

# GRANT COUNTY AIRPORT



**DEDICATION  
Program**

OCT. 8th, 1966



**Welcome** to Grant County Airport, the largest civilian airport west of the Mississippi.

This is your airport. We want you to be proud of the first jet training facility in the United States. In the interest of safety we ask you to park in the designated areas and to stay clear of taxiways, runways, aprons and aircraft where restricted.

May your visit be a pleasant one!

Floyd Rigsby, President  
Port of Moses Lake

## Dedication Ceremony

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| Musical Prelude -----  | Moses Lake and Warden<br>High School Bands  |
| Master of Ceremonies ----  | Bruce W. Johnson, Corporate<br>Director of Public Affairs,<br>The Boeing Company                                |
| 3:00 Presentation of Colors ----   | United States Air Force<br>Color Guard  |
| 3:03 Our National Anthem ----  | Moses Lake and Warden<br>High School Bands  |
| 3:05 Invocation -----  | Reverend Donald L. Young,<br>Pilgrim Congregational Church  |
| 3:08 Opening Remarks and<br>Introduction of Port of<br>Moses Lake Commis-<br>sioners | Floyd Rigsby, President<br>Moses Lake Port District<br>Dr. Leon M. Bodie, V-President<br>Dan B. Dunn, Secretary |
| 3:18 Introduction of Guests ----   | Master of Ceremonies  |
| 3:30 Dedicatory Address -----  | Honorable Warren G. Magnuson,<br>United States Senator  |
| 4:00 Adjournment -----   | Master of Ceremonies  |
| Musical Postlude -----   | Moses Lake and Warden<br>High School Bands  |

Special thanks are due to many agencies, firms and individuals who so generously donated their time and facilities to help make the Grant County Airport Dedication possible.



## Exhibits & Demonstrations



### FEDERAL AVIATION AGENCY

CONTROL TOWER - Open House - See how landings and takeoffs are controlled.

MOVIE - 1 p. m. and 2:15 p. m. - "A Traveler Meets Air Traffic Control" - both located in Terminal Building -

AIR NAVIGATION FLIGHT INSPECTION AIRCRAFT - Open to the public

### THE BOEING COMPANY

707 INTERCONTINENTAL JETLINER - On display

727 TRI-JETLINER - Tour through this new plane, courtesy of the Boeing Company

### P N A H F

Pacific Northwest Aviation Historical Foundation

B-247 - Antique Boeing Airplane - Display and Fly-by

## Scenic Rides

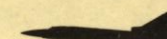
WEST COAST AIRLINES - Ride an F-27 Prop-Jet on a scenic tour of the community and surrounding area 9 a. m. til 5 p. m.

Tickets \$3.00 per person, available at the plane

### MILITARY AIRCRAFT

C-124  
C-141

GLOBEMASTER  
STARLIFTER JET TRANSPORT



### STUNT FLYING



### AIRPLANE DEALERS' DISPLAY



### SKY - DIVERS

PERFORMANCES at 10 a. m. - 12 Noon - 2 p. m. - 4 p. m.

### FLYING SCHOOLS

GREENEAIR - Private Pilot Training, headquartered at Grant County Airport

BIG BEND COMMUNITY COLLEGE - Commercial Pilot Training Program

ANNOUNCER OF EVENTS AND ATTRACTIONS - Merle C. (Windy) West



## About Grant County Airport....

### History;

Activated in November 1942 as Moses Lake Army Air Base for the training of fighter pilots and bomber crews. In 1945 the Base was placed on "standby" military status. It was used during the following three years as a testing site for Boeing B-47's and B-50's. Resumed military operation in November 1948; in 1950 the Base was renamed Larson Air Force Base, honoring Major Donald A. Larson of Yakima, who was killed in action over Germany in 1944. From 1948 to 1965, missions included fighters, transports, bombers, aerial refueling and inter-continental ballistic missiles. Boeing B-52's and KC-135's were flight tested and modified at the Flite Test Center from 1955 through 1962. Deactivated and declared surplus as of June 25, 1966.

### Present & Future;

Presently operating at the Grant County Airport are the Boeing Flight Training program (on an agreement extending through 1980), FAA (control tower), Army mapping service, Job Corps Training Center for 200, Big Bend Community College North Campus (vocational-technical program, including commercial pilot training), Moses Lake Sheet Metal and John Henry Metal Fabricator, American Potato Company, Greeneair (flying school) and Jim Abram's Jet-Air (fuel service).

Potential future uses include expanded flight training programs, flight testing and modification at the excellent Flite Test Center, industrial manufacturing, fabrication, assembly, food processing, air freight and warehousing and many others.

## About the Moses Lake Port District....

Authorized by the voters in 1965, the formation of the Port District was given impetus by the closing of Larson Air Force Base. The Port was visualized by the community as the most logical means of assisting in the transition of the Base to a civilian economy. While its initial activity is directed at the utilization of facilities at Grant County Airport, the Port is in a logical position to play a large part in the development of other potentials in the area, including farm-related industry and recreation.



The Grant County PUD is prepared to serve the electrical needs of future development on the Grant County Airport as it does in all of Grant County.

Inquiries are invited and will be given confidential, courteous and prompt attention.

For further information contact:

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