

Pendleton, eat your heart out!

World's best cowboys storm Heppner Rodeo

The Heppner Rodeo lived up to its advertised slogan, "Fastest Rodeo in the West," when an unprecedented 10 out of the top 15 RCA-rated cowboys in the nation joined 279 other performers in setting up the two-day extravaganza.

The 289 cowboys were competing for a total RCA prize fund of \$9,770. The RCA all-around cowboy title at the Heppner Rodeo went to Tom Ferguson, San Martin, Ca., with a purse of \$771.75 and a set of tires. Second all-around went to Bob Ragsdale, Chowchilla, Ca., \$651.70 in prize money.

Larry Mahan, Dallas, Tex., No. 1 all-around cowboy in the nation, flew his own plane into Lexington International Airport, spent two hours at hard work, and flew off with \$322.40 prize money. His winnings, now at about \$50,000 for the season, is expected to top \$60,000 before the fall rodeos end.

Ragsdale, the No. 2 all-around cowboy in the nation, has earned more than \$30,000 so far this season.

Rodeo performers entered from Oregon, Washington, Texas, Idaho, California, Nevada, Arizona, Wyoming, Montana, Colorado, Iowa, Oklahoma, Canada and Australia.

The winners:
All-around RCA cowboy: 1st, Larry Mahan, Dallas, Tex.; 2nd, Bob Ragsdale, Chowchilla, Ca.; 3rd, Tom Ferguson, San Martin, Ca.; 4th, Doug Brown, Silverton, Ore., No. 5 in the nation; 5th, Leo Camarillo, Donald, Ore., No. 6 in the nation; 6th, Jack Ward, Odessa, Tex., rated 6th in the nation; 7th, Ronny Sewalt, Chico, Tex., 8th in the nation; 8th, Mel Hyland, Surry, B.C., Canada, RCA rated 13th in the nation.

Saddle Bronc: 1st, Larry Mahan; 2nd, Darrel Kong, Kaycee, Wyo., RCA rated No. 3 in the nation in this event; 3rd, Doug Brown; 4th, Mel Hyland, No. 10 nationally; 5th, Cleve Loney, Highwood, Mont., rated No. 12 (winner at Heppner); 6th, Marvin Joyce, East Helena, Mont., rated No. 14.

Bareback riding: 1st, Joe Alexander, Cora, Wyo., RCA rated No. 1 in the nation; 2nd, Jack Ward, rated No. 4 in this event in the nation; 3rd, Scotty Platts, Lyman, Wyo., rated No. 5; 4th, Larry Mahan, No. 6 in this event; 5th, Jimmy Dix, N. Col., West Australia, rated No. 7 nationally; 6th, J.C. Trujillo, Prescott, Ariz., No. 10 in RCA standing; Steve Cosca, Oakland, Ca., No. 12 nationally.

Bull riding: 1st, Larry Mahan, and RCA rated first in the nation in this event; 2nd, Doug Brown, No. 2 rated; 3rd, John Quintana, Creswell, Ore., No. 5 nationally; 4th, Jack Kelley, Deer Lodge, Mont., rated No. 9.

Calf roping: 1st, Ronny Sewalt, Chico, Tex., RCA rated No. 2 for this event; 2nd, Bob Ragsdale, rated No. 3; 3rd, Stan Harder, Phoenix, Ariz., rated No. 6; 4th, Tom Ferguson, rated No. 8; 5th, Jeff Copenhager, Long Creek, Ore., rated No. 9.

Steer Wrestling: 1st, Bob Marshall, San Martin, Ca., RCA rated No. 1 in the nation in this event; 2nd, Tom Ferguson, rated No. 3; 3rd, Bob Ragsdale, rated No. 4; 4th, Tommy Puryear, Norman, Okla., rated No. 7; 5th, Bob Christophersen, Sioux City, Ia., No. 9 in the nation.

Team Roping: 1st, Leo Camarillo, RCA rated No. 1 in the nation in this event.

Tom Ferguson is completing his first year in RCA competition, and is an outstanding candidate for Rookie of the Year. His showing at Heppner will boost his chances.

RCA cowboy place, points or time, and winnings:

Bareback riding: 1st, Mahan, 75 points, \$322.40; 2nd, Trujillo, 72, \$249.30; 3rd (split) Doug Flannigan and Alvin Deal, 68, \$124.60 each.

Saddle bronc: 1st, Cleve Loney, 75, \$308.88; 2nd, Bart Brower, 73, \$231.66; 3rd, Hyland, 71, \$154.44; 4th, Doug Vold, 66, \$77.22.

Bull riding: 1st, Quintana, 71, \$427.28; 2nd, Larry Davis, 69, \$320.46; 3rd, Doug Brown, 68, \$213.64; 4th, Lee Eddins, 65, \$106.82.

Calf roping: 1st, Leo Woodbury, 11.4 second, \$480.20; 2nd, Ferguson, 11.6 \$360.15; 3rd, Ragsdale, 12.4, \$240.10; 4th, Donnie Yandell, 12.9, \$120.05.



Carl Schnable makes bronc riding look easy as he tries to stay atop Black Hawk for the necessary 8 seconds.

"Let me show you this one!" shouted Mike Currin, 8, to spectators at the pet show as he mounted this sheep. The reaction was unexpected, as this candid photo shows. The sheep, far from docile, broke into a fit of bucking that produced this startled expression on Mike's face just before he lost his seat and hit the sawdust. The next most surprised person was the photographer, Ernie Ceresa, who almost got "wiped out" by the charging sheep a split second after he snapped the picture.

Rules for registering at elementary school

At Heppner Elementary School, Friday, Aug. 31, is set for students new to the district to register for school.

Returning students will receive registration forms the first day of school, Tuesday, Sept. 4. Registration fees and lunch tickets may be paid for at the school office any time.

School supply lists are available at the school and are posted at Heppner stores for grades 1-8.

Five new faces will be among the teaching staff for the new year. Teaching in the 5th grade position, replacing Miss Glavey, will be Mrs. Suzanne Sherman; Ed Shergard math and coach. Mrs. Kathy Terney will teach 7th and 8th grade language arts and the speech-drama elective. Resource room instructor this year will be Miss Virginia Liebertz, and the band position for grades 5 through 12 will be filled by James Ackley.

Tuesday, Sept. 4, will be a short school day beginning with regular bus runs and starting time of 8:30 a.m. and dismissal at 1:30 p.m. with buses running at that time.

Wednesday, Sept. 5, will begin the regular schedule of classes. Town students are asked not to be at school until 8:20 a.m., at which time the first buses arrive and doors open. The first bell rings at 8:30 with the tardy bell ringing at 8:35. Noon lunch dismissals begin at 11 a.m. for 1st graders and are staggered until 11:55 for grades 7 and 8. Grades 1-4 return to classes at 12:15 and grades 5-8 return at 12:45.

Afternoon dismissal for grades 1 and 2 will be at 2:30 p.m.; grades 3-4, 3 p.m. and grades 5-8 at 3:30. All buses will run at 3:30 p.m.

Parents are reminded that Heppner Elementary students are expected to eat lunch at school or at home. They are

not allowed to eat downtown.

In compliance with the new state law requiring immunization of all children prior to entering school in Oregon, the Morrow County Health Department is setting up a clinic for the needed shots at the school. Further information will be made available as final arrangements are completed.

Josephine Mahoney Baker dies at 79

Josephine Mahoney Baker, one of Heppner's most colorful pioneer figures, died in Portland, Aug. 23, at the age of 79.

Mrs. Baker was born in Heppner, Aug. 27, 1893, the daughter of Walter A. and Rosa B. Richardson.

Aug. 3, 1919, she was married to Kenneth K. Mahoney, who died Dec. 22, 1927. They lived in Heppner where Mr. Mahoney was connected with the First National bank, a locally owned bank at that time.

June 23, 1950, she was married to Frank W. Baker in Heppner and lived here where Mr. Baker was owner of Baker Plumbing and Heating. In 1954 they moved to Kennewick, Wn., where they built a home at 23 South Underwood. They remained there until Mr. Baker's death in 1957. Mrs. Baker remained in Kennewick until 1962, when she moved to Portland's Terwilliger Plaza.

Finishing school, Josephine Richardson worked in the court house in Heppner, in the abstract office for Will Smith, and later for P.A. Anderson. Then for a short time, she worked in a title and insurance office in Eureka, Ca. Returning to Heppner, she began writing a daily column for the East Oregonian in Pendleton under her name, Josephine Mahoney. She also ran a notable paragraph at the end of the day's work, "Seen along life's highway." Also during this time, she represented the Associated Press and the Oregonian and

Even though farmers haven't finished harvesting and marketing this year's crops, in Morrow County it's not too soon for them to begin planning how to sell the things they'll raise next season, a local farm official points out.

"This is especially true if producers want to consider new marketing methods not

locally available and discuss them with those in the trade with whom they normally deal," says David McLeod, Morrow County Executive Director for the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service (ASCS).

There are several forward marketing methods by which farmers can fix their per unit prices for 1974 crops, either now or at a later date when the market looks best to them, the county executive director said.

Market demand for food and fiber at home and abroad is signaling the need for full production next year, he pointed out. Program changes already announced for '74 will permit use of all land for crop production.

"Even though there is strong demand and good farm prices, producers will want to look into the best ways to market their crops now that the government is no longer involved in holding huge Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC) stocks of grain," McLeod said. "This includes

reviewing the market -- as many are already doing -- and picking both the price and the method of locking in price that works best for them and guarantees a fair return on the land, labor, capital, and management skills that they invest in crops and livestock each year."

Government loans on commodities will continue to be available to farmers who need them for financing, McLeod pointed out. However, in most other ways the government's influence on production and marketing of agricultural commodities has been eliminated for the first time in years.

"This means more attention to marketing by farmers, and both the trade and government are attempting to provide producers with information on ways to lock in profits through forward pricing," the county executive said.

He pointed out that the county ASCS office has available reprints of several magazine articles telling about

marketing methods being used by producers in various parts of the country. These are offered as background information so that farmers who

are interested in different marketing techniques can see what is being done elsewhere, the county executive director added.

Boardman needs queen for Harvest Festival

Boardman is looking for a queen and four princesses for its Harvest Festival, Sept. 8.

Girls 18 to 25, married or single, who are residents of Morrow County are invited to enter the contest by writing to Mrs. J.M. Tatone, Box 8, Boardman, not later than Sept. 1.

Contestants will be judged for beauty, charm and personality at a formal dinner sponsored by the Lions Club at Dodge City Inn, Sept. 7. Later, entrants will participate in swimsuit competition.

The court will be announced at 11 a.m., Sept. 8. The court

will ride in the parade at 11 a.m. and be expected to attend the water follies from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Boardman Boat Marina. Girls will also attend the dance at the Grange Hall, 8 to 9:30 p.m., where music will be furnished by Hank Williams of Hermiston.

The girls will be given gifts furnished by the Lions Club, sponsors at the Harvest Festival.

Anyone interested in entering a float or otherwise participating in the parade is asked to contact Earl Trudeau at 481-5371, Boardman.

Boardman public meetings listed

By MARY LEE MARLOW

The Boardman City Hall has announced that the city council will hold its regular meetings for the 1973-74 year in the city hall on the first and third Tuesdays of each month, beginning at 7:30 p.m. and the City of Boardman Urban Renewal Agency meets immediately following the council meeting.

All interested persons, the news media and the public are encouraged to attend the meetings and participate. The news media is invited to all executive meetings and may disclose any information of such meetings unless there is a previous agreement to the contrary.

Other regularly scheduled meetings held at the city hall

are the Boardman Cemetery Maintenance District on the first Thursday at 7:30 p.m. and the Boardman Rural Fire Protection District on the first Thursday at 7:30 p.m. The public and news media are invited to attend.

ROCK HUNTING CAN BE UNCOMFORTABLE

Charles and Jannine Jensen, St. Helens, Ore., were weekend guests of Charles' mother and stepfather, Mr. and Mrs. Reo J. Russell Sr., Lexington.

They went rock hunting, but didn't find what they were looking for. They did, however, encounter some unfriendly bees, the results of which caused them much distress for a couple of days.



Among the many entries in the parade, was this 1906 Sears & Roebuck auto driven by Mr. and Mrs. Harold Peck. Note the solid rubber tires.



Kyle Robinson, FFA member, leads his grand champion steer around the arena. His prize steer weighed 1057 pounds and sold for \$1.20 per pound.

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