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Friday night rodeo rules announced

The Morrow County Rodeo Committee has announced the 1977 rules for entering the local and RCA rodeos.

The local show will be again held on Friday night, August 26, beginning at 7 p.m. Anyone who has resided in Morrow County for one year is eligible to enter.

The local events this year

will include: Amateur Calf Roping; Open Calf Roping; Calgary Cow Milking; Cow Riding; Girls Barrel Racing (Junior and Senior Divisions); and Team Roping.

All locals who are not roping for the Kinzua saddle are eligible for Open Calf Roping, and event added for the first time this year. The entry fee is

\$20 and two head will be roped. Entrants must sign up at the Rodeo Office between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. on Wednesday, August 24. All entry fees must be paid before closing time at 5 p.m.

Local contestants may also enter the competition during the three RCA shows, subject to RCA rules. All RCA entries

will be conducted according to the new central entry rules. Locals may enter with Dennis D. Doherty at his office in the Courthouse on August 22 between 1 and 4 p.m. All entrants must pay their entry fees by closing time, plus a \$3.50 central entry office fee. A Novice Bull Riding event has been added for the RCA

afternoon shows. An entry fee of \$15 has been established and contestants may not be over age 14. This event will be limited to 12 entrants, with six riding on Saturday afternoon and six on Sunday afternoon. Entries must be made in the manner provided for local contestants for RCA competition.

Boardman medical clinic gets planning commission OK

Plans for a medical clinic and a 10,000 square foot retail/office building were given the green light by the Boardman Planning Commission Wednesday, July 27.

The medical building is a joint effort of Morrow County, Cal Am and Columbia Furhdevelopment. The county will pay \$55,000 toward the construction of the building that will cost in excess of \$120,000. The developers will pay the balance.

Columbia Pacific Resources manager Chet Yarbrough, who is in charge of the Boardman South project, said there were two potential leases for the grocery store in the retail/office building. "One is a local company and the other is out of Portland," Yarbrough stated.

The medical clinic will begin construction in early August and the commercial building will commence simultaneously or just following. Neither of the buildings will be built with a rear access. The primary

reason is to improve security.

"The plans for the buildings are now in the Fire and Life Safety Office in Salem," Yarbrough explained. That office will check to make sure the building is safe and can pass the fire code.

Depending on the type of business moving into the retail/office building, the plan for no back entrance may be altered. "If a furniture store was to move in there it would require a rear access," Yarbrough noted.

The buildings will be either western (wood) or desert (stucco) design. That is the plan for the entire commercial district in the Boardman South development.

Not all of the retail/office spaces have been leased yet. "I've seen this same thing before," said one planner. "It'll be very hard to live with in a two by four jungle." Yarbrough assured the commission that empty spaces were common and not necessarily unsightly in several area

shopping centers.

The city fire code calls for 55 parking spaces in a lot. The Cal Am / Columbia Furhman plans designate 50 for each building. Yarbrough said that number would be adjusted.

Asked if one of the vacant lots couldn't be used for a large parking lot, Yarbrough said he'd rather not do that so early in the development. "I want to be careful about not creating any pie-in-the-sky building. The size of that building and spaces will depend on future growth of Boardman in the next year."

Though the commission approved the plans, it stipulated that parking lots for the buildings provide 55 spaces. It also directed that all future plans include adequate parking.

In other business, the commission:

• Called for a public hearing Aug. 24 at 8 p.m. to decide on a zone change and conditional use permit for land owned by John and Linda Hudson,

Boardman. The Hudson's are requesting their farm property be zoned residential so they might establish a mobile home park. The site, southwest of Boardman, is flanked on both sides by residential property. "We are trying to maintain our property in a manner that is aesthetically pleasing to the entire community," said Hudson. "Unlike our neighbors

directly to the south." That site is a large, heavily populated mobile home park.

• Approved the preliminary plat for Sunrise Sands, a proposed subdivision at Boardman South. Provisions requested by the council and

recreational possibilities must be included in the development of the final plat.

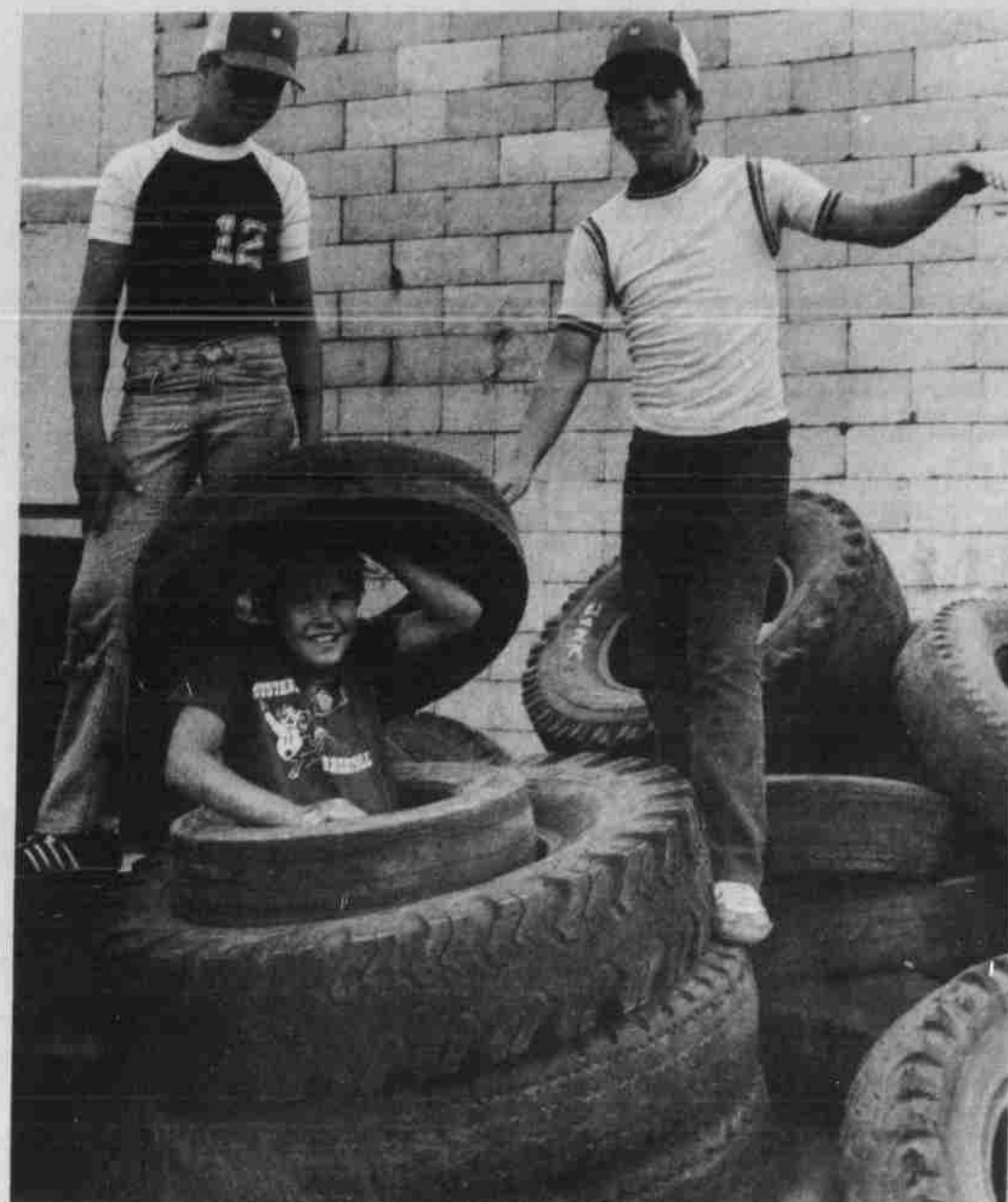
'Rodeo Bob' in Calgary money

Still sporting a few bruises and sore spots, Bob Ewell, director of Tri-County Health Services Commission, recently returned from 10 days in Canada where he competed in the Calgary Stampede.

He brought back more than the lumps, though, as Ewell and his two teammates, Wayne Moore of Canby and Kurt Hutchinson of Forest Grove, placed second in the wild horse race event. The

competition was spread out over the entire 10 days with Ewell and his partners competing for more than \$6,000 in prize money.

Based on total prize money awarded, the Stampede is billed as the world's biggest rodeo with something like a quarter of a million dollars at stake. Bob says he should be ready to go again by the time the Morrow County Rodeo rolls around.



Tire jungle

Casey Fargar, Jon Sumner and Greg Connor ham it up a little in a tire jungle prior to Saturday's 'tire drive' by Little League and girls softball players. The youth are undertaking the project as a fund raising drive. Les Schwab Tire Center will pay the youth for each useable casing and Morrow County Grain Growers has donated the use of a truck for the pick up. Persons living outside Heppner are asked to call Harold Kerr's office to arrange for tire pick up.

For Morgan Street Bridge funds sought

After last week's brief philanthropic respite in the form of unexpected revenue sharing funds, the Heppner City Council was back to business as usual—faced with the predicament of how to finance necessary city projects with a shortage of dollars.

This time the object of concern was the Morgan Street bridge—a rotting wood structure that has already been closed to heavy vehicle traffic and is becoming increasingly perilous even to cars. "The bridge is shot," said City Engineer Steve Anderson, who has presented the council with a design for a new structure. Anderson said his estimate of \$113,000 for the span differed considerably from the state engineering department's estimate of \$140,000 and added that a more realistic figure probably lies somewhere in between.

Assuming the actual cost of the project would be somewhere between the two estimates that still leaves the city with a sizeable chunk of money to contribute—money that in an already strained budget, simply is nowhere to be found.

With the bad news on the table, the council asked Anderson to return to the drawing board to see if he could come up with a more economical plan that would still meet all necessary safety and performance specs.

Turning their attention to an even more pressing matter on Morgan Street, the council agreed that a top priority should be assigned to repairing the road damage which resulted from a ruptured water line two months ago. The road is heavily traveled by high school traffic and the council plans to have repairs completed before the school opening next month.

City officials contend the rupture was caused by improper materials used and compaction by the original contractor. But since the contractor has failed to assume liability for the mishap, the city has been left with a pile of legal red tape and a gaping hole on Morgan Street. After declaring an emer-

gency situation, the city has decided to repair the damage on its own and seek to recoup its losses from the contractor at a later date.

Bids for the repairs are currently being sought and a city council meeting has been called for Aug. 10 to review the bids and possibly award a contract.

News briefs

Merchants meet Friday noon

Heppner merchants will have their monthly meeting Friday, Aug. 5 at 12 noon in the banquet room at the Wagon Wheel Cafe.

Randall Peterson, merchant committee chairman, said several topics of discussion

that concern business owners and operators will be discussed, including the proposed city business license.

Mayor Jerry Sweeney will be on hand to explain the council's action in proposing a business license.

Planners ask for inspector

The Heppner City Planning Commission Tuesday approved a motion recommending that the City Council hire a state certified building inspector to enforce compliance with city zoning regulations.

The city foreman is currently charged with inspecting building sites within the city to ensure compliance with building permits. Members of the commission claimed the ins-

pections are not being carried out and as a result, some city structures bear virtually no resemblance to the plans submitted to the commission for original approval.

In other action the commission approved conditional use applications for mobile homes to be located at 339 W. Linden and at 430 W. Riverside. Lot size and width variances were also approved for the Linden site.

Premium books

Those who did not receive a premium book for the Morrow County Fair or have misplaced their copy may pick up a copy at a post office in their community. Everyone is encouraged to participate in the fair. The Morrow County Fair is a "People Fair" made

successful by the participation of everyone in the county.

The books went into the post offices August 2. Those who can not get to a post office are asked to call Fair secretary Liz Curtis at 676-9454 after 5 p.m.

CETA jobs open

The Department of Human Resources has announced the addition of three CETA job positions in Morrow County; an engineering aide, a crew chief for weatherizing homes,

and a laborer for weatherizing homes.

All of these jobs give preference to veterans and they have certain income and employment requirements.



Power... in the making

Portland General Electric's coal fired generating plant at the Boeing Argi-Industrial park looks like a maze of steel cages. In the background is the area that will be used for coal storage. The plant is expected to be operational by June 1980 and will produce as much power as Bonneville Dam.

WEATHER

	High	Low
Wed., July 27	97	58
Thu., July 28	91	59
Fri., July 29	81	45
Sat., July 30	86	49
Sun., July 31	96	54
Mon., Aug. 1	98	58
Tue. Aug. 2	96	58
July Prec. Normal	.07	.32
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