

Wins state cow cutting championship

Mike Mahoney captured the cow cutting title in the Oregon High School Rodeo Association state championships at Redmond recently.

The son of Bob and Sherree Mahoney, Mike is a junior at Heppner High School.

As a state winner, Mahoney is eligible to go on to the National High School Finals Rodeo, to be held in Pueblo, Colo., the last week in July.

He also finished third in the boys all-around standing. Only the top four contestants in each state qualify for the national finals rodeo. He was the only Morrow County boys team member competing against larger teams in the state. Morrow County's boys team placed fourth. Redmond won both the boys and girls team titles.

The top 20 contestants in each event qualify to compete at the state finals rodeo. Others from Morrow County competing were Jennifer Currin who placed ninth in girls cow cutting and Jennifer Martin who tied for 18th place in goat tying.

Going into the state contest, Mahoney was third in steer wrestling, fourth in calf roping, 16th in team roping, second in cow cutting and first in the all-around.



Mike Mahoney
At the state high school rodeo association meeting in Redmond.

Mahoney was elected student president for the coming year.

Four former Blackhorse residents teach total 137 years before retirement

Four of the six daughters of William and Mollie Tucker of the Blackhorse area became educators. Huldah Tucker Mortimore, Elsie Tucker, Irene Tucker Atherton, and Edith Tucker Castle received most of their elementary education in the rural Blackhorse School which was about six miles east of Lexington. Huldah, Elsie and Edith were graduates of the Lexington High School; Irene, of the West Linn High School in Clackmas County.

Huldah, born October 8, 1905, received a Bachelor's Degree from the College of Idaho. She taught elementary grades and junior high school in Oregon, Idaho, Montana and Washington. Huldah retired in 1969. After her retirement Huldah has done much traveling-including eight cruises. She now makes her home in Eugene.

Elsie, born November 8, 1909, has a Master's Degree from Oregon State College. She taught elementary schools in Oregon, Washington and California. In several cities of the

Natural pesticides as toxic as chemical ones

"Natural" pesticides are often touted as safer than "chemical" ones. Rotenone and pyrethrum are examples of "natural" pesticides that are supposedly non-toxic to warm blooded animals.

Unfortunately, these pesticides are just as toxic as "chemical" ones.

Toxicity is normally measured as LD-50, which stands for the lethal dose necessary to kill 50% of the test group. It can also be LC-50, which measures the lethal concentration, and is used for fish toxicity testing.

Toxicity can be oral or dermal, and is normally given both ways. The table below lists the oral and dermal toxicities of two "natural" pesticides, rotenone and pyrethrum, and two commonly used "chemical" pesticides, malathion and carbaryl (Sevin).

PESTICIDES	TOXIC LD-50 Oral (Dermal) ppm (500-1800)
pyrethrum	132-1500
rotenone	(100-200)
malathion	1375 (4100)
carbaryl	850 (-4000)

In addition, certain pesticides have unique peculiarities. Sevin, for example, is highly toxic to bees, and should not be used in an orchard during bloom. Rotenone is highly toxic



to pigs.

Rotenone and pyrethrum are termed "natural" because they come from natural organic sources. Pyrethrum comes from chrysanthemums, and rotenone comes from the roots and seeds of many different

4-H's enjoy trail horse ride

Trail riding in the Blue Mountains, July 11 and 12, involved 4-H horse club members and families of Morrow and Gilliam counties who were the guests of John, Nella and Sarah Britt, at the Britt mountain residence, 30 miles south of Heppner.

Arlington participants were 4-H Judge Phyllis Brooks, Les Brooks, Sherrie Wilkins and son Chet Wilkins, Tricia Clough and Mickie Meisner.

Scenic mountain trails, campfire cookery, and a star lit night for outdoor camping, provided an equestrian paradise for trail horse enthusiasts, said Merlyn Robinson, Heppner.

Other highlights were the horse care products given as prizes by Nella Britt, to those who found special marked ribbons throughout Saturday's activities. Awards were also given for congeniality and trail etiquette. Log jumping and pole bending were added attractions.

Trailoring horses home on Sunday, all participants agreed with the statement made by leader Al Brazell.

plants.

Both of these pesticides are very effective. They are no safer, however, than other pesticides which are manufactured chemically.

The key to safe and successful pesticide use is threefold: First, identify the problem. Second, choose a pesticide which is labeled for that problem. Third, read the label thoroughly and follow its instructions.

If you need help with a pesticide problem call the Extension Office, 676-9642.

Fish and Wildlife commission to meet

Birds, bears and the future of Fall River Hatchery will be among agenda items when the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission meets July 17 at Fish and Wildlife headquarters in Portland.

A public hearing to set dates and bag limits for bandtailed pigeon and mourning dove hunting seasons begins at 9 a.m., with a staff report, followed by public testimony and commission action.

A discussion covering future operation of Fall River Hatchery near LaPine is scheduled for 10 a.m. This session will include a staff presentation and public testimony.

Beginning at 1 p.m., the commission will consider adoption of a bear management plan establishing management direction of the species, and consider amending rules regarding wildlife harassment.

Around About By Justine Weatherford

Here we are into the seventh month, the last half of this year. Our county's Independence Day has been duly celebrated with flying flags, fireworks and community festivities.

During the warm season in our northern hemisphere many families and schools and patriotic groups hold reunions while traveling is easier. How exciting it was to happen to visit briefly with former Heppner teachers Clint and Dorothy Agee from Round Rock, Arizona, on June 19, just as Ola Mae Groshens and I were about to pick up Martha King for a trip down the Columbia. Ola Mae flew from Portland to visit her son and family in San Diego, and Martha and I went on to Corvallis where we were guests in her sister Barbara Ware's home where this paper is read very carefully each week.

I joined just over 150 classmates of the Oregon State class of 1937 at our Golden Anniversary. What fun to visit with some folks I hadn't seen for fifty years. What big fibbers many have become as they told one another "You haven't changed much. I remember you." It was a good thing we were all wearing name tags with our names printed in large print.

Cecilia Nordstrom Van Winkle and Alfred Van Winkle, who know our county well, were at the reunion and were so pleasant to visit with. He is Alma Green's and Jack Van Winkle's older brother. They won a prize as the couple with the most children (six).

Martha King spent the week in Corvallis but I stretched my visiting by going on to Medford to spend three nights with me second son Bill Haberlach and his family. Martha and I came home via Sisters, Prineville, Mitchell and Spray a route I don't usually travel. We enjoyed a fine visit at Prineville with my late husband's sister Edythe Weatherford Newell and her husband George. George said how much he enjoys Rev. John Maas who has become active in that community as he was while he served the Lutheran churches here.

The next school reunion I am looking forward to is set for July 25 when the Heppner High School class of 1967 meets here for its 20th Anniversary. I remember that group so well. I was such a newcomer that year when they were all so knowledgeable about life here and everything else. I treasure my 1967 Mustang and refer to it when I read of events involving members of that class who suffered through senior English with me. Although most of them are living elsewhere, it pleases me to see a few of them now and then.

Please remember to support the senior citizens next weekend when they are holding their annual rummage sale at the county fairgrounds on Saturday, July 11, from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m.

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