

# 'Natures Glory' theme underlines county's agricultural diversity

Morrow County's ever widening variety of agricultural products makes this year's "Nature's Glory" fair theme especially appropriate.

Wheat, barley, and hay crops have been farm staples in Morrow County for decades. But in recent years, with the advent of massive irrigations systems, "nature's glory" has really had a chance to bloom.

From the massive tracts of potato ground in the Boardman area to the bean vines on the Marv Padberg place near Ione, agriculture in the county continues to expand and diversify.

Where else but Morrow County can you find shimmering fields of wheat and barley, fragrant new crops of mint, acres of strawberries, a massive turf-producing operation, and huge fields of peas all located within a five mile radius?

Roadside fruit stands near Irrigon offer travelers apricots, melons and other seasonal delicacies, with acre upon acre of ripening corn stretching skyward in the background.

The second largest potato producing county in America, Morrow County spud growers are understandably proud of

their contribution to the county's agriculture picture, and will submit many exhibits for judging at this year's fair. Morrow County growers—few of whom devote less than 600 acres to potatoes—won special honors at the Oregon State Fair last year.

County grain growers are similarly proud of their contributions, especially in light of this year's better than average harvest. The Morrow County Fair has long hosted an outstanding grain exhibit, probably provoking a bit of jealousy among growers in neighboring counties like

Umatilla whose fair has no wheat exhibit. Morrow County wheat, considered to be of the highest quality in the Northwest, and near the top in the nation, is a nearly perpetual award-winning entry at the Oregon State Fair.

But nature's glory is not limited to crops. Area 4-Hers and stockmen will be showing the best of the county's cattle, sheep, hogs, and fowl. Homemakers will display their

skills at preparing and preserving home-grown palate pleasers, and area artists and craftsmen will have the chance to show off their natural creative abilities.

All this and much more will be on display at the 1978 Morrow County Fair. So plan to turn out for the county's biggest event of the year, and take in some of "nature's glory." You'll have a naturally good time for doing so.

## Logo design captures Fair theme

A new fair logotype, pictured below, was designed for the Morrow County Fair & Rodeo by Cathy Anhorn of Pendleton, daughter of Mrs. Irene Anhorn of Heppner.

The center of the logo depicts "Nature's Glory" in Morrow County—with cattle, timber,

wheat and potatoes being the focal point of artwork.

The logo is the official emblem of the Fair & Rodeo and will be used in years to come to identify all fair and rodeo events throughout the year.

Ms. Anhorn submitted her design through a contest the Fair Board initiated earlier this year to come up with a logotype. Ms. Anhorn was awarded a \$25 savings bond for the winning entry.



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