trip, where they were transferred to a C47 transport for the rest of their trip to the army hospital at Fairchild Air Base at Spokane. Other man in the crew was Dr. Smith, flight surgeon from Fairchild base.



"WHIRLYBIRD" lifts gently from the ground on its first trip to Pendleton. It took three men the first trip and two on its second. The helicopter can accommodate six men on stretchers in an emergency, but the seriousness of the injuries required more than is allowed with a full passenger cargo. The ship circled over Heppner before landing at the hospital and it attracted a sizeable crowd of interested persons, many of whom had never examined such a plane at close range. Both the helicopter and the transport plane are based at Fairchild field in Spokane. (GT Photos)

### FIVE ARE INJURED IN SERIES OF LOCAL WEEKEND CAR ACCIDENTS

A rash of weekend accidents caused serious injuries to five men from the Condon air force base, and damaged at least five cars in four separate accidents Saturday night and Sunday.

The air force men were injured early Sunday morning when a car in which they were riding went off the road about one mile south of Hartman on the grade into Rock Creek. It was demolished. Brought to Pioneer Memorial hospital in three ambulances were Alfred Laicer, 17, Portland, who suffered a compound, shattered fracture of the right leg; Arthur Miller, 19, Madtussville, Tenn., severe head lacerations and broken nose; Walstein Dofflemeyer, 21, Swoop, Va., fractured left leg and multiple contusions; Ronald Vantostky, 19, Pittsburgh, Pa., severe scalp lacerations; and Thomas Love, 20, Montgomery County, Mo. compound fracture of the right leg, severe scalp and face lacerations and multiple contusions.

The accident was discovered by state policeman William Labhart who happened on to one of the men along the highway when he was seeking help. The men were brought to Pioneer Memorial hospital in three ambulances, the

Morrow county ambulance, one from the air base and one from Condon.

According to the police report, Love was driver of the car. It was owned by he and Miller.

All the men were seriously injured with Love listed as being hurt the worst. Their conditions were fair to good when transferred Monday by helicopter and air force transport plane to the Air Force hospital at Spokane.

Other weekend accidents included a multiple car crash Saturday night west of Pendleton. Eight cars were involved, with two of them belonging to local residents. They were Lincoln Nash of Heppner and Lloyd Howton, Ione.

Early Sunday morning a brand new car owned and driven by Gaylord Salter of Ione was considerably damaged when the driver went to sleep and the machine overturned between Lexington and the Lex airport. Salter was not hurt.

Sunday afternoon a car driven by Paul Barnett, Ione, went out of control on the slippery highway just west of Heppner and went into the ditch. Damage was not great and Barnett was not injured.

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## 3 Rodeo Performances Due

### NEW, ENLARGED SATURDAY NIGHT SHOW PLANNED

With three top-flight performances scheduled for Saturday afternoon and night and Sunday, rodeo enthusiasts can look forward to a big weekend of entertainment, rodeo committee chairman Floyd Jones indicated today. Stock began arriving early this week, and a fast, full program has been completed.

The Saturday afternoon show will present schedule of events including bareback riding, calf roping, pony races, bull dogging, wild cow milking, flag races and many others. One of the top events will again be the north-west bucking contest which was given to the Morrow county show the first time last year by the Pendleton Round-Up. It attracted a great number of top amateur cowhands at its first presentation here and is expected to do as well or better this year. Top prize for this event is a hand made saddle, made and awarded by Hamley and Company of Pendleton.

One of the most popular events of the entire show is the Morrow county amateur calf roping which will be held during both the Saturday and Sunday shows. First prize for this event is a hand made saddle given by Heppner Pine Mills and made by Tarrell Saddlery of Heppner. Second award is a belt given by Ella's Grill and a buckle by Tum-A-Lum Lumber Co., and third place prize is a western hat from Wilson's Men's Wear.

In the Morrow county junior calf roping, first prize is a belt buckle from Jack Van Winkle, second, pair of spurs from J. C. Penney Co., and third a belt from Tarrell Saddlery.

Trophy for the riding clubs flag race is given by Farley Motor Co.

**Saturday Night Show Good**

A greatly increased program is being planned for the Saturday night show which will be held under the lights. On tap will be one complete go-around the Morrow county amateur calf roping; a wild horse race that always provides plenty of action; a Calgary roping event, which was held here for the first time last year and created much interest.

Also new to the Saturday night show will be the Morrow county chariot race which promises to be plenty wild and western. The boys who plan to enter this event have been practicing for some time and the two-lap race is expected to provide some of the evening's top entertainment.

Admission to the Saturday night show will be \$1.00 for adults and 50 cents for children with no seats reserved.

**Purse Increased**

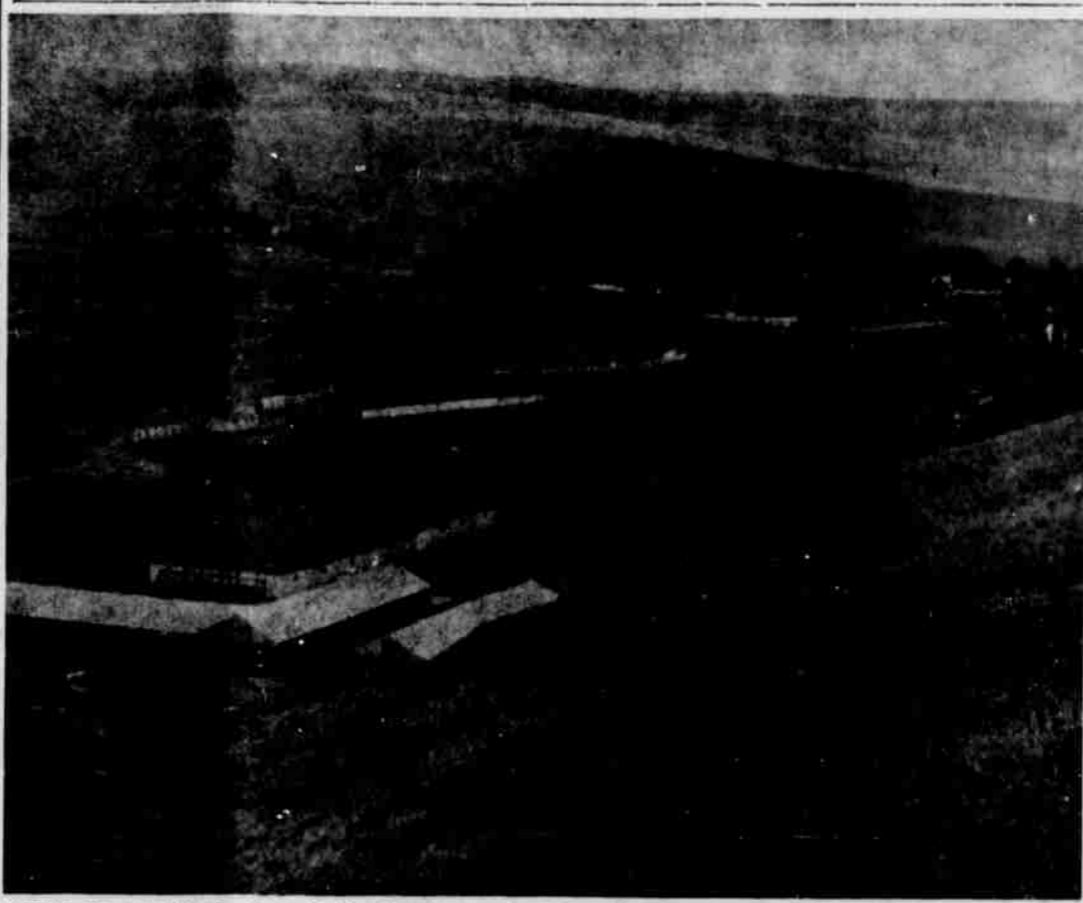
Following a joint meeting on Tuesday night of the fair and rodeo committees, officials announced that the purse for the chariot race will be increased to \$115. In addition to the \$50 donated by the Heppner Odd Fellows lodge, Les Wyman donated \$15, the Hermiston Sales Yard \$25 and Wink's Sales yard, \$25.

The chamber of commerce will have charge of program sales during all three rodeo performances and Paul Koenig will have charge of ticket sales for the Willow Creek Country Club. Buck Lieuallen will be the official race starter with Harry Dinges and W. W. Weatherford as race judges. Gerald Swaggart will be in charge of the calf chutes and will also act as chute flagman. Don Greenup will furnish the cows for the wild cow milking event.

The committee decided that children under 12 years of age who participate in the Saturday morning parade, will be given a ticket instead of a silver dollar. The ticket will be redeemed after the parade for \$1.00.

Rodeo queens and their courts are expected from John Day, Ukiah, Hermiston and Pendleton. Several other courts have also been extended invitations.

The sound system for the parade and the rodeo will again be furnished by Empire Machinery



SCENE OF ACTIVITY—Though the Morrow county fair and rodeo grounds were practically empty when this picture was taken last weekend, they present a different sight today as crowds started pouring in to Heppner to attend the big five-day show. Grounds and buildings are in excellent shape and increased facilities have been provided to give additional show space. Even then, the main pavilion and livestock barns are filled with exhibits and animals. (Photo by C. A. Ruggles)

### Parade and Picnic On Saturday Fare

The main rodeo parade at 10 o'clock in downtown Heppner and a public picnic at the court house park are main items of interest to fair goers Saturday morning. The big prize list for parade entries is expected to draw a large number of floats and special entries, William Smet-hurst, parade director, said this week.

A grand sweepstakes prize of \$50 will be awarded to the best float in the parade, and other big cash prizes await float winners in three divisions. There will be other divisions for juveniles, riding groups, family groups and others.

The chamber of commerce is providing the prize money and members of Pendleton's famous Main Street Cowboys will serve as judges for all entries. Several outside riding groups have indicated they will be here for the parade and there will be at least four visiting royal courts present.

Smethurst said early this week that all entries are asked to be in place by at least 9:30 Saturday morning. Elsewhere in today's paper is a map showing the area where the parade will form.

The parade route will also be changed this year with the route to be up Main street to May, east to the court house, North on Court street to the fair grounds where the line will disband. In past years the parade has doubled back along Main street, but heavy traffic congestion brought the route change for this year.

**Picnic At Noon**

Following the parade the county picnic will be held at the court house park with all royal courts and visiting bands are to be special guests. The picnic is sponsored jointly by the county court and the chamber of commerce, and chamber president, Phil Blakney, today reminded visitors that complete lunch will be provided for only visiting courts and bands. Coffee, punch and ice cream will be plentiful for everyone, however.

### Wranglers To Again Serve Sunday A. M. Cowboy Breakfast

The Wrangler riding club will again give their popular cowboy breakfast Sunday morning at the club house on the fair grounds. Dimple Munkers is in charge of the crew of fine cooks and gave assurance that there will be plenty of genuine cowboy food for all comers. Last year the club fed over 500 persons.

Breakfast will be served from 7 to 10 a. m.

### County Schools Set to Open for Fall Term

The Lexington school will open at 9 a. m. September 4, it was announced today by school officials. Buses will run on opening day but the cafeteria will not start operating until Wednesday.

The teaching staff will include Mrs. Alyce Waddell, first and second grades; Mrs. Juanita Carmichael, third and fourth; Mrs. Richard Meador, fifth and sixth; Serge Coval, seventh and eighth. High school teachers will be Bob Mathews, coach, Mrs. Nola Coval, Mrs. Bill Weatherford and Dale Waddell, principal. Custodian will be Leonard Munkers and bus drivers are Rev. Norman Northrup, Mrs. Ethel Dunbar, Mrs. Eldon Padberg, and Mrs. Leonard Munkers. Gladys Van Winkle will cook and Myrtle Marshall will be assistant in the cafeteria.

### Chamber Plans Wednesday Football Booster Breakfast

The chamber of commerce announced Monday it will not hold its regular weekly meeting next Monday noon due to the Labor Day holiday, but will instead have a breakfast meeting Wednesday morning, Sept. 5 at 7 a. m. The meeting will be in the form of a booster breakfast promoting the first home high school football game which will be played next Friday night against Walla-walla.

The chamber is also promoting the sale of season tickets for all home football games, the proceeds from the ticket sale to go into the field lighting fund.

### Firemen Fight Grass Blaze Wednesday

Heppner's first major grass fire in nearly two years occurred shortly after noon Wednesday and required nearly two hours of work by firemen to control.

The fire started on the Tom Fraters property near the western city limits of town just off Linden Way and burned over more than two square blocks of grass before being controlled. Two small sheds of the Fraters property were completely destroyed and the house caught fire several times. Also threatened were other houses, barns and buildings in the immediate area. Damage was not great.

The fire apparently started from sparks while children were digging a play fox-hole. It was fanned by a strong wind.

The high school will have four teachers this year, which is the first time for several years there will be four. A well rounded program is planned for all branches and grades, it was announced. The local P-TA has already started its work with the teachers' reception being planned for Friday, Sept. 7 at the gymnasium.

A teacher's meeting has been called for Friday at 10 a. m. and the county health nurse will be present to talk to the group.

The lone schools will also open on Tuesday. Buses will run their regular routes and registration will be from 9 to 11:30. Buses will return children to their homes at 11:30. A faculty meeting is set for Tuesday afternoon at 1 o'clock. Regular classes will start Wednesday morning.

Heppner schools will open one day later, on Wednesday at 8:45 when all pre-registered students will have the opportunity to change their registration to correspond with the new schedule. Incoming first-graders will be able to register either today, Friday or Tuesday.

The newly remodeled cafeteria will not be completed by the opening of school, superintendent Joe Stewart announced, so children must either bring lunches or make other arrangements for a short time.

### Special Rules Set For Horse Races

Rodeo officials and judges today announced rules which would be in effect for all horse races during this weekend's show. The rules have been set up in an effort to speed up start of the races, Harry Dinges, Bill Weatherford and Buck Lieuallen, starter, announced.

The rules are: 1—All races shall be run on the track as outlined by markers.

2—Penalties will be imposed on the horse for 1) crowding, 2) cutting in front of a horse without 1-horse length clearance, 3) whipping another horse or rider, or 4) in any way interfere with another horse.

3—All entries for races must be ready when race is called so as not to cause delay. Horse will be left out if not ready when called.

Mrs. William Tibbles of Los Angeles, California is visiting here with her son and daughter-in-law, Dr. and Mrs. L. D. Tibbles.

### All Divisions Take Advantage of Increased Space

Visitors to this year's fair will view the greatest number of displays in the show's history, as exhibitors poured in Wednesday with an ever-growing number of entries in all classes and divisions.

Some of the divisions which have shown the greatest increase are the needlework and produce sections, the 4-H beef and sheep divisions, and commercial and organization booths. Open class livestock entries have been heavy and an unusual interest has been shown in the wheat, hay and grain sections. All small livestock divisions are also well filled, making it a certainty that the 1956 fair is the largest ever held here.

Of top interest tonight (Thursday) is the 4-H style revue which will be held at 8 p. m. in the fair pavilion. The numerous 4-H club contests have been held throughout Wednesday, and judging in these divisions, as well as 4-H home economics sections will be completed by this afternoon so that all awards will be in place on winning entries by today. All judging of open class entries has also been completed.

#### Sale Friday Night

One of the highlights of the fair is always the 4-H and FFA fat stock auction sale which will be held at 7:30 Friday evening at the 4-H arena. An early count indicated that there will be at least 17 steers, 22 lambs and 7 pigs put on sale. N. C. Anderson said Wednesday that the quality of the animals to be auctioned is higher than at any time in recent years. Don Wink will be auctioneer.

The market price for beef is expected to be 24 to 25 cents, which is at least one cent above last year. As in the past, there will be no limit on bids for grand and reserve champion animals, but bidding on other stock will be limited to 10 cents over market price.

The annual pig scramble will be held in the arena just prior to the fat stock sale.

#### Display Space Doubled

The fair board this year doubled the amount of general display space available by allowing use of the entire fair pavilion building for this purpose. As a result the number of commercial and organization booths is greatly increased and the additional room has made possible much better display of all exhibits. Superintendents Wednesday expressed much pleasure with the number of new needlework, home produce and flower exhibits which have been entered and said that the 1956 show offers a much more well-rounded display than in previous years. Another division which has drawn considerable interest is the cake and cooking sections.

Of primary interest to all life youngsters is the carnival, and a new show started setting up on the grounds early this week. It is the Playland Shows of Portland and it offers a big variety of rides for kids of all ages.

Only one rodeo dance will be held this year, on Saturday night. The Friday night dance was dropped because the dance hall end of the pavilion has been taken over for exhibits. Music will be furnished by Ken Knott of Portland, a well known orchestra which has played here on many previous occasions. Persons interested in dancing, will be able to enjoy themselves Friday night, however, as the Heppner American Legion will have a public dance at the Legion hall. Music to be supplied by a Pendleton orchestra.

Other weekend events which are expected to draw interested crowds, though not directly a part of the fair, are the Wranglers cowboy breakfast served Sunday morning at the clubhouse on the fair grounds, the three rodeo shows, the main rodeo parade Saturday morning, and the county picnic at Noon Saturday at the court house park.

A complete program appears elsewhere in today's paper.

### Creek Water Not Good For Drinking, Children Are Warned

Parents and children were reminded this week that it is often dangerous to drink from outside water taps, especially in the area along Willow creek.

The reason for the warning is that many persons living along the stream pump from the creek water taken directly from the creek with no filtration is very impure. Several children have been seen recently drinking from such outside faucets.