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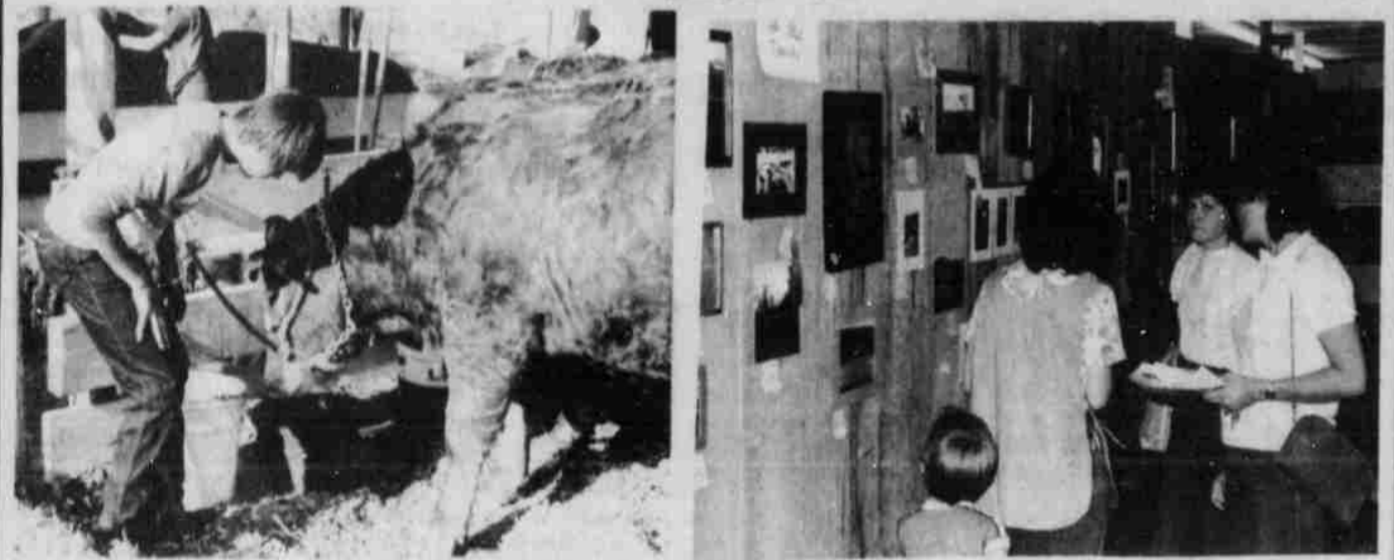
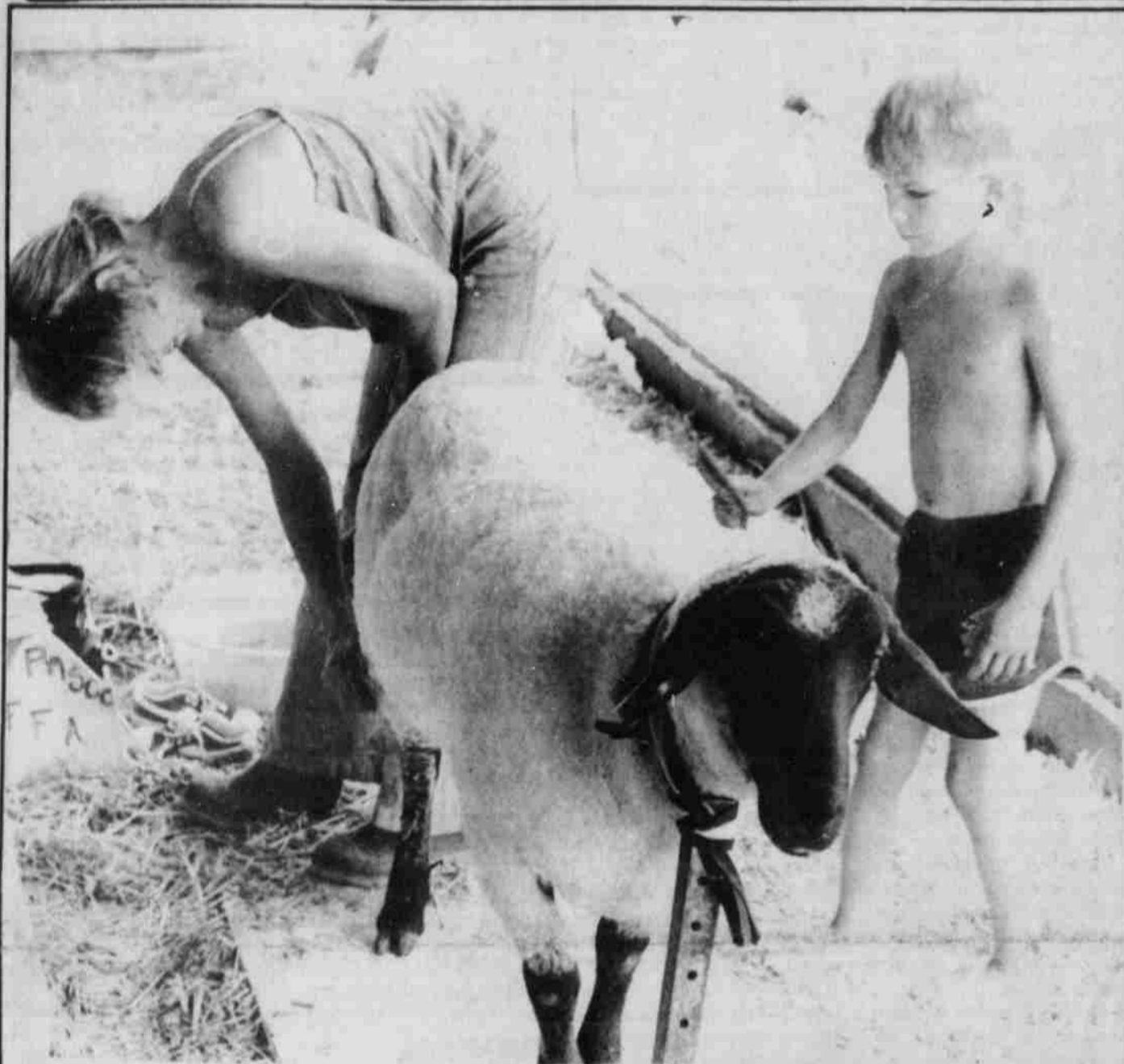
	High	Low	Precip.
Tues., Aug. 16	91	52	
Wed., Aug. 17	92	50	
Thurs., Aug. 18	88	56	
Fri., Aug. 19	83	60	
Sat., Aug. 20	85	50	
Sun., Aug. 21	85	52	
Mon., Aug. 22	84	57	40

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Fair participants were busy in all departments this week

Fair winds down - gear up for rodeo!

As the fair winds down, people are gearing up for rodeo - Morrow County's annual event gets underway Friday with an evening performance, which begins a full weekend of activities.

The Morrow County Rodeo on Friday will begin at 7 p.m., and Rodeo Secretary Judy Currin says entries are numbering about the same as last year.

Following the rodeo, a dance will be held in the pavilion at the fairgrounds beginning at 9:30 p.m. The Jim Ackley Band will provide music at both Friday's and Saturday's dances.

For you early parade fans, this year a cowboy breakfast will be served at the Heppner City Park from 5:30 to 10 a.m., Saturday, August 27.

The TOPS Club of Heppner will be cooking up a menu of sausage, pancakes and eggs. Price for adults is \$3.75 and \$2.75 for senior citizens and children. Juice and milk are extra with coffee at no charge.

At 10 a.m. the Main Street Parade will begin making its way through town. Those who plan to participate in the parade need to meet at the grain elevator on Riverside St. at 9 a.m., says Harley Sager, parade chairman. A junior bugle corp from Stanfield will perform, the Pendleton Round-Up Association will be here, as well as the Round-Up queen and court, about 50 past queens and princesses of the Morrow County Fair and Rodeo will ride in the parade, the Heppner Sceptimists will provide clowns who will hand out candy and balloons to children, and of course there will be floats. Ron McDonald

will be parade announcer. Sager says there is still time to enter the parade, children can walk, ride bikes or take part in other ways and all adults can also participate. Those wanting to enter are asked to contact Sager at 676-9163 days, or 989-8418 evenings.

After the parade a queens' luncheon will be held at the Heppner Elks Lodge for the local and visiting courts. A large crowd is expected.

At 1:30 p.m., the W.R.A. - N.R.A. rodeo begins. A special event during the rodeo will be the Businessmen's Donkey Race. Representatives from Pettyjohn Oil Co., Morrow County Grain Growers, Kinzua Corp., Pettyjohn Farm and Builder Supply, Central Market, Heppner Bowl, Lex-

ington Auto Body and the Wagon Wheel Cafe and Lounge will race the stubborn animals across the arena.

From 5 to 7 p.m. barbecued beef dinners will be served at All Saints' Episcopal Church. The dinner, which has been held for over 20 years, will include beef, baked potatoes, beans, bread, salad and ice cream. Tickets are \$7 for adults, \$6 for senior citizens and \$3.50 for children under 12.

At 9:30 p.m. the Jim Ackley Band will be back out at the pavilion for another night of dancing.

On Sunday morning the aroma of pancakes, ham, potatoes, eggs and hot coffee will fill the air at the fairgrounds as the Wranglers' Cowboy Breakfast is served from 7 to

10 a.m. Cost will be \$3 for adults and \$1.50 for children 12 and under.

At about 1:15 p.m. the second half of the W.R.A. - N.R.A. Rodeo will get underway with a suicide race. Another Businessmen's Donkey race will take place on Sunday, this time with representatives from the Office Tavern, V & G Tavern, Les Schwab Tire Center, the Heppner Gazette-Times, Coast to Coast, Bucknum's Tavern, Gardner's Men's Wear and Wagon Wheel Cafe and Lounge.

The Sunday rodeo performance marks the end of another week of Fair and rodeo, Morrow County's biggest event.

Cole reappointed to BMCC budget comm.

The Blue Mountain Community College Board reappointed Carolyn Cole of Heppner to the college's budget committee at an August 17

meeting. Terry Lindell of Pendleton was also reappointed by the board; Allan Pinkerton of Helix asked not to be reappointed to the committee.

Also at the meeting, a three-year collective bargaining agreement with the college support staff was ratified by the board.

Consignment clothing shop to open in Heppner

A consignment clothing store will be opening in Heppner on Saturday, Sept. 3, announces Lois Johnston, owner. The shop is located at 289 N. Main, where Kate's Cake Shop was.

The Bottom Drawer will

feature used clothing, sold on a consignment basis of 50 percent, Johnston said.

Anyone wanting to sell clothing through the Bottom Drawer may contact Johnston at 676-9967 or leave the articles at Cal's Cafe.

The agreement will run through June 30, 1986. Salaries for the first year of the agreement were increased by three and one-half percent. The second year of the agreement the salary increases are tied to an increase in the consumer price index running through November of 1983, minus one percent. A minimum increase of three and one-half percent for the second year was set. Salary increases the third year of the agreement are again tied to increases in the consumer price index, minus one percent with a minimum of three and one-half percent and a maximum of six percent.

Special entertainment planned at Elks

Heppner Elks Manager Rick Smith has planned special entertainment at the lodge this weekend in conjunction with the rodeo. Turnpike Cruiser, a five-piece rock and roll band out of La Grande, will provide dance music at

the lodge on Friday and Saturday nights.

The band has performed for clubs, colleges and high schools from Southern California to Canada, including concerts with Buffalo Springfield, Jim Stafford and Coun-

try Joe MacDonald. Each musician has experience arranging and producing original material in a studio, and each has at least 10 years of stage experience, Smith says.

The band will play from 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. each night.

"Unless the consumer price index accelerates rapidly over the next three months, the increase in salaries will be the minimum of three and one-half percent," according to College President Ron Daniels. He noted that the Support Staff Association had accepted the agreement in a meeting earlier this month.

Also included in the agreement were provisions for changes in fringe benefits. Up to three days for family care leave were granted. These will be deducted from sick leave.

Insurance coverages were maintained as provided in previous years except that an increase in the college share of the premium was made to retain the college's payment at about the same percentage as in previous years.

In other college business, the board:

— approved personal contracts for Daniel R. Lange, instructor of instrumental music, and Florence B. Cowan, instructor of nursing.

— heard a report from Daniels on a preliminary end-of-the-year financial report. Daniels said the college appeared to be in excellent financial condition. He said a more detailed report will be provided when the audit is completed.

School dist. receives grant for energy study

The Morrow County School District has received a \$9,800 grant from the Department of Energy to use for studies on how to reduce energy consumption, the school board learned August 15.

The study will guide the district in future remodeling and school improvements.

In other business, the board:

— learned that it had lost an arbitration involving grade school teacher Lisa Nelson.

Nelson had contested the board's action not to renew her contract last year, and the matter had gone to an arbitrator. The arbitrator ruled in Nelson's favor and ordered the district to reinstate the teacher with no penalty or loss of seniority.

— voted to review employee agreements in the district. The review was suggested by the Oregon School Boards Association, because the board feels "our labor agreement

has given away the probationary status of teachers during the first three years." The review will cost about \$200.

— learned that the district grossed over \$600 at its recent "yard sale."

— expressed its thanks to Dennis Logan who donated the labor and equipment needed to lay the underground sprinklers at Columbia Junior High School in Irrigon. This contribution represents several hundred dollars of service to

the district.

— voted to buy a 1984 Ford LTD from low-bidder Rohman Ford of Hermiston. Rohman bid \$9,045 for the new superintendent vehicle.

— voted to buy two heating units, at \$7,539 each, for replacements at Heppner High School.

— voted to trade the county a used school bus for some paving to be done by the county.

A.S.C.S. reminds farmers of P.I.K. requirement

As Morrow County farmers complete their wheat harvest, the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service reminds them of the payment-in-kind program requirement to obtain price support loans on their 1983 production if they are eligible to receive P.I.K. from Commodity Credit Corporation stocks.

According to Judy Buschke, county executive director, farmers were aware of the requirement in June when U.S.D.A. determined that

there would be insufficient quantities of the crop to meet P.I.K. needs. "All farmers who signed a contract to participate in the program agreed to obtain a loan on their 1983 production for this purpose if necessary," said Buschke. Farmers who have no wheat for harvest, or those who had insufficient wheat for harvest to satisfy their P.I.K. needs, will receive P.I.K. presently in government inventory.

She said that any producer

who must use a 1983 loan for P.I.K. and does not do so will be considered in violation of their P.I.K. contract unless there is documented evidence that the producer harvested and disposed of the wheat before receiving notification of the requirement. "The loans must be requested after harvest but before the January 16 final P.I.K. availability date. However, special provisions allow farmers with wheat P.I.K. availability dates of August 1 or earlier to delay

taking the loan until January 16, 1984.

"Farmers who fail to obtain a loan by January 16, 1984 will not earn P.I.K. on the quantity that was to have been harvested, and will be assessed liquidated damages according to the terms of the P.I.K. contract," said the A.S.C.S. official. The program offered farmers an amount of commodity as payment for reducing their plantings to specified levels.

Bids to be taken on local highway work

Bids will be received by the Oregon Transportation Commission on Thursday, Aug. 25 for seven projects estimated to cost \$5.2 million.

A project in Morrow County calls for reconstructing and widening seven miles of the lone-Lexington section of the

Heppner Highway, beginning just east of lone. The paved width is 28 feet, and the estimated cost of the project is in the \$1 million to \$2.5 million range. The completion time is 330 calendar workdays, the commission said.

Anyone that lives in Heppner or the immediate surrounding area and would like to be considered for appointment to the vacant position, please contact school administrators Jim Bier, Heppner High School, 676-9138, or Don Cole, Heppner Elementary School, 676-9128.