I found it in the Archives.

Oregon's 1959 Centennial celebration

Oregon Highway Division Photograph, Oregon State Archives

Laurel Tofflemire Seems likely the photographer was Jack Snelson. I messaged Kenneth Snelson to see if he knows the date of the image and circumstances. Here is a little background from his son's website:

"The town where I grew up-Pendleton, in northeastern Oregon-is f... See More

Kenneth Snelson

KENNETHSNELSON.NET

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Kenneth Snelson Yes, dad took several photos of the mule train and also covered wagons set up by the Pendleton Roundup for publicity. The shot with the Boeing 247 was one of several fly-by shots both with the mule train and with a covered wagon set -- pioneer men and ... See More

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Laurel Tofflemire Thank You so much for the information!

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Oregon State Archives Laurel Tofflemire, Thank you for checking into this. After I looked through that page that you linked I knew you were correct because we have a copy of that photo with the Tipis setup which is filed right next to the photo of the wagon and airplane. Thank you again for your excellent input. ☺

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Oregon State Archives Kenneth Snelson, Thank you for providing the excellent background information about this photo. This photo is so cool I wonder why they did not go with it instead of the cut & pasted one you noted. Your dad had one heck of an eye for photography! This is now one of my favorite photos that we have here at the Oregon State Archives. ☺

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Allen Hunt Wonderful photo..

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Background photograph of Oregon trail ruts in Baker County, Oregon State Archives photograph #bakDA0042a