

School Enrollment Tops 1200

Schools in Morrow county opened Monday with no problem greater than one school bus that failed to start, according to word from the county office.

All schools swung into operation with complete facilities on hand and prospects look good for an excellent year.

Enrollment exceeded 1200 for the first time, due primarily to increases in the number enrolled in the northern part of the county. First day total was placed at 1210 as compared with 1194 last year.

Riverside High school in Boardman, composed of Boardman and Irri-son students, climbed to 79 this year on the first day as compared with 73 last year, and Boardman elementary had 82 as compared with 55 last year. Total enrollment there this year on the first day, was 161 as compared with 128 last year.

At Houghton elementary, Irri-son, this year's total rose to 169 from 142 last year. Grades 5 through 8 include children from both Boardman and Irri-son.

One grade school had 146 on the first day as compared with 150 last year, but the high school there climbed to 59 as against 53 last year. Total in school there this year is 205 as compared with 203 on the first day in 1963.

In Heppner, total enrollment is down by three, 675 this year as compared with 678 last year. The high school this year starts with 217 as compared with 219 in 1963, while the grade school has 458 as compared with 453 last year.

Included in both Irri-son and Heppner grade schools are children from Lexington who attended school in Lexington last year.

Were it not for their numbers, enrollments in both cities would be down considerably.

Heppner High school's graduating class will be considerably larger than the class of 1964. Only 39 graduated last spring and 67 are in the class of 1965. All other three high school classes are down. There are 46 freshmen, down eight from last year; 52 sophomores and 52 juniors.

Supt. David Potter said that opening of school went smoothly. "There are plenty of little problems to be worked out, but that is expected," he said.

High School Principal Gordon Pratt was enthused about the caliber of students in Heppner High and the faculty that was on hand to teach them, and Elementary Principal Hillard Brown had equal enthusiasm at Heppner Elementary school.



MRS. EVA GRIFFITH, who as Eva Padberg was queen of the Morrow county rodeo in 1923—second year of the event, Sunday afternoon presented the Hamley and Company handmade saddle to Bill Fletcher of St. Paul, Oregon, as 1964 champion of Northwest Saddle Bronc Riding. Fletcher scored 510 points to win the coveted award. (G-T Photo)

St. Paul Bronc Rider Wins Bucking Title

Happiest cowboys in Heppner Sunday afternoon were Bill Fletcher of St. Paul, Oregon, who captured the Northwest Bronc Riding championship, and Max Hellberg of Irri-son, winner of Morrow County Amateur Calf Roping, at the 1964 Morrow county rodeo.

Fletcher received the traditional Hamley and Company award—a hand-tooled saddle given by the Pendleton firm. Hellberg received an equally beautiful saddle, given by Kinzua Corporation. It was made by Severe Bros. of Pendleton.

Despite unseasonably chilly weather with a penetrating wind blowing much of the time, the rodeo went off like clockwork during its two-day run, and the crowd may have been even slightly better than average.

A big crowd jammed the fair pavilion for the rodeo dance Saturday night, and the Wranglers cowboy breakfast Sunday morning fed about 400 persons.

Fletcher tallied 510 points to win the bronc busting crown, placing second on the first day with 168, behind Tony Bothum of Woodburn with 169, and winning the second go-around Sunday with 167. In the finals Sunday afternoon he was tops with 175.

Second in the averages was Dick Morris of Yelm, Wn., followed by Zack Keyes, Condon, third, and Bothum fourth. Morris won a pair of chaps from Severe Bros., Pendleton; Keyes received a pair of spurs from Western Outfitters of Yakima, Wn.; and Bothum was presented a buck rein from John van Belle, who furnishes stock for the rodeo. Awards were in addition to their purses.

In the amateur calf roping, Tad Miller won the first go-round in a time of 28.7, and Hellberg won the second go-round in 25.2. Second in the first go-round was Jerry Doughty with 30.6, followed by Tom Martin in third with 41.0. Second in the

ship contest, Dale Van Blokland, was chosen champion beef showman over junior beef showman Herbert Ekstrom III and intermediate beef showman Bob Harris.

Larry Pettyjohn, winner of the intermediate swine showman-ship contest was chosen as champion swine showman over junior showman Kirk Robinson. Larry was selected as reserve grand champion all around showman.

Trophies were provided for the junior showmen by Jordan Elevator, intermediate showmen by Lexington Oil Co. and senior by Morrow County Grain Growers. Trophies were also presented at this time to the junior and senior winners of the 4-H livestock judging contest. The junior contest was won by David Hall, receiving a trophy from Ford's Tire Service with senior winner Maureen Doherty being presented the Wes' Richfield plaque.

Teams to represent Morrow (Continued on page 4)

Football Breakfast Set Friday Morning

A "booster" football breakfast will be at the Wagon Wheel Cafe Friday morning at 7 a. m., held by the Chamber of Commerce. All members are invited to attend together with others who wish to come.

Coaches Jim Potter, Bob Clough, Joe Hausler, Athletic Director Pete Glennie, High School Principal Gordon Pratt and Elementary Principal Hillard Brown, who is arranging the breakfast, are expected to be present.

Cost of the breakfast will be \$1.25 per plate. Hot cakes, bacon, eggs and coffee are on the menu. All are urged to turn out to get a preview of the coming season and to give the coaches a good sendoff for the year ahead.

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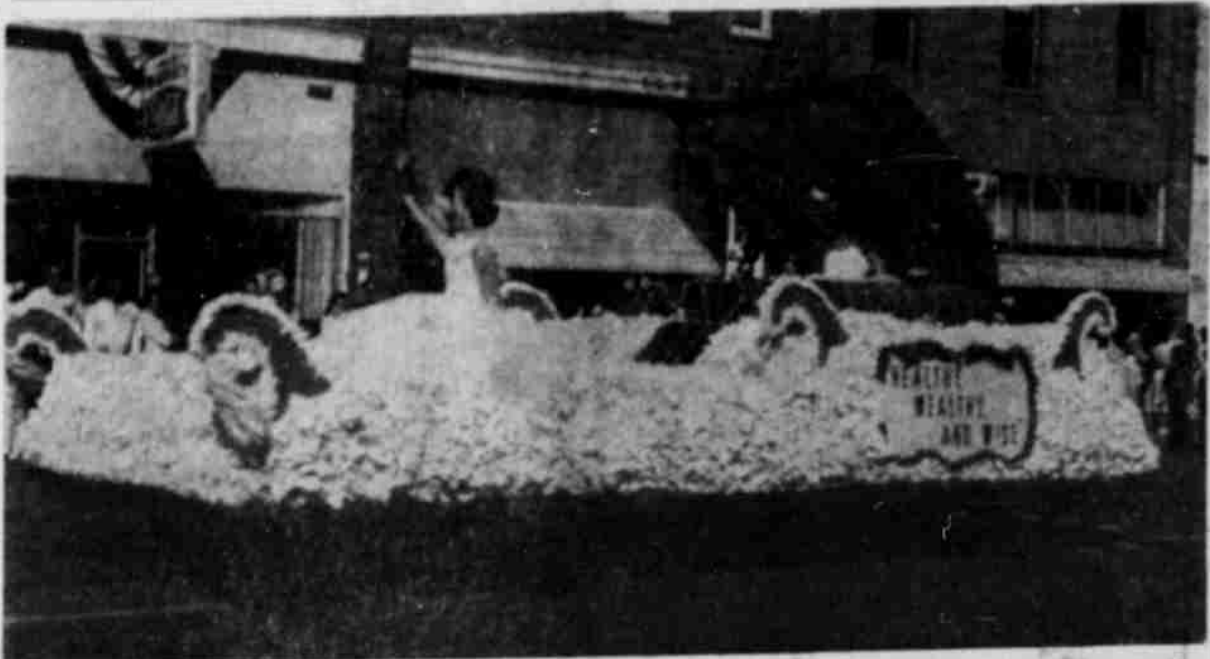
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SOROPTIMISTS FLOAT. "Healthy, Wealthy and Wise," was sweepstakes winner and tops in the organizations division in the rodeo parade Saturday. Susan and Linda Starks, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Starks, are shown on the float. Mrs. Leta Thomas was chairman of the float committee. Chamber of Commerce has voted to help send the sweepstakes winner to the Pendleton parade September 12. (G-T Photo)

Soroptimists Capture Parade Sweepstakes

Saturday morning was a beautiful time for a parade, and a beautiful parade it was. The event was a highlight of the 1964 Fair and Rodeo week, and thousands lined Heppner's Main street to watch. Outstanding out of town entries joined with a good representation of local entries, both serious and comic, to make it an enjoyable affair.

Randall Peterson, chairman for the sponsoring Chamber of Commerce, has received many fine comments on the parade, and in turn, has expressed thanks to all those who had a hand in staging it.

A perennial winner, the Soroptimist club, again captured grand sweepstakes with its gorgeous pink and lavender float following the quotation theme with the title, "Healthy, Wealthy and Wise." Linda and Susan Starks, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Starks, rode on the float to help depict the theme. A huge jewel box represented the wealth, the girls represented health, and a stack of books on which rested an owl, represented wisdom.

The Soroptimists won first in the adult organization division, \$25, as well as the sweepstakes, \$25, among adult organizations was the Mother's club with a home scene elaborating on the quotation, "The Family is Nature's Masterpiece." This won \$15 for the club. Third prize,

and \$10, went to the Lexington Rebekahs with its rollicking boat float. "Yo, Ho, Ho and a Bottle of Rum." Women of the organization were dressed as pirates, one complete with a peg leg.

Columbia Basin Electric Cooperative won the only prize in the commercial division, first and \$25, for its float, "Something Old, Something New." One end of the float showed the pre-electric days—wooden stove, youngsters taking a bath in a tub, as compared with modern (Continued on Page 5)

Summer's Final Holiday Monday

Summer's final holiday, Labor Day—which seems a little different this year with children already back in school for a week—will be Monday, September 7.

Most business houses will be closed for the holiday, school children and teachers will have the day off, and many families will take their last week-end trips and outings for the season. All public buildings, including the courthouse, city hall and post office, will be closed, and the Gazette-Times shop and office will be closed.

Fire Burns Debris On Pickup Truck; Pratt Keeps Date

Gordon Pratt had a rough time keeping a golf date Saturday afternoon. It involved a flat tire on a borrowed pickup truck, a fire in the pickup, and a general fire alarm during the rodeo performance.

But Gordon kept the date. Here's how it went: He borrowed a pickup from friend Eddie Gunderson to haul a load of trash to the dump yard. En route a tire went flat.

Gordon tried to jack up the pickup but couldn't get the jack to work. So he walked home and got his jack. Then he couldn't get the lug nuts off with the lug wrench in the truck.

All this time he knew he was suppose to meet friends at the golf course. So he decided to call a service station for help, and left the pickup to the care.

While Gordon was on the first fairway at the golf course, he heard the general fire alarm, precisely at 3:30 p. m. Eddie Gunderson in another part of town also heard it and thought what a shame it was to have a fire during the rodeo show.

Neither realized that the fire was in the pickup truck. In some manner, fire broke out in the trash in the truck, which was still sitting on the spot witting for Gordon to return after his round of golf.

La Verne Keithley, who had gone to the truck from the service station to change the tire, tossed out and extinguished the burning debris. When firemen arrived, including Chief Charlie Ruggles who had been enjoying the rodeo show, the situation was pretty well in hand. No damage was done to the truck.

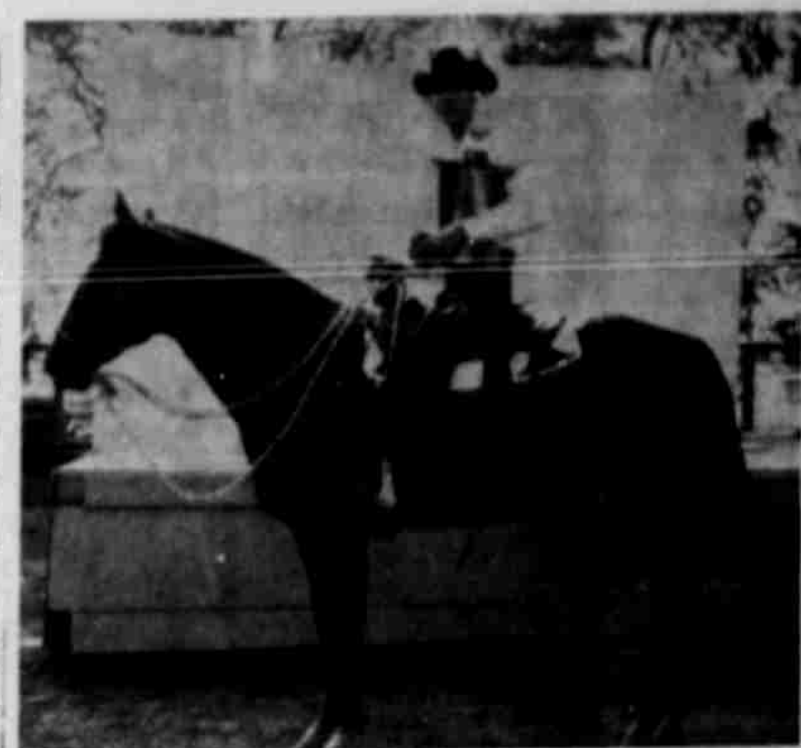
Gunderson's first word that he had a fire in his truck was when he met Harlan McCurdy Jr. downtown later, and Harlan asked him how much damage had been done.

WEATHER

By LEONARD GILLIAM
Weather for the week of August 27—September 2 is as follows:

	HI	Low	Prec.
Thursday	80	44	—
Friday	69	45	—
Saturday	74	44	—
Sunday	68	36	—
Monday	68	48	.02
Tuesday	68	49	—
Wednesday	70	38	tr.

Total precipitation for month of August was .17.



IVAL R. SULLIVAN of Irri-son won the first leg of the new Jerry Daggett revolving trophy at the Morrow county horse show Friday when his mount, King Pistol Ten, was judged grand champion performance horse of the show. Sullivan, shown on the horse with trophy and ribbon, must win the trophy two more years for permanent possession. (G-T Photo)

Irrigon Man's Horse Wins Daggett Trophy

Horse lovers of the area had a great day Friday at the 1964 Morrow county horse show with entries, halter and performance classes almost equalling last year's record. The show was

staged under sponsorship of the Heppner Wranglers as a part of the Morrow county fair with Fred Mankin superintendent, as he has been for many years.

Montana Woman Coming to Morrow As County Agent

Miss Donna George of Winston, Mont., has been employed by the Oregon State University extension service as county extension agent in home economics for Morrow county, N. C. Anderson, county agent in charge of the Morrow office, announces.

Miss George will fill the vacancy created with the death of Miss Esther Kirmis earlier this year.

The new agent comes with high recommendations. Anderson said. A 1963 graduate of Montana State College, she taught high school home economics at White Sulphur Springs, Mont., during the 1963-64 school year.

She has a background as a ranch girl in Montana, making her especially qualified for the county extension agent job here.

Miss George is not a newcomer to extension work as she served as a student extension agent assisting in weekly radio and television programs during her college years and has an eight year background as a 4-H member.

Her projects in junior leadership, foods, photography, clothing, entomology and range management give her broad experience. She won trips to 4-H Congress and to the Poultry Conference in Kansas City.

As a home economics student she received three honor college scholarships and is a member of honor societies including Phi Upsilon Omicron (home economics), Mu Beta Beta (4-H and extension) and Phi Kappa Phi (scholastic).

Besides her 4-H experiences, she has had various jobs during the summer which include counselor in YMCA girls camp, church youth camp, cooking on a dude ranch and general ranch work.

Miss George served as sponsor of the Future Homemakers of America and is a member of the American Home Economics association, Wesley (Methodist) Foundation and the National Education association.

She will report for work in Morrow county on September 9 at which time she will meet with the county home extension committee and the extension advisory council before starting her duties.

Grand champion performance horse trophy, donated as a 3-year revolving trophy by Jerry Daggett, was won for the first time by Ival R. Sullivan, Irri-son, with his entry, King's Pistol Ten, sired by Pistol Five out of Tender Girl. The trophy must be won three consecutive years for permanent possession.

Honors for reserve champion were shared by Ralph Beamer and Floyd Jones. Beamer's Domino Melody and Jones' Tico Chex each scored nine points in the competition. Sullivan's winner had 12 points.

Trophies donated by local establishments were won as follows: Class B, Lot 1, ponies, conformation and performance under saddle, to Patti Healy for Coke Bar, pony halter from Bank of Eastern Oregon.

Class C, Lot 1, junior equitation, 11 and under, to Becky Fullerton for Poco June, bridle from Heppner Lumber Co.

Class C, Lot 2, junior equitation, 12 to 16, Maralee Murray for Amanda Star, bridle from Heppner Lumber Co.

Class C, Lot 3, Western pleasure horse, riders 11 and under, Becky Fullerton for Poco June, halter from Dr. Jim Norene.

Class C, Lot 4, western pleasure horse, riders 12-16, Barbara Gribble for Blaze, bridle from Columbia Basin Electric.

Class C, Lot 5, western pleasure, riders 17 and over, Ival Sullivan for King's Pistol Ten, halter from Gray's Saddlery.

Class C, Lot 6, trail class, riders to 14 years, Marcia Jones for Billy, \$15 gift certificate from Elma's Apparel.

Class C, Lot 7, reining class, hackamore, horse under four years, to Floyd Jones for Tico (Continued on page 4)

District Office Hires Jay Huson

Jay Huson of Irri-son started work Monday in the office of the Heppner Soil Conservation district as field engineer, Ralph Richards, conservationist, announces.

Huson will do engineering work in connection with land leveling, diversion ditches and other conservation practices. He formerly was associated with the West Umatilla Soil Conservation district.

Huson, who expects to move to Heppner in a few months, is married, and the couple has three children, Kay, 13, Lee, 12, and Mary Gail, 6.

Auction Sale Good; Stock Awards Given

Everyone was a winner in the 4-H and FFA activities of the Morrow County Fair. A few were given special recognition last Thursday, however, for outstanding efforts in exhibits at the annual award presentation preceding the livestock auction sale.

All around grand champion livestock showman was Maureen Doherty, Heppner. Maureen having won the senior sheep showmanship contest and judged grand champion sheep showman, competing with intermediate sheep showman, Patty Healy and junior sheep showman, Michelle Miller.

Champion dairy showman was Terry Greenup who won as a senior and showed against the junior dairy showman, David Wright, and intermediate dairy showman, Nancy Doherty. Winner of the senior beef showman-county at State Fair were selected from scores of this contest and two others held during the year. On the livestock judging team will be David Hall, Maur-

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show.

New awards this year came from the Oregon Hereford association, going to the best Hereford project in both FFA and 4-H. Again David Hall won this year with Dean Robinson being winner for FFA.

Continuing with a special trophy started last year, the Oregon Pollettes made awards to Maureen Doherty in the 4-H class and to John Wagenblast in FFA for the best polled steer. The American Guernsey Cattle club presented Terry Greenup with a plaque as champion guernsey showman.

Another new award, this from the American Polled Hereford association, was presented to John Wagenblast, FFA, and David Hall, 4-H, as exhibiting the top polled females.

Kenneth Wright won the Herbert Ekstrom and Sons champion FFA hereford steer award.

Continuing this year, the 4-H herdsman project created a lot of competitive spirit. It was easy to note that club members were working hard to get their

name on this rotating trophy by having the cleanest stalls and animals on exhibit. The elaborate trophy presented for the first time last year to the Blackhorse Livestock club was won this year by the Hoof and Horn Livestock club of the Heppner Community. Judge Ron Black had a big job in judging exhibitors on their appearance, cooperation, team work, courtesy, conduct, friendliness, work done by 4-H members, animals clean and comfortable, regular feeding and care, securely tied, alley, bedding, stalls and pens clean, feed and equipment in good shape with stall cards up.

The annual pig scramble event before the livestock auction sale was a big attraction again with six boys and girls catching pigs which will be raised as 4-H projects during the year. Winning pigs in the scramble and required to exhibit them at the 1965 show were David, Dean and Dianne Wright, Vivian and Albert Phillips and Richard Partlow. (Continued on page 5)



TIM MOORE



JACK VAN WINKLE

6 More Win in Contest

Six more persons Saturday won merchandise certificates in the "Meet Our Town" contest sponsored jointly by Heppner business firms and the Gazette-Times.

Three of them correctly identified Jack Van Winkle of Van Winkle's Chevrolet Service and three identified Leslie W. (Tim) Moore of Tum-A-Lum Lumber Company. In each instance, they were the first three of quite a number who called at the firms to make the identifications. At Van Winkle's the winners

were Wes Marlatt, first; Bill Struthers, second; and Calvin Sherman, third. At Tum-A-Lum the winners were Melvin Moyer, first; Sylvia McDaniel, second; and Bill Struthers, third. Winners receive merchandise prizes worth \$5, \$3 and \$2 from the establishments.

Again, the two men identified are prominent in the Heppner business community and active citizens.

Moore has been manager of Tum-A-Lum Lumber Company (Continued on page 8)