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WEATHER

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August 9-15

	Hi	Low	Prec.
Wednesday	95	53	—
Thursday	95	59	—
Friday	97	61	—
Saturday	96	59	—
Sunday	98	59	—
Monday	97	58	—
Tuesday	99	58	—

Continued dry and hot weather persists, claiming to equal the dry years of 1929, 1931 and 1949 when no precipitation was recorded in the months of July and August.

Morrow Fair Due to Open Here Tuesday

Morrow county's 1967 fair will open Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock, and before its four-day run is completed with the county open horse show Friday, August 25, it is a certainty that a large share of the county's population shall have passed through the new ornamental gates.

Among them will be hundreds of exhibitors and a large number of spectators including visitors from out of the county.

Some 65 or 70 department superintendents have been working on plans for the fair, along with the fair board, the fair committee and Secretary Leona Smith.

Events which have been so popular in the past will be on the program again with one exception. The Rhea Creek Grange dinner, which in the past has been held on the Thursday evening of the fair, will not be held this year. Illness and other problems have cut the available crew from the Grange, and it was decided to cancel it this year.

But the 4-H Dress Revue will be back with some 50 girls participating on a new stage in the Wednesday night event. It will be held at 8 p.m. on that evening. The pig scramble, livestock auction sale, and livestock awards program is sure to attract a capacity crowd in the livestock arena Thursday night, with proceedings starting at 7:30.

The parade of pets will be earlier on Thursday, starting at 11:30, and the pet show will be from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m.

All manner of exhibits, including 4-H, FFA, open classes, community booths and others, will attract interest Tuesday through Thursday. On Friday, Morrow county's open horse show—for county horses only—will be the big event at the rodeo grounds with Superintendent Fred Mankin and his crew in charge. Like all events of the fair, this show is open to the public without charge, and all are invited to come and see Morrow county's best horses.

At 9 a.m. on Tuesday morning, 4-H and FFA entries open at the fair, and they close at 10:30. Judging will then begin immediately on all 4-H horse

economics exhibits. A special food preparation contest will be at 11 a.m.

At 12:45 on Tuesday a special meeting of all 4-H members is scheduled, and all are urged to attend.

Livestock judging contests for 4-H and FFA begin at 1 p.m. Tuesday. At the same time judging contests will commence in 4-H home economics, 4-H foods, 4-H clothing, 4-H knitting, and 4-H home improvement. A flower arranging contest will be held.

Open class flower and vegetable entries open at 3 p.m. on Tuesday, and at 3:30 p.m. 4-H agriculture and 4-H home economics demonstrations begin. Open class flower and vegetable entries close at 8 p.m. Tuesday but open again at 8 a.m. Wednesday, when all open class entries are open. Closing will be at 9 a.m. except for flowers, which will be open until 11:30 a.m.

Judging will begin at 9 a.m. Wednesday on open class fruits, vegetables, hay, and crops. At the same time 4-H junior and intermediate Dress Revue judging will start, as will 4-H livestock judging.

Senior Dress Revue judging will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday. At 1 p.m. Wednesday, 4-H knitting Dress Revue judging will be held. At 3 p.m. FFA livestock will be judged and rabbits and poultry will be judged. The event of the evening will be the Dress Revue at 8 p.m.

Showmanship judging in 4-H will start the third day of the fair, Thursday, at 9 a.m. after which will be the pet show at 10, and the parade of pets in the judging arena at 11:30. The all-around 4-H champion showmanship contest will be at 1 p.m., and open class livestock will be judged at 2 p.m. The evening program features the livestock auction, youth awards program, and the pig scramble.

Attracting keen interest is the cake baking contest sponsored by the Wheat League. Cakes will be brought to the pavilion at 8 a.m. Wednesday and judging will be at 9. Cakes are to be made at home, following the recipe for both cake and frosting printed in the fair premium book. Winner will not only receive the local premium but will continue on to state competition.

Mankin Lists Prize Donors for Show

Donors of prizes for the Morrow County Horse Show to be held Friday, August 25, at the fair grounds were announced Tuesday afternoon by Fred Mankin, show superintendent.

Those donating prizes for the show include The First National Bank, cow cutting; Bank of Eastern Oregon, western pleasure; Cornett Green, pony class; Gardner's Men's Wear, western pleasure; Elma's Apparel, trail class; Murrays Rexall Drug, bit reining; Jack Van Winkle's Flying A Motel and Chevron Station, hackamore reining class; Fred Mankin, OBR; Turner, Van Marter and Bryant; Columbia Basin Electric Co-op; Marv Malcom, Hepner Lumber Co.; P. W. Mahoney.

Helping Superintendent Mankin to run the big show will be Mrs. Frank Anderson, secretary; Gene Pierce, announcer; and Howard Bryant, ringmaster.

Superintendent Tightens School Expense Controls

Ron Daniels, new superintendent of the Morrow county school district, made it clear to the board of directors at their regular meeting Monday night that he expects to devote some of his energies towards a tighter control of school expenses.

This is necessary, he told the board, because the 1967-68 budget is expected to be a "close squeeze." An anticipated \$7000 budgeted as a cash carryover has not materialized, but instead has turned out to be a minus figure of some \$9000. If this year's budget breaks "fairly even," the \$15,000 deficit will be noticed at the start of the 1968-69 year.

The legislature, expecting that it will have to make up for a \$30,000,000 deficit because of a lag in the state's economy that has resulted in a decline of anticipated revenue, may make cuts in basic school support. This would not affect this year's budget, Daniels said, but would hit the 1968-69 budget.

In view of these circumstances, Daniels reported that he has held a meeting with school administrators, pointing out the necessity for tighter control of expenditures and asking for their cooperation.

He noted that the school board, in a previous action, has already taken \$4000 from its emergency fund for textbooks and that it appears the budget will be overexpended on contract bus runs.

No Surplus Expected

In the 1966-67 budget, there was a \$13,000 surplus in the instruction budget, which made up for deficits in other areas. However, Daniels said, "I am sure there will be no surplus in the teacher salary area this year."

He has taken steps to implement this planned tighter control. Daniels said that he plans to continue giving a district-wide financial report monthly, and in addition, expects to attempt to have an itemized statement from each school.

Administrators have been asked to keep an accurate record of this information. Daniels said that he hopes that this will create an awareness of what money is left for each school.

Insulator Shot; Reward Offered

Very few power users in the area realize it, but Morrow and Gilliam counties just missed a general blackout over the weekend as a result of malicious vandalism of someone who shot an insulator from the high voltage transmission line serving the area.

Harley Young, manager of Columbia Basin Electric Co-op, said that the help of a telephone company lineman prevented the outage. The man spotted a high voltage wire dangling at a location near the Lexington city dump. He notified the power company before a short-circuit occurred, and a crew was dispatched to repair the damage.

Cost of the repairs was probably \$200 or more, Young said, but this was light compared to what it would have been if an outage had occurred. The manager said that only a high-powered rifle could have shattered the supporting insulator.

Columbia Basin has a standing reward of \$250 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of anyone who maliciously damages the power lines. Further details are on another page.

He said that the reward is offered to apply specifically to cases like this and asks the cooperation of the public in submitting information.

and will check a tendency to overexpend sums available that he felt previously occurred simply because administrators did not know what was remaining.

He told the board that he is convinced there are areas where economies can be effected.

But at the same meeting the board reluctantly took action to authorize an expenditure that slipped them another \$777 behind. They had called for bids on intercommunications systems at Hepner Elementary school and A. C. Houghton school. The budget committee had approved a total of \$3400—\$2500 for Hepner Elementary and \$900 for Houghton—for this purpose.

However, the only bid came in at \$4177 for the total job. After considerable discussion and upon the superintendent's rather reluctant recommendation, the board voted, 4 to 3, to accept the bid of the Manchester Company on the work. It was necessary for Chairman Don McElligott to vote to break a 3-3 tie.

Daniels said that although he was loath to recommend accepting the bid, he felt that waiting a year would find costs higher. Principal Al Martin was called upon to explain the need for the intercom system, and he pointed out some of the problems involved in communications between the three elementary buildings here including the gymnasium as well as inside each building.

The superintendent said that he believed the \$777 could be picked up by curtailing other budgeted items.

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School to Start In Morrow County On September 5

Classes in all Morrow county schools will start on a full schedule on Tuesday, September 5, the day following Labor Day, Superintendent Ron Daniels announces.

A full day of school will be held on the opening Tuesday with buses running their regular routes on their usual schedules. Cafeterias in all schools will also be in operation beginning with the first day.

At Hepner High school a counselor will be available from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. on August 21 through August 25 to discuss scheduling and other problems with those students desiring help. Mrs. Violet Lanham will give this assistance.

Hepner Elementary school will register new students and first grade students on Thursday, August 24, from 9 a.m. until noon and from 1 until 4 p.m. Al Martin, principal, announces.

All other schools will hold registration on September 5 during the morning classes. Parents are reminded that first grade students must present birth certificates at the time of registration to verify age. First and ninth grade students are also required by law to have physical examinations prior to starting school. The exams must be confirmed on Oregon Pupil Medical Record forms provided by the school or the county health office.

Teachers in the Morrow county district will begin work on August 29 with a television institute being conducted in Pendleton.

The days of August 30 and 31 will find the respective school faculties in their individual school buildings where faculty meetings will be held and classrooms will be prepared for the start of school.



EAST SQUAD for the Shrine football game in Pendleton Saturday night includes (top row, from left)—Wm. Correll (68), Neil Kniskern (70), Neil McMillan (72), Tom Such (74), Tom Frazier (76), Richard Rasmussen (78), Gordon Winters (80), Steve Cox (82), Kenneth Matlack (84), Steve Benson (86), George Moody (88); (center row)—Shriner Ron Baker, Jim Doherty (34), Larry Clasen (40), Neal Hommel (44), Lynn Schaefer (50), Wendell Kroder (52), Jim Recla (60), Roy Mosser (62), Richard Richmond (64), James Batzer (66), Assistant Coach, Pat Fleming; (front row)—Manager Jack McConnell, Manager Kirk Brown, Craig Rucker (12), Dennis Davidson (20), Dan Courtney (22), Head Coach Arnie Lewis, Joe Erickson (24), Gary Johnson (30), William Steber (32), and Trainer Archie Dunsmoor.



JIM DOHERTY, outstanding Hepner High back, is scheduled to play fullback on offense and halfback on defense for the East in the Shrine A-2 and B All-Star football game in Pendleton Saturday night. (Turner-Jensen Photo).

Jim Doherty Spurs Interest In Shrine All-Star Game

Spurred by the interest in Hepner High's sparkling athlete, Jim Doherty, tickets to the Shrine All-Star football game in Pendleton Saturday night have been selling fast, and a large group of Morrow county fans will be on hand to see the game in Round-Up Stadium.

Dr. L. D. Tibbles, who has been handling sales here, reported early this week that all the choice tickets had been sold, but he still had some available at the going price of \$3 each for those who had not yet made purchases. Any who still want to buy, however, will have to hurry for the next turn in his sales by noon today (Thursday). All proceeds go to the Shrine Hospital for Crippled Children in Portland.

Doherty is scheduled to play fullback on offense and halfback on defense for the East A-2 and B squad, which is coached by Arnold Lewis of Vale High school.

Game time is at 8 p.m. but most of those attending will go early to watch the parade at 3 p.m. and to see the pageantry beginning at 7 p.m.

"No man stands so straight as one who stoops to help a crippled child" and "Strong legs run so that weak ones might walk again" are the game mottoes of the event which is sponsored by all the Shrine clubs of Eastern Oregon. Harry A. Myers of Condon is general chairman.

Coach Lewis of the state champion Vikings will pit his stars from the best of the East's high school seniors of 1966-67 against Coach Marv Delplanche's West ace, Delplanche coaches at North Catholic High in Portland. Assistants are Coach Pat Fleming of Wallowa High

school for the East and Coach John Partanen of Harrisburg High for the West.

Since Sunday, August 6, the teams have been in training with the East working out at La Grande and the West in Pendleton.

In the 15 year history of the All-Star event the West has taken quite an edge in victories, posting nine as compared to five for the East. One game ended in a tie.

Queen of this year's pageant is Darlene Kuehn, 13, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kuehn of Milton-Freewater. She is in the eighth grade at Milton-Freewater. Darlene was first admitted to the Portland Shrine Hospital on June 2, 1966, for treatment of curvature of the spine. She wears a body brace and will continue to receive out-patient treatment at the hospital. Queen Darlene was a distinguished visitor in Hepner at the time of the Sidewalk Bazaar in early July.

Parade in the afternoon Saturday will feature more than 35 colorful bands and marching units from the El Katif Shrine Temple of Spokane, and Al Kader Temple of Portland. The parade will go through downtown Pendleton and will end at the Round-Up grounds.

Pageantry will begin in the Round-Up Stadium with the firing of a sky bomb at 7 p.m. Massed flags from all units will lead the procession. When assembled, almost 1,000 persons will have places on the field in graphic illustration of the game's motto.

Halftime activities will feature the Baker Elks Boy Scout Drum and Bugle Corps, which will perform several musical numbers on the field. Topping off the mid-game entertainment will be a fireworks display conducted by the Pendleton Fire Department.

Mel Moyer Home Destroyed; Monday Fire Hits Bunch Land

Two ranches of the Hepner area suffered in destructive fires that hit during the week's hot weather.

Home of Melvin Moyer on a ranch that he and his brother, Ellis Moyer, own in Blackhorse Canyon was destroyed by fire last Wednesday afternoon with loss estimated at \$12,000. Included in the fire was a truck loaded with 180 bushels of wheat and a shed.

Fire broke out Monday near the Bob Mahoney residence in the Clarks Canyon area and wouldn't quit even though it was thought extinguished after burning less than five acres on the Al Bunch place. The alarm was sounded during the noon hour, and Hepner firemen took the rural truck and Jeep to the scene. With neighbors who came to battle the blaze, the firemen soon had it checked and apparently out. They returned to Hepner. But a whirlwind fanned some embers and tossed them in other grass and stubble, and the blaze took off again. This time it swept over some 500 acres on the Bunch ranch, going clear to Cason Canyon and taking an unused old barn in its path.

Firemen hustled back out and fought the blaze, along with a large crew of volunteers who came to help, until after 4 p.m. This time, the firemen stayed and watched for another hour or so. Bunch had completed his harvest, and so lost no wheat, but he had expected to use the area for winter range.

The old barn was on the Bob Jones place, he said. The fire ran into the Marcel Jones place. Although it started near Mahoney's it didn't hit the Mahoney place. Origin of the fire remains undetermined.

The fire at the Moyer place apparently started from sparks from a trash barrel where refuse was being burned. Melvin Moyer and his son, Bruce, were there at the time, but Hepner firemen were delayed because the person who relayed the message on the fire over the telephone failed to give the location. By the time the department arrived, the house was gone.

Neighbors came when they were notified of the fire, but they, too, were too late to be of help and virtually all of the household goods and personal belongings were destroyed. Moyer said that insurance partially covers the loss. He is considering buying a house trailer for a residence on the place, he said, since he lives alone there.

Moyer said that he tried to drive the truck to safety, but tires were ablaze and he had to give up. Gusto winds swept the fire through dry grass to spread it quickly. About two acres of grass and stubble were also consumed.

Another fire in stubble was reported by Ken Batty on a ranch he operates at Hardman. The fire occurred Saturday and was confined to 20 acres through the help of residents and Forest Service men who happened to drive by in a rig at the time of the blaze.

Grain Exhibits Due August 22

All grain, hay and grass entries for the 1967 Morrow County Fair should be at the fairgrounds by Tuesday afternoon, August 22, according to Bill Rawlins, division superintendent.

Field crops judging is scheduled to begin Wednesday morning by Vance Pumphrey, Agronomist at the Union Experiment Station.

Grain exhibits will be one peck. Entries should be more than this to account for cleaning losses, Rawlins said. Hay entries should be about 10 pounds or a 4 to 6 inch bale slice. Full bales will be accepted.

Grain, grass and hay sheaves to be eligible for the state fair must be 3 to 4 inches in diameter, cut near ground level and tied with 3 strings. Smaller sheaves will be accepted for local exhibit.



STUART DICK (center) received a Certificate of Recognition from the American Red Cross at the Monday meeting of the Hepner-Morrow County Chamber of Commerce with Bob Abrams, Morrow county chapter chairman, making the presentation. The certificate cited Dick, lifeguard at the Hepner municipal pool for "extraordinary personal action in saving the life of Judy Devore on July 13, 1967." The lifeguard pulled the young woman from the bottom of the pool and administered mouth-to-mouth artificial respiration until she regained consciousness. Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Dick, Stuart's parents, witnessed the presentation and were honored at the meeting. (G-T Photo).



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