

# Wranglers hold second playday

The second Wranglers playday was held Sunday at the Wranglers arena, Heppner. A potluck luncheon was held at noon.

The results are as follows: (6 and under) Barrells, Bob Kinzer, Andrea Ball, Justin Murray and Jason Dougherty; Pole Bending: Scott Dougherty, Andrea Ball, Bob Kinzer and Jason Dougherty; Figure Eight: Scott Dougherty, Andrea Ball, Bob Kinzer and Jason Dougherty; Sack Race: Jason Dougherty, Bob Kinzer, Andrea Ball and Scott Dougherty.

Ages seven through nine, Barrells, Anne Murray, Pat Schwarz, Gary Belcher and Trisha Mahoney; Poles: Anne Murray, Pat Schwarz, Brian Holt, Bridgett Greenup, Figure Eight: Anne Murray, Pat Schwarz, Bridgett Greenup and Brian Holt.

Ages 10-12, Barrells, Kelly Hammond, Brett Sherer, Cliff Dougherty and Jo Lynn Daly; Poles: Jana Steagall, Kelly Hammond, Annie Van Schoiack; Musical roping: Jana Steagall, Marie Van Schoiack, Cliff Dougherty and Anita Palmer.

Ages 13-17, Barrells: Dawn Peterson, Janice Healy, Judy Healy and Mary Healy; Poles: Janice Healy, Maureen Healy, Dawn Peterson and Mary Healy; Rings: Dawn Peterson, Mary Healy, Jack Yocom and Cindy Dougherty; Musical roping: Janice Healy, Maureen Healy, Dorothy Tucker and Mary Healy.

Ages 18 and over, Barrells: Kathy Gilbert, Ruby Shear, Sherry Kemp and Barb Palmer; Poles: Dick Sherer, Ruby Shear, Kathy Gilbert and Sherry Kemp; Rings: Dick Sherer, David Daly.

Kathy Gilbert and Lee Palmer.

Musical roping: Lee Palmer, Patricia Van Schoiack, Bob Van Schoiack and Sherry Kemp.

Girls Cow Riding: Diana Holt and Dorothy Tucker, Boys Cow Riding: Glen Griffith and Clay West.

Team Roping: Matt and Rod Murray, Rod Murray and Cornett Green, Lee Palmer and Roice Fullerton.

Breakaway roping: Jack Holt and Jack Yocom, Tie Down calf roping: David Daly, Matt Murray and Roice Fullerton.

## Heppner second at local meet

Heppner finished second in a five-way track and field meet at the Mustang track last Tuesday, as AA Wahtonka earned first place honors. The larger school from The Dalles tallied 85 points to finish first. Heppner 67, Sherman County 47, Condon 34 and lone 16.

The top individual single effort for the day for Heppner was a 127'6" discus toss by Dan Marshall.

David McLeod tallied 18 points, Wade Paulberg 16 and Marshall 11, to pace the Heppner squad.

Next Monday the boys track team will travel to Echo for a five-way meet with Umatilla, lone, Riverside and Echo. This meet is scheduled to get underway at 4 p.m.

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### WILLOW CREEK LITTLE LEAGUE 1975 Baseball Schedule

Opening Day at Heppner—Sat, May 2, 1:30  
Indians vs. Giants  
Dodgers vs. Braves

May 5—Dodgers vs. Indians at lone

May 6—Braves vs. Giants

May 7—Giants vs. Braves

May 8—Indians vs. Dodgers

May 12—Dodgers vs. Giants

May 13—Braves vs. Indians at lone

May 14—Giants vs. Dodgers

May 15—Indians vs. Braves

May 19—Indians vs. Giants

May 20—Dodgers vs. Braves

May 21—Giants vs. Indians at lone

May 22—Braves vs. Dodgers

May 27—Giants vs. Braves

May 27—Dodgers vs. Indians at lone

May 28—Indians vs. Dodgers

May 29—Braves vs. Giants

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June 2—Giants vs. Dodgers

June 3—Braves vs. Indians at lone

June 4—Indians vs. Braves

June 5—Dodgers vs. Giants

June 9—Dodgers vs. Indians at lone

June 10—Giants vs. Braves

June 11—Indians vs. Dodgers

June 12—Braves vs. Giants

June 16—Indians vs. Giants

June 17—Dodgers vs. Braves

June 18—Giants vs. Indians at lone

June 19—Braves vs. Dodgers

June 23—Indians vs. Braves

June 24—Dodgers vs. Giants

June 25—Giants vs. Dodgers

June 26—Braves vs. Indians at lone

GAME TIME: 6:00 p.m.



GARY BELCHER, races his horse toward the finish line, after completing the barrel races at the Wranglers Play Day, Sunday.

# Heppner students conduct survey

Senior students at Heppner High School in conjunction with their social studies course, started conducting a confidential housing survey within the city limits of Heppner Tuesday.

"The students want to get involved in community affairs and they feel they can benefit the community with their survey," said their instructor Miss Dean.

The questionnaire consists of 12 questions that can be readily answered and returned to the student. Should the resident wish the student to leave the questionnaire and return it at a later date, he may do so.

The survey when completed will give the students an accurate accounting of the people residing in the city limits and a count of homes in the area.

Some of the questions to be answered by the homeowner are the following: age of the head of the household; num-

ber of persons in the household; annual household income; estimated total monthly housing cost, including rent utilities, mortgage payments and taxes. Do you own or are you buying, do you rent. Is your present home adequate. Do you feel your monthly housing costs are too high. What type of housing do you prefer. Would you rather own or rent. Would you like to move to different housing? The project should take about two weeks to complete.

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# What will building an aluminum plant mean to Eastern Oregon?

*I'm part of the area and based on what I know about Alumax, I would welcome the growth and opportunities this plant will bring.*



*Doris Bounds*  
Chairman of the Board  
Inland Empire Bank  
Hermiston, Oregon

I'VE LIVED HERE most of my life. My whole family has always believed in this area and loved it. Right now Umatilla County is on the threshold of the most exciting time it has ever experienced. We feel it is important that the right kind of growth be balanced throughout the State of Oregon. More than that, we know that growth has to be orderly and well planned if we are to make the best use of the fine assets we have worked so hard to develop—our port, our recreational areas, our proximity to transportation, our fine industrial land sites, our agricultural industry, our residential communities and our people. We're impressed with the way Alumax is working with us. For weeks we've been working together to identify the things that need to be done and the best ways to do them. These are the types of things we're considering as we plan for this positive addition to our area.

### How many jobs will Alumax create?

I understand Alumax will directly employ 1800 workers at the peak of construction and 800 during operation. In addition to those employed by Alumax, numerous supportive jobs will also be created as people are hired by supermarkets, department stores, police departments, and in all other areas stimulated by the growing popula-

tion. It is anticipated that these supportive jobs will increase through the construction period and several years thereafter, to a total of 1,000 which will continue during operation of the plant. This will mean a total of 1800 permanent jobs added to the Umatilla County area.

At this point, population distribution is merely an estimate. The rate at which housing, municipal services and other community facilities develop will eventually determine how many Alumax people go where.

The current housing availability in the Hermiston/Umatilla area is based primarily on existing need,

so new construction will be required.

At the outset, most construction workers will be residing in mobile homes, the traditional housing for nonpermanent workers. Others will live in apartments and motels.

Alumax's permanent work force, coupled with the needs of the service job workers will require 560 to 770 single family dwellings, 390 to 600 multifamily units, and 248 to 386 mobile homes. Given today's interest rates and the availability of money, the need for housing should provide an excellent opportunity for us to get our building industry back on its feet.

Where will the workers come from? The construction and operation of the Alumax plant should initially eliminate unemployment in Umatilla County, with Alumax hiring and training as many workers as possible from the local area. Additionally, this plant will create job openings for approximately 1350 people from throughout the rest of Oregon.

What will this mean in terms of total population increase? Since construction work is usually temporary, workers often move into the area by themselves, rather than relocating their families. Taking this into account, I am told we

### What will the total Alumax related payroll amount to?

The gross payroll paid directly to Alumax employees, plus salaries earned by those working in new jobs created by the growth in population, should total more than \$26 million. Most of this money will stay in Umatilla County, creating a new market for real estate, recreation, grocery stores, clothiers, and anyone else with a marketable commodity or service.

### Direct and related payroll due to Alumax



### Can our school system handle the growth?

The influx of new school-age children into our area should actually help to improve our school system by moving us to a scale where curricula can be significantly expanded.

For the upcoming school year, very few additional children should be expected, but Hermiston-Umatilla and Pendleton school districts should expect to receive almost all of the 1600 children associated with the peak period when the construction phase and plant start-up overlap. This will not occur until 1977-78 school year. Assuming school construction takes place as planned, the Pendleton school district will have no problem taking care of the increased enrollment. However, additional school construction or portable units will be required to handle increased enrollment in the Umatilla and Hermiston districts.

Additionally, Alumax could be very beneficial to Blue Mountain Community College. An opportunity exists where the college could provide training for potential Alumax employees. This, combined with new student enrollment, could bring the college up to at least 75% capacity during the 1978-79 school year.

Can our utilities handle a greater load? Electric, gas and telephone systems are all adequate to handle the projected growth. And, assuming planned sewage improvements are made, this system will also be sufficient. In fact, operation may even improve in several areas because of increased efficiency brought on by greater sewage plant flows. So far as water is

concerned, a community program currently underway will provide adequate water resources.

Police protection is based on per capita population, so it will necessarily have to increase.

Alumax will have its own fire fighting system and trained personnel on the plant site, eliminating the need for existing fire departments to purchase specialized equipment.

The five Oregon hospitals which may be affected by Alumax currently operate at between 40-62% occupancy. Health care facilities and skilled health workers are adequate to accommodate the increased population.

### How will the increased tax base affect our taxes?

The Alumax plant will pay state corporate taxes, plus approximately \$3 million in local taxes, resulting in reduced tax rates in many jurisdictions. However, not all will benefit equally. Taxes are paid only to those jurisdictions within which the plant boundaries lie. For example, the Umatilla school district will receive no direct benefit from the increased assessed value of the plant itself. Other tax districts will also be called upon to provide disproportionate amounts of services necessary to accommodate the population increase. Some mechanism must be found to redistribute a portion of the increased tax benefits to the whole area. There are many alternatives, but this will have to be worked out by local community leaders.

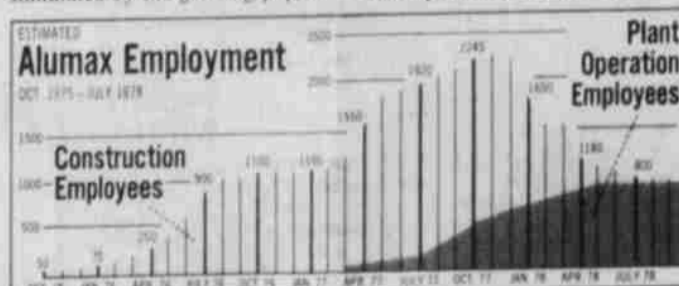
In addition to the taxes paid by Alumax itself, the employees will pay property taxes on approximately \$56 million assessed evaluation. It is also estimated that \$770,000 will be generated from annual employee state income tax and another \$600,000 in gasoline, alcohol and cigarette taxes.

The net overall effect of the increased tax base resulting directly or indirectly from the building of this aluminum plant in our community will be decreased per capita taxes in all but one jurisdiction. With the efforts now underway, even this one jurisdiction should also have a net tax benefit.

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