

### Haines Rodeo Set For July 4th Weekend

"The Biggest Little Rodeo in the Northwest," so named by the Haines Stampede and Rodeo Association at their recent meeting, will be held July 4, 5, and 6, at the stampede grounds in Haines on U. S. Highway 30, between Baker and LaGrande. Show time will be 1:30 p.m. daily.

The annual rodeo is in its seventh year and this year's show is expected to be bigger and better than ever before.

Stock contractors are the Northwest Rodeo Producers of Pine and Eagle valley, well noted for their excellent rodeo stock.

Reigning over the three day show is Queen Barbara Gardner of Baker. Princesses in the rodeo court are Jean Calloway of Baker and Donna Rae Kester of Durkee.

Contestants wishing to enter any events are urged to sign up early in order to be sure of getting stock. Rodeo headquarters will be at the City Hall in Haines. Books will close at 8:00 p.m. on the evening of Thursday, July 3.

Events featured in this year's show will be saddle bronc riding, wild cow milking, amateur team roping, amateur calf roping, bull riding, Jackpot events will be junior pole bending, open pole bending, junior Texas barrel racing, open Texas barrel racing and cow hide race. Further information may be obtained by contacting Ruth Clark, secretary, 503-856-2575.

Mrs. Clara Gerison was a guest of her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. (Irene) Anhorn, in Central Point early this month. She attended graduation ceremonies at Crater High school, where her granddaughter, Cathy Anhorn, received her diploma on June 5. An honor student, Cathy was in the top 5% of her class of 210 graduates, and plans to continue her studies next year at Oregon State University.

Mrs. Olive Hughes left last week to spend the summer at the home of her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hughes, and family, at Sutherland. She also attended the graduation of her granddaughter, Pam Hughes, at Monroe High school last Thursday night. Her son, Tom, will occupy her home here this summer, while employed with the Forest Service.

### Wheat Marketing Meeting Slated At Ione late June

Four meetings slated for various parts of the state in late June will bring grain handlers, growers and county agents up to date on quality grades and other elements essential to successful marketing of Oregon's wheat.

The meetings, each of which will be held in the afternoon, starting at 1 p.m., are to be at Wasco, Pendleton, Ione and Rickreall.

They are being sponsored by the Oregon Department of Agriculture. Oregon Wheat Commission, the Pacific Northwest Grain Dealers Association, and Oregon State University, and are open to any persons growing wheat, marketing and handling it in any way in preparation for market.

The Ione meeting will cover Morrow and Gilliam counties. County agricultural agent offices of the counties have the information on where the meeting places will be.

During the session Ralph McEwen, executive secretary of the Oregon Wheat Commission, will review the wheat market; Allen Plummer and Merle Dement, chief and assistant chief, respectively, of the Grain Division of the Oregon Department of Agriculture, will discuss "What's New in Grain Grading"; the wheat quality survey in the Pacific Northwest will be explained by Dale Stuart of the Agricultural Development Division of the Oregon Department of Agriculture; Leroy Warren, Pendleton Grain Growers, will discuss grain sanitation; and at each of the schools the visual segregation of wheat protein will be covered in detail with the help of a new protein segregation tray.

These trays, which contain samples of wheat with varying amounts of protein, are being made up by the Oregon Department of Agriculture's Grain Division personnel and will be available to grain warehouses and elevators as an aid in identifying grain for segregation by protein content.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Jones and family left last Wednesday for a vacation camping trip to Canada, where they expect to spend about two weeks sightseeing.

### Morrow County CROP-WEATHER SUMMARY

(For week ending June 8, 1969)

Barley turning in some areas. Most wheat headed out. Early potato vines nearly meeting in rows. Crop looks good. Higher elevation ranges excellent. Haying underway in all areas of the county.

### 27 County Youth To Spend Week At 4-H Sessions

By BIRDINE TULLIS Extension Aide

On Monday, June 16, 27 Morrow county 4-H members will board the bus for 4-H Summer School in Corvallis. While spending the week on the OSU campus the delegates to summer school will participate in educational and personal development classes; recreation and special interest events.

Elected by the delegates to serve as county representatives this year are Keith Nelson, Ione, and Patti Healy, Heppner. Both Keith and Patti have been active members of 4-H for many years, and have both recently completed their senior year of high school.

Scholarships for the delegates to Summer School have been provided by various local businesses and groups.

Delegates from Heppner are: Judy Bennett, Jeanne Daly, Becky Doherty, Rick Drake, John Hall, Tracie Norene, Dee Ann Pettyjohn, Shelly Wolff, Dianna Wright, Patti Healy; Echo, Pat-ty Luciani; Ione, D. Ann Barnett, Carley Bergstrom, Shauna Bergstrom, Cheri Carlson, Sandi Carlson, Cindy Ekstrom, Herbie Ekstrom, Jane Krebs, Kathleen McElligott, and Mary M. McElligott; Irrigon, Steve Acocik, Darwin Christiansen, David Richards, Kelli Snyder, Leon Wilson; Lexington, Craig Munkers.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Martin and family of Ione left last week for Spearfish, S. D., where he will attend summer school at Black Hills State college. Mrs. Martin and the children will stay in Waterloo, Iowa, with relatives while her husband is attending school. The couple teaches in the Ione schools.

# FARM

## Cooperation is Key To Rural Fire Control

By HAROLD KERR Morrow County Extension Agent

At a meeting last week representatives from the City Fire Department and the U. S. Forest Service met with the Morrow county ranchers who have county equipment on their places to discuss the serious fire situation. They all agreed that cooperation between the various agencies and individual ranchers is the key to a successful fire prevention season.

Everyone working together as in the past should be a big step toward controlling any possible fires this season.

**GRASS, WEEDS HEAVY**  
Grass and weed growth is unusually heavy this summer. Across the entire county there is growing concern about it. The late, wet spring set the stage for grass, weed and grain fires that may strike disaster if they are caught unprepared.

**SUGGESTIONS LISTED**  
It is suggested that each farmer and rural dweller carefully consider these precautions:  
Remove dead grass and weeds from a strip at least 10' wide around all buildings.

Protect fields of grain or other crops that can burn before harvesting by a fire break completely around the field. Divide large fields.

Place hay stacks as far apart as possible and protect with fire breaks.

Stack hay away from buildings.

By all means carry a back pump, or a water can with sacks, on the combine.

The State Fire Marshal urges this simple precaution as of first importance. Keep water barrels and sacks ready around other operations, and around the barn.

A plow or disk in the field is worth two dozen in the shed for controlling a harvest fire. Pull one into the field along with the combine.

Upturned exhausts have been widely adopted to prevent gasoline and diesel engines from starting harvest fires. Spark arrestors and shields are safety factors if dust and chaff are prevented from accumulating on them.

Keep engines free of dust and oil accumulation; screen radiators.

Have farm equipment ready to meet a grass fire. The back pump is very effective, and is generally obtainable at hardware stores. A spray rig will put out more fire with less water than any other fire fighting equipment. Keep equipment full of water and ready to move. Shovels and heavy hoes have their place, too.

Tell your neighbors what you are doing to be prepared, and that you stand ready to help them. Have neighborhood arrangements for emergencies.

Know how to report fires.

**TIPS ON HOW TO FIGHT A GRASS OR GRAIN FIRE**

1. Size up the fire, determine where fire is spreading fastest, where it is most likely to get into grain or other valuable crops, or where it might ignite buildings, fences, or other valuable property.

2. Attack fastest spreading points, but if these are too hot to work on, pinch off the fire by working on the flanks.

3. Beating is best method of attack. Use wet sacks, swatters,

or green boughs. Swipe into the fire to prevent scattering sparks. Loose dirt is effective when fanned into the fire edge with a shovel. Water under force is effective. Back pack pumps, tank trucks, or power sprayers can be used.

4. If grain or grass fires have a start, plows or disks pulled by tractors should be used to make a trail ahead of the fire which can be used to directly stop the fire or as a line from which to base a backfire. Plows have some advantages. Disk plows are good but require more patrolling since the trash is not completely covered.

5. Backfiring should be done only as a last resort and then by an experienced man under the direction of the man in charge of the fire.

6. Sparks from the main fire often start other fires. Look for these spot fires and put them out immediately.

7. As soon as the spread of the fire has been stopped, go over the burned area and put out all fire. This will prevent the fire from doing further damage or getting a new start.

**TOOLS**  
Wet sacks, boughs, swatters, back pack cans, barrels, milk cans, buckets—anything to carry water, tank trucks, spray tanks, power pumps and hose, shovels, hose, mattsacks, axes, plows, disks.

**EQUIPMENT AVAILABLE**  
The following is a list of Morrow county owned fire district equipment and cooperators:

1. Jerry Brosnan, 676-5237—100 gal. FF unit on skids
2. Jim & Darold Hams, 676-5852 or 676-5230—100 gal. FF unit on skids
3. Don Heliker, 422-7160—100 gal. FF unit
4. Roy Martin, 989-8487—Jeep sta. wagon w/100 gal. FF unit
5. Kenneth Peck, 989-8451—100 gal. FF unit on skids
6. Rietmann Bros., 422-7120—1/4 T. Jeep w/100 gal. FF unit
7. Jack Sumner, 676-5364—100 gal. FF unit on skids
8. Terry Thompson, 676-9770—3/4 T. power wgn. w/500 gal. FF unit
9. Harold Wright, 676-5310—100 gal. FF unit
10. Keith Rea, 422-7191—800 gal.—6x6 2 Hydro 1500 pump—2 hoses

These folks, along with many others, have volunteered many hours of time and effort in fighting fires in the past. Don't hesitate to show your appreciation to them.

**Pomona to Meet At Boardman Hall**  
Monthly meeting of the Morrow County Pomona Grange will be Saturday, June 21, at the Boardman Grange hall. The meeting was advanced from the regular date of June 28.

All grangers in the county are encouraged to attend the meeting, scheduled to convene at 10:30 a.m., with noon lunch to be served by the host grange.

Miss Pat Cassidy, biology instructor at Heppner High school during the past year, left last Sunday for Corvallis, where she will attend summer school. She also plans a visit with her parents at their home in St. Helens.

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This honor is shared by their Father, Henry Peterson, and other members of the Conservation-minded Family and by Holmes Gabbert whose ranch they also operate.

THEIR ACHIEVEMENT WILL BE RECOGNIZED AT A STATE CONSERVATION MAN OF THE YEAR

## FIELD DAY

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 18, AT THE PETERSON BROS. RANCH, IONE, STARTING AT 10 A.M.

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