

Mallicoat Says Boeing Set When Land Deals Done

The Boeing Company, which would have been on the Boardman site six months ago if land deals had been completed, will be ready to move in with development shortly after these deals are finalized, probably by the end of March. Sam Mallicoat, director of the State Department of Development and Planning, told a group of 65 persons at Boardman Tuesday night.

He spoke at the annual meeting of SPADA (Space Age Industrial Park Association) and the group included mayors, Chamber of Commerce presidents and other invited guests.

The speaker predicted that there would be no "boom" at first and said that his department would feel satisfied if 150 to 200 men were included in the early Boeing contingent.

Hope that contracts for the Saturn project, won by Boeing, would bring activity here were lost when it was required that the work be done in Louisiana. It is possible that a change may be forthcoming in government requirements which still may mean some work will be done on Saturn on the Boardman site, Mallicoat said.

The director asked SPADA to consider two projects: 1. Working with the state department to seek to have the Army Engineers raise the Willow Creek bridge to 65 feet to permit access by water to the Willow Creek basin. 2. Look into the possibility of acquiring the Echo grazing lands for future industrial expansion.

Boeing will have 11 miles of waterfront and arrangements are being made for a highway overpass to haul heavy equipment to the project from the river.

Mallicoat told of the intense interest in this area and of the great number of inquiries coming into his office about it. He said that industrial development is still the prime project of Governor Hatfield's program. As to himself, Mallicoat said that he has devoted 75% of his time to the Boardman project while Rupert Kennedy of the department has spent nearly 100% of his time on it, doing the bulk of the work on completing land transactions.

Bill Belt, of Hermiston, president of SPADA, was in charge of the meeting and gave a progress report to the group of the past year's activities. Three directors whose terms are expiring were reelected. They include Bill Barratt, Heppner, Dallas Dusenbery, Umatilla, and Garland Swan-

son, Ione. At the conclusion of the meeting, the new motion picture, "Oregon Today," designed to show this state's advantages to industry and made under sponsorship of banks and public utilities in the state, was shown.

Cards at Home Friday in Finale; Mustangs on Road

Basketball fans can look with some sadness on the coming week-end for it marks the end of regular seasons of local teams this year. Ione's Cardinals finish at home Friday night against Stanfield in a western division contest of the Morrow-Umatilla B league.

Heppner, which played its last home game Friday night against Sherman county (Moro), has two on the road at John Day for its last action of the season, a pair with the Grant Union five.

Ione will then prepare for the tournament in district 7-B but there will be no tournament for the Mustangs. Although they have become stronger as the season progressed, they are no in contention for the Greater Oregon title (western division) which Madras has clinched.

Coach Glenn Biehl's Ione lads have an earlier victory over Stanfield and hope to repeat to nail down at least second place in their division. If they win and Umatilla loses to Riverside, the Cards and Umatilla will be tied for first in the final standings.

Coach Bob Cantonwine's boys have split with John Day in a pair here earlier in the season. They have hopes of taking both down south. The Grant Union five lost a pair to leading Madras over the week-end while the Mustangs divided with Sherman county.

Prospects for the young Mustangs look good for next year. Captain Bruce Moyer and Kit George will play final games at Heppner, being the only seniors. A number of juniors, a strong contingent of sophomores and more underclassmen coming up from the jayvees hold promise for the future.

Ione will be a little harder hit by graduation. Although high-scoring Ron Crabtree will be back next year, the team loses Tom Pointer, just now coming into his own, Wayne Hams and Jerry Davidson. Ken Nelson, who did not turn out this season because of a football injury, will also graduate.

The tone finale will be a doubleheader with the jayvee curtain-raiser at 6:45. Special entertainment, a trombone act by the Halvorsen-Hemblinger performers, will be at halftime of the varsity game.

Washington Birthday Closures Scheduled

Because Washington's birthday is a holiday for some public offices, the post office will be closed here Thursday, February 22. All offices in the courthouse, with the exception of the county school office, will be closed. Since public schools remain open, the county office will stay open.

Ted Smith, city recorder, says that the city office will remain open and both banks will also be open. The Gazette-Times will be published at the regular time but since the post office will be closed and no delivery will be made, most subscribers will not be able to get their papers until Friday morning. The Gazette-Times office will be open, however, on Thursday.

New Members Join Honor Society In Initiation

Following the motto of the Heppner High School Honor Society, "Light is the Symbol of Truth," seven new members were initiated into the local chapter at candlelighting services Monday evening. Officers of this year's organization, assisted by members, challenged incoming candidates to live up to the obligations under which they were selected on merits of keeping a high standard of scholarship, developing and exercising qualities of leadership, enlisting in worthy service, and growing into such characters as shall enrich the lives of all with whom they associate.

The Heppner Society was organized in 1954 with five charter members. It is one of 6,000 chapters in the United States, Hawaii, Alaska and Puerto Rico. Membership is limited to 15% of the student body of any school and to those students who maintain a "B" average or better. In addition, they must qualify on citizenship and be elected by faculty ballot.

Officers taking part were Mary Shannon, president; Don Clark, vice-president; Ronnie Belsma, secretary; Beverly Blake, treasurer; Sandra Harshman, Kenny Daggett, Norma Ferguson and Beverly Davidson, guards. Judy Schmidt was chairman of the refreshments. Faculty advisor is Mrs. Ray Williamson.

New members initiated were Shan Applegate, Shirley Carlson, Jacqueline Brindle, Laura Sumner, Martha Doherty and Ann Jones, all juniors; Jennifer Brindle and Bill Sherman, sophomores.

Scholarship letters will be awarded at the end of the year in four academic studies: English, Social Studies, Math and Science, according to Mrs. Williamson. This is the first year for these awards.

Members, parents and friends enjoyed a social hour at the close of the ceremonies.

Returns Top Last Year On Drive

Response to the Mother's March of Dimes campaign on January 31 was most encouraging and cooperative, according to reports of the co-chairmen, Mrs. Don Bennett and Mrs. Glen Ward.

Contributions in the total of \$348.35 were delivered to the chairman at the close of the evening. This amount more than doubled that received last year, but total overall receipts to date are below those of last year. A volunteer team of 34 mothers worked together throughout areas blocked out ahead of time by the chairman and public response was very good.

The march is but one area of the campaign. Schools are conducting contests among classes and work projects are sponsored by students for benefit of the drive.

Residents who have not returned the special mailing envelopes with contributions are urged to do so. Only \$220.90 is in the hands of the treasurer, Larry Prock, from this source. This is the only way through which the rural areas and outlying communities are reached so a special appeal is made by the county chairman, LaVerne Van Marter, and Mrs. Jack Loyd, for prompt returns by mail.

The drive will continue through February to take care of late returns. At least \$2000 is desired to carry on work in the county and to meet requirements of the National Foundation.

Volunteers taking part in the Mother's March included Mrs. Jim Prock, Mrs. Elmer Berry, Mrs. Frank Payne, Mrs. Roy Erickson, Mrs. Clyde Allstott, Mrs. Fred Gimbel, Mrs. Coraude Applegate, Mrs. David McLeod, Mrs. Haskell Sharrard, Mrs. Nels Anderson, Mrs. Bill Scott, Mrs. George Stillman, Mrs. Bill Heath, Mrs. Judy Brannoff, Mrs. Jack Loyd, Mrs. Jim Myers, Mrs. Harry O'Donnell, Jr., Mrs. Tim Moore, Mrs. Bob Abrams, Mrs. Delmer Buschke, Mrs. Herman Stroeber, Mrs. Vern Evans, Mrs. Wayne Prock, Mrs. Bert Huff, Mrs. Gordon Pratt, Mrs. R. Munkers, Mrs. David Eckman, Mrs. Brad Peck, Mrs. Morgan Connor, Mrs. Don Munkers, Mrs. Ray Ayers, Mrs. Bud Marshall, Mrs. Mike Whitesmith, and Mrs. Kenneth Cutsforth.

Apartment Hit In Saturday Fire

The second fire to strike apartments in Heppner within a three-day period severely damaged an upstairs unit occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Ron Gray and baby daughter in the Pettijohn Apartments on Curt street, three doors north of the courthouse Saturday night.

Firemen responded quickly and had the fire extinguished in a very short time. The 11 volunteers remained at the scene, however, until all mopping up was done after 10 p. m.

Fire Chief Charles Ruggles said that damage may approximate as much as \$1000. Considerable damage was done to the living quarters and windows were broken out. A davenport, which the fire started, apparently from a cigarette, was a total loss, as was other furniture in the apartment.

Two or three units in the building were occupied but damage was very light in them. Chief Ruggles said only 75 gallons of water was used to put out the fire.

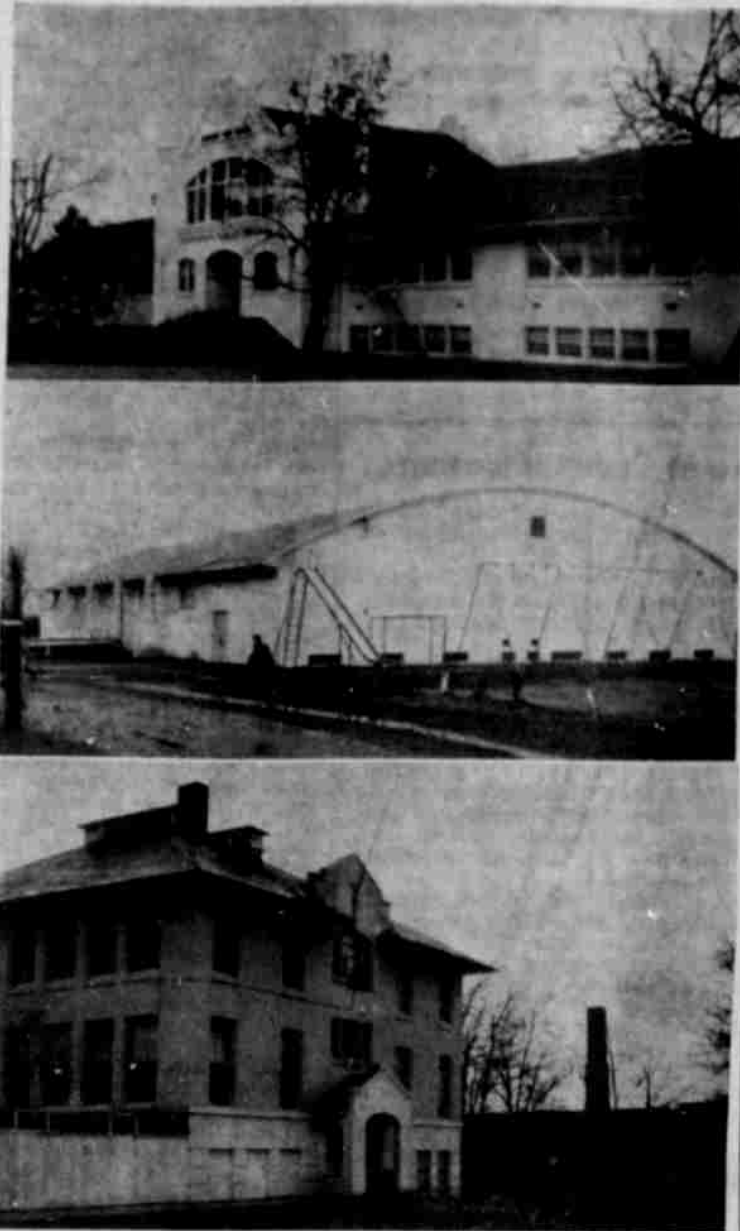
Just three days earlier, Thursday, February 8, a fire hit an apartment occupied by Gerald O'Malley at the corner of Water and Jones streets. Occupants were erroneously listed as Mr. and Mrs. Stacey Lovgren in the story last week. The Lovgrens occupied an apartment in the building and sustained some damage but not the upstairs unit that was the source of the blaze.

First Aid Classes Hold Registration

Red Cross first aid classes got underway last Thursday evening at the Heppner grade school multi-purpose room. Registration was taken for the course which will continue for two weeks, meeting on each Tuesday and Thursday evenings at 7:00 p. m. Tonight's (Thursday) class will meet in the high school library room.

A three week advanced course will follow and those interested may contact Mrs. H. J. Stroeber. All of the classes are sponsored by the American Red Cross, and instructors are Bill Crook of the Forest Service and Bob Cantonwine, high school coach.

Board Seats Mrs. Anderson; Gives Guarantee on Levy



CONTEMPLATED rising of the John Day reservoir on the Columbia river and the Boeing development are bringing problems of relocation and adjustment to the Boardman and Irrigon schools. The Riverside High school and Boardman elementary school (housed in the building at top above) must be rebuilt on a new location. Some five or six feet of water will be on the ground where the present structure now stands when the reservoir rises in 1966. The gym, relatively new building (second from top), will also yield to the water. The old Irrigon high school (bottom photo) is not affected by the flood, but seventh and eighth grade classes, composed of Boardman and Irrigon pupils, will be moved into the A. C. Houghton school (just visible, right background) when new addition is constructed at the school. (G-T Photos)

School Head Contracts Are Okayed

Mrs. Nels Anderson was seated as a member of the Morrow County District 2-1 school board at the regular meeting Monday night, filling the vacancy left with the recent resignation of Mrs. Elaine George. Since Mrs. George's term would have expired at the conclusion of this fiscal year, Mrs. Anderson will need to run for election in May if she wishes to continue on the board. Term of Dick Wilkinson also expires at that time.

Mrs. Anderson was appointed by the board to the position upon recommendation of the Heppner advisory committee.

Discussion of the forthcoming bond election took much of the interest at the board meeting. In this connection, Administrator Robert Van Houte said, "We ask voters of the district to consider our basic needs as a single district responsible for education of all children in the district. We face the responsibility of providing educational opportunities regardless where the children live in the county. I feel this issue presents a real challenge to voters of the district."

It was brought out at the meeting that the plans for Riverside High school, which also now includes the Boardman elementary school, are purely tentative and have not been studied for final approval by the board. Consideration is being given to moving classrooms out of the building for separate use by grade school pupils.

It was also brought out that the gym in the Riverside building will be approximately as large as that proposed for the Heppner-Lexington high school and will seat 960 spectators. Election on the bond proposal, which would call for an issue of \$870,000 to be paid over a 20-year period, is scheduled for Monday, February 26 throughout the county, and polling places will be open from 2 until 8 p. m.

Attorney Robert Abrams, in a report to the board, cited Oregon law (ORS 294.100) that would prohibit the board from levying the serial levy in addition to the bond issue, if the latter is approved by voters. The board also passed a resolution that entered in the minutes the guarantee that no attempt would be made to use the serial levy.

Director Harvey Warner of Irrigon made a strong plea to his colleagues on the board to consider a separate elementary school for the Boardman pupils and for permitting the Riverside school to be placed closer to the community he represents. The board voted an expression of thanks to the County Committee for Better Schools for work being done to reach the public with the facts on the proposed bond issue, and for the brochure that was sponsored and is being distributed by the committee. Van Houte said that the school budget has been completed and will be presented at a public hearing on March 26. It will call for no increase in taxes over the 1961-62 budget, he said. Total expenditures will be approximately \$895,000. While this is some above last year, receipts will also be up, offsetting the climb in costs.

Administrators of the system were offered contracts, after deliberation by the board, with salaries in conformity to the salary schedule as follows: Darrel Reich, Ione, 1 year, \$8,348; Ron Daniels, Riverside, 1 year, \$8,276; Hillard Brown, Heppner and Lexington elementary, 3 years, \$8,848; Don Glimsheid, Irrigon, 3 years, \$7,527; and Robert Van Houte, county administrator, 3 years, \$11,000. Gordon Pratt, Heppner-Lexington high principal, who will be on his second year of his current 3 year contract, received approval for salary increment to \$9,917 in accordance with the salary schedule.

Consideration of contract for Don Clark, Ione elementary principal, was deferred until the March meeting. The board voted to expand the advisory committee for Heppner so that the Hartman area was enlarged to include Raggs and Eightmile.

Panel on Schools At PTA Tonight

Members of the Morrow County Committee for Better Schools will present a panel discussion on the coming building bond issue. They will have printed brochures available which explain the building plan and show sketches of the proposed plants to be erected in Irrigon, Boardman and Heppner.

There will also be a report from the nominating committee and nominations of new officers for the coming year. Fourth grade room mothers will be in charge of the annual "Founders' Day" observance following the meeting.

Meets to Discuss Zone Ordinance Slated Monday

Two meetings will be held in the county Monday, February 19, to discuss draft of an interim county zoning ordinance, it is announced. One will be at 2 p. m. in the Ione Legion hall to discuss the ordinance with the people between the south boundary of the bombing range and the baseline, which is located one-quarter mile north of Ione, according to County Judge Oscar Peterson. All interested are invited to attend.

The second will be Monday evening at 7:30 at the Boardman city hall and is intended to provide information to the public on the content of the ordinance.

The county planning commission and the county court spent several months on the development of the ordinance which they feel is a necessary part of a sound development program.

While the ordinance does not regulate land while it is being used for agriculture, horticulture, grazing or the growing of timber, it does provide for control of development of a more urban type that is likely to come with new growth.

The ordinance only affects areas outside incorporated cities and only as far south as the baseline. It will not be applied to the bombing range or to the land acquired by the state in the Boeing development.

The public is invited to the meeting.

WEATHER

(Leonard Gilliam, observer)

	Hi	Low	Prec.
Thursday	56	27	fog
Friday	53	31	fog
Saturday	54	33	trace
Sunday	54	33	rain T
Monday	43	31	.01
Tuesday	56	36	—
Wednesday	52	38	trace
Thursday	56	33	.03

Total rainfall in February was 2.1 of an inch.

Dale Slusher Explains Direct Distance Dialing

With direct distance dialing scheduled to come to this area within the next three months, Dale Slusher, manager of the Pendleton district of Pacific Northwest Bell, appeared at the Heppner-Morrow County Chamber of Commerce meeting Monday to report on plans and explain operation of the new system.

Thousands of pieces of new equipment have been installed and are being installed to make direct dialing possible, he said. When it is in operation, everyone with a dial telephone can make a direct long distance dial call. Operators have been using DDD for some time, he said.

Under the new plan, all long distance calls will be station to station, and the dialing will require three steps: 1. Dial digit "1" to throw the call into the long distance trunk. 2. Dial the three digits assigned as the area code in which the destination of the call is located. 3. Dial seven digits to get the particular station sought in the call.

Under the accounting system to be used here, the operator will respond only after the number is dialed to get the number from which the party is calling for billing purposes. This done, the party completes the call himself just as if he were calling a friend in his home town, although there are more digits to dial.

Each area served across the United States will have a code number of three digits. The entire state of Oregon comprises one area, and code for it will be "503." However, when an Oregonian dials another town in the state, he does not have to

include the code number in the call.

When the caller does not know the number of the party he wants to reach, he merely dials the operator, Slusher said. If he gets a busy signal on his long distance call, he merely waits and tries again, and the accounting system automatically sees to it that he is not billed.

Direct distance dialing eliminates all letter prefixes in order to provide for more central offices. Because of the rapidly expanding use of telephones, the number of possibilities were fast running out under the letter prefix system. Use of figures will also eliminate some confusion that occurs because of the similar sounding letters in the old prefixes.

Slusher said that Heppner, Ione and Lexington will receive new directories ahead of the rest of the area, and they are due to arrive about April 28. At this time the three towns will switch to seven-digit numbers. Heppner will have the prefix 676, Ione 422, Lexington 989. Others will be: Echo 376, Hermiston 567 and Pendleton 276. Umatilla will add 922-3 to its present three digits.

The new directory will be in four sections, and one change will find all Heppner, Lexington and Ione numbers together, the manager said. The cover will be designed for fast location of the section desired.

When the changeover is made, phone users will find that they must dial all seven numbers in order to complete local calls. Slusher showed the film, "Mr. Digit," at the conclusion of his talk. He was introduced by Gene Pierce, program chairman.