

# County Fair Returns by Kiwanis Efforts



**LAMB CROP**—Carl Weisbrod, left, and Bob Peile, are shown with some of Carl's young lamb crop. Young Weisbrod received a Sears, Roebuck and company Hampshire Sheep chain last year, and plans to have some on exhibit at the fair. Weisbrod is a graduate of Eagle Point High school, and Peile will be a junior there this fall. Weisbrod's flock consists of eight purebred Hampshire ewes and 15 commercial grade ewes.

## Products of Area To Be Displayed At Local Armory

By RUSS JAMISON  
County Fair Manager

After an absence of more than 20 years, the county fair will once more grace the scene in Jackson County under the sponsorship of the Medford Kiwanis club.

The service club will use any proceeds from the venture to support the free dental clinic which it sponsors in Jackson County as well as many other projects with underprivileged children in the area.

Although it lacks the official sponsorship and backing usually associated with a county fair function, it nevertheless carries the support of the numerous home extension groups, farm organizations and service clubs in the area who see in the restoration of the county fair a return of a community spirit which has been lacking for many years.

### Opportunity for Display

Giving, as it does, the opportunity for display of the produce and products of Jackson County it has fanned the enthusiasm of many oldtimers in the county who remember the county fairs, and has sparked interest in the newcomers to the area who expect a county fair.

The fair, which officially opens Thursday evening at 5:30 o'clock, will feature most of the events usually associated with the county fair, but in many cases tailored to fit the interest of the area. Included in the individual exhibitors section will be open classes in the following departments and divisions: food, textiles, floral, both amateur and professional, and land products.

Russ Renner, chairman of the exhibits committee, has enlisted the help of Miss Mary Pat Lucy, home demonstration agent, in developing the food and textiles sections. The floral section will be under the general supervision of Mrs. R. T. Nichol, director of the Siskiyou district of the Garden clubs and managed by Mrs. A. C. Lewis of Medford who will assist in the arrangements for judges and registering.

### General Arrangements

In the land products section, Delmar Smith of Pomona Grange, the man responsible for the Jackson County exhibit at the Oregon State fair, will be in charge of general arrangements. He will be advised by Harold White of the Southern Oregon Branch Experiment station.

Special displays at the fair will include a research project by White in cooperation with Oregon State college. In addition there will be a Terrier missile, courtesy of the Navy Recruiting station in Medford. Many other outstanding exhibits by both commercial and non-profit organizations are planned.

On the entertainment side of the county fair is the star attraction, Miss America, whose appearance was arranged by the Medford Pepsi Cola Bottling company. She will make appearances at the four-day event and be available for several autograph sessions.

A busy schedule has been planned for Miss Marilyn Van Derbur. She will visit many valley attractions and make special appearances at the 4-H and FFA Fair which is making its annual run during the same week at the Jackson County fairgrounds.

Miss America will visit historic Jacksonville, see the famous Rogue River, and make an appearance at the Oregon Shakespearean festival in Ashland as well as visit the Camp White Domiciliary center.

The musical Borden family of Medford will be featured attractions at matinee stage shows on Saturday and Sunday. The Borden family, formerly of Bemidji, Minn., were featured on local television and recently made an appearance on the NBC-TV show "Two for the Money" and made guest appearances at several New York state resorts and hotels including the famous Manhattan Beach hotel. This marks their return to the valley and the first of many major shows which they have booked for the summer and fall.

First in Fair

Among the many firsts which the county fair will boast is the first official preliminary Miss America pageant in the area. It was arranged under the sponsorship

of the Medford Junior Chamber of Commerce in cooperation with the Medford Kiwanis club.

This event will feature four sections of pageantry to be presented on Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday with the winner to be crowned by Miss America. This will be the only appearance of Miss America at a county fair and will be her final appearance in the United States before returning to Atlantic City to crown her successor in September.

The winner of the title of Miss Jackson County, who will be chosen by a panel of professional people from this area, will be eligible to compete in the Miss Oregon contest. When selected, she will be the first contestant chosen in the state for next year's competition at Seaside.

### Outstanding Talent

A search for outstanding talent in Jackson County will also be a highlight of the stage shows planned during the four-day run. The winner in this search will be sent to the Oregon State fair to represent this area in state-wide competition.

Air space rental marks another first for the county fair space has been leased to a commercial exhibitor for the display of a new product line.

Pony rides and helicopter rides plus games and concessions run by valley service clubs and organizations will be available. Clubs which will be manning concessions include Medford 20-30, Rogue River Lions, Central Point Jaycees, Theta Rho, Medford Active club, and many others.

Wayne Debrick, 10, of Central Point, carries the coat of his prize Berkshire hog intently preparing her for the Jackson County 4-H and FFA County Fair. The Berkshire is considered good for its meat, and especially for bacon, Wayne says.

## Dr. Graham to Attend Timberline Institute

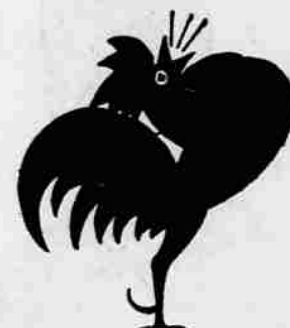
Ashland—Dr. Alva Graham will represent Southern Oregon college and the Child Guidance Clinic at the Rehabilitation Institute at Timberline lodge, Aug. 22 to Aug. 28.

Sponsored by the University of Oregon, the Oregon division of vocational rehabilitation, and the Oregon Tuberculosis and Health association, the institute will meet to discuss rehabilitation problems in social, vocational, medical, and psychological phases.

Graham, former president of the Southern Oregon Child Guidance Clinic, is now a professor of education and director of graduate studies.

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## Local Club Spends \$5,000 on Projects During Past Year

A statement from officers of the Kiwanis club indicated that more than \$5,000 was expended by the club on charitable and educational projects last year.

It was pointed out that in order to supply the funds for the projects it is necessary to conduct money-raising events each year. Only those events which offer the public full value for their invested money are considered.

This year, the board of directors have added the County Fair to the roster of such events. It was preceded by last year's Town and Country Show and it is anticipated that the event will be continued and expanded each year.

### Earmarked For Projects

All of the money raised as a result of the County Fair will be earmarked for projects which include work with the underprivileged children; support of the local dental clinic; Boy Scout and Girl Scout work; educational assistance to youth; contribution to Kiwanis Foundation and civic activities such as renovation of Maple Grove Park south of Medford; annual Easter Egg Hunt and Medford Safety Council assistance.

Bill Singler, president of the club said every effort was being made to make the County Fair a truly community event, worthy of the support of every segment of the population.

The County Fair, staged the same week as the 4-H-FFA Fair, opens Thursday at 5:30 p.m., Aug. 21, and will con-

clude Sunday evening, Aug. 24.

Admission charges of 50 cents for adults and 25 cents for students has been established. Pre-school children will be admitted free. The admission will include all stage presentations in the Armory and other events scheduled, spokesmen said.

## Monterey Boats Bring in Sardines

Monterey, Calif.—UPI—Cannery Row hummed today for the first time in six years with the return of sardines to Monterey bay.

A dozen boats, about one-third of a fleet that once numbered more than 100, brought in 450 tons of sardines Monday. Some 700 persons went to work processing the catch in Cannery Row's five remaining plants.

In the 1940's, the sardine canning industry was a 20 million dollar a year business and employed thousands of workers in a score of canneries. Canners then processed 4,000 to 9,000 tons of fish a day.

Whether the sardines would stay in the waters off Monterey could not be foretold. J. B. Phillips, marine biologist with the Hopkins Marine station, said local waters have been warming up in recent years. He said it could mean the beginning of a warm-water cycle in which sardines flourish.

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