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The family from the near East Foundation of New York City was taken of the late Anderson family prior to their flight across the Atlantic Ocean to Paris, France, en route to Niger, West Africa, where he will do extension work for the foundation. Surrounding Mr. and Mrs. Anderson are the four sons who went with them (from left) Kit, Dave, Rick (by his mother in front) and Doug, Anderson, former Morrow county agent, took a leave of absence from the Oregon State extension service to take the new position. (Story on Page 5)

## Morrow Clubs Mark National 4-H Week

Morrow county 4-H clubs this week are joining some two million other 4-H club members in the observance of National 4-H club week, September 25 to October 2.

Second section of this paper is devoted to the work of the 4-H clubs with an emphasis on those in Morrow county. Local business firms have assisted with sponsorship of the section, and in it the Morrow County 4-H Leaders Council expresses thanks to all those here who have worked to make 4-H possible and important in Morrow county.

Members of the club are calling attention to the national week through window displays in stores of various towns throughout the county. Those in the lone area went to church in a group at the United Church of Christ there Sunday.

Gail McCarty, county extension agent, spoke to the Heppner-Morrow County Chamber of Commerce Monday as the program feature of the meeting. He showed colored slides of many different 4-H activities here, thanked the business people for the support the program receives, and said that it seeks to coordinate with other worthwhile youth movements, such as Boy Scouts, Camp Fire Girls, Future Farmers, and others, to prepare for a bright future of youth and the nation.

McCarty said that horse clubs lead in membership in the county clubs with 71 members.

Attention of all Gazette-Times readers is called to the special emphasis on 4-H in section 2.

## Developers Reveal More on Land Plan

Some of the plans being made by a group of Portlanders and others who have filed for Bureau of Land Management lands in north Morrow county under the Desert Entry act were revealed Wednesday by one of their attorneys, Dean Loney of Kennewick, who met with County Judge Paul Jones at Boardman. Loney told Judge Jones that the group intends to pump water from the Columbia into a 72-inch pipe, and from this, run feeder lines to irrigate acreage in their holdings.

The irrigation system would be pressurized to the point of delivery, he said.

Tentative estimate of cost is \$125 to \$150 per acre to get the

water on the land, and an additional \$200 per acre would be needed to get the land into production. Judge Jones said that he believes the group is thinking in terms of approximately 20,000 acres, which would mean \$6,500,000 to \$7,000,000 for the development.

Loney, who was accompanied by an engineer, asked concerning the possibilities of a labor force, if and when the project is eliminated. He estimated that 200 to 300 men would be needed. Included in the planning is a potato processing plant and an alfalfa pelleting plant.

The attorney said that the group is "very anxious" to proceed with the project but would like to get an answer from the BLM on whether the filings will be approved before going too far.

If the filings are accepted, the group has every intention of moving forward on the project and is seeking the cooperation of the county court and residents of the county, Loney said.

The attorney said he did not believe this project would eliminate development of the irrigation district by others interested in development of the other lands available.

Private owners in the area will be contacted to get their views of the proposal, Loney told the judge. They may be offered the opportunity of joining with the irrigation system, or the developers might offer to buy the private lands.

Judge Jones said that he planned to call a meeting of the county port commission and the county planning commission for tonight (Thursday) if the meeting could be arranged on such notice. If not, it will be held at the earliest possible time.

He had said following his return from Portland last week where he met with Russell Getty, administrator, Bureau of Land Management, that he felt it necessary for the county to determine a policy in relation to the BLM lands.

The lands became the center of interest last week when it was made known that 31 persons had applied for filings on some 17 sections of BLM lands under the Desert Entry act.

Their applications seemed to be in conflict with the intention of a group of Umatilla Morrow county parties, headed by Oscar Peterson of Ione and Rex Ellis of Pendleton, who were considering the possibility of developing the land under irrigation. Peterson was among the 31 who applied, but he emphasized that he had no connection with the Portland interests. He said that his was an independent action.

Meanwhile, several in the county, including Orville Cutsforth, proposed that the matter of a government project should be explored before the filings are granted. Cutsforth said that this type of development might be of greater benefit to the county. At the Chamber of Commerce meeting here Monday he said that outside private capital might not have the best interests of the county at heart.

President Randall Peterson said that the Chamber development committee would be asked to consider the matter for recommendation.

Following his meeting with Getty, Judge Jones said, "We will watch it closely," and with much of his attention this week being devoted to the matter, it appeared that he was doing that.

## Heppner Ford Sets New Car Showing

Brand new 1966 lines of Ford, Mercury and Comet automobiles will be on display beginning Friday at Heppner Auto Sales, Inc., Earl Ayres, owner, announces.

The public is invited to come and see the new cars on display. The entire staff at Heppner Auto is highly enthused about them and will be ready to explain changes in the lines for 1966.

This will be the first of the local car showings. Chevrolet, Pontiac and Rambler are scheduled for the following week at Fullerton Chevrolet and Farley Motor Company. Buick will follow at a later date.

## WEATHER

By LEONARD GILLIAM  
Official weather report for the week of September 23-29 is as follows:

	Hi	Low	Prec.
Thursday	71	40	—
Friday	75	44	—
Saturday	85	37	—
Sunday	65	39	—
Monday	50	37	.05
Tuesday	63	41	—
Wednesday	72	41	—

## Buck Hunters Poised For Opening Saturday

It's "B-Day" again Saturday. The "B" stands for buck deer, potent drawing card for hunters, and 270,000 of them are qualified to participate in the season's opening in Oregon October 2.

In the Heppner area, many of the local hunters will be on the move to forested areas and chances are that a high percentage of them will come back with their bucks on opening week-end.

Joining their ranks will be a transient army of hunters from the western part of the state, and Heppner undoubtedly will be a buzzing place this week-end as they head for the hills.

They will find a generally good reception here, but this will vary down to a strict "No Hunting" policy by some of the ranchers in the foothills.

Some ranchers have started the policy of leasing their property for hunting; others who have paid heavily to control weeds on their places will permit hunting only if no vehicles are used; another group stipulates only that permission be asked. Quite a number who have lost stock from errant bullets, found their fences out, watering troughs shot full of holes and other damage done will be adamant on a "keep out" policy.

In the Heppner Ranger district, Umatilla National Forest, hunters will find a good welcome. Ranger W. S. (Sam) Miller, in charge of the district, said that they will be welcome, and foresters will be available for information.

As to fire danger, he said that the area here is in at least as good a condition as the average year. The light sprinkle of last week didn't cover much in the forest district, but previous heavier rains helped a great deal.

"It's burnable," he summarized, "but the condition could be classed as medium fire danger."

The Forest Service will patrol the district at least on Saturday and Sunday. Ranger Miller said the plan is to aim at fire prevention and not to "police" the hunters.

State officers will have the job of doing the policing, and they always have a busy time at the opening of buck season. Despite dry conditions in much of the state, indications were Wednesday that there would be no closure this year. Governor Mark Hatfield has indicated that he will not close the season, and the State Game Commission apparently is set to go ahead.

Prospects are pretty fair for a good season. State Agent Glen Ward said that he believes conditions to be quite similar to last year, and the percentage of kill was pretty heavy on the first days in 1964.

With an excellent supply of summer rains and waters this year, eastern Oregon has had its best range condition in years. As a result deer are widely scattered and hunters will find few concentrations of them. Food is ample, and animals can fill their stomachs within an hour's feeding. Thus, they will be bedded in the thickest most of the day. Some hunters may have to work hard for their bucks.

General season extends through October 24.

## Hearings Attract Chamber Interest

Attention was called to two public hearings of interest to business people and residents of this area at the Monday luncheon meeting of the Heppner-Morrow County Chamber of Commerce.

Public Utility Commission will hold a hearing in Condon on Wednesday, October 13, at 10 a.m. in the circuit court room of the Gilliam county courthouse on Union Pacific's plan to discontinue less-than-carload freight service in Oregon. This is one of several hearings scheduled in the state.

Heppner business firms have been particularly interested in this proposal because much of freight service in small quantities to this area has been by rail to Arlington with pickups made there by truck.

Chamber President Randall Peterson urged all businessmen interested to attend and asked the development committee to consider the matter for recommendation and representation.

Judge Paul Jones called attention to the fact that a hearing is also scheduled for Condon in October on the Corps of Engineers proposal to make a study of the John Day River watershed for possible development. This also is of keen interest to many in this area. Original date for the hearing has been changed, and he did not know the re-scheduled date. Any interested, however, should contact him and he will notify them of the date when he learns of it.

## Parishioners Join To Sponsor Trip For Father Beard

Father Raymond Beard left Tuesday for the east and New York City, his primary destination being to see Pope Paul in New York when the pope visits there October 4 and 5.

The trip east is a gift from Father Beard's parishioners of St. Patrick's and St. William's churches with members in Heppner, Ione and Lexington contributing.

Scheduled to leave Monday, Father Beard postponed the trip because of the death of Pat Mollahan but departed following the services Tuesday.

He was scheduled to fly from Portland and planned to stop in Chicago en route. While in New York he will also visit friends there. Father Beard planned to be back in Heppner late next week.

Thrilled and excited about the trip and the generosity of his parishioners, he said, "Nothing like this has ever happened to me before."

## Interest Stirred For Organization Of Senior Club

The Soroptimist Club of Heppner, busy completing arrangements for the October 13 organization meeting for a proposed Club for Senior Citizens, announces that cooperation of persons owning facilities suitable for a meeting place has been most satisfactory.

The Soroptimists wish to make it clear, however, that they do not plan to take an administrative part in this proposed club. They are planning the first meeting to invite those interested to meet and organize themselves, and will be happy to assist the senior citizens group in any way they can.

It is hoped that there will be a good turnout at the organization meeting planned for Wednesday, October 13, at 8:00 p.m. at the former Heppner Flower Shop in the Case Building. This first meeting will be an evening meeting and the Soroptimist women are working women and free to meet in evenings only. Following meetings, however, are expected to be in the daytime.

## Mustang Gridmen Win Third Straight Game

Rolling their season's point total to 76 while holding the opposition in three games to a lone touchdown for seven points, the rambling Heppner High football team decisively downed the Hermiston Jayvees here Saturday night, 20 to 0.

All three of Heppner's touchdowns were dandies. One came on a 32-yard run by Tim Driscoll, and two others on long aerials with Driscoll on the throwing end of each.

The run was in the first quarter, when Tim swept around right end, Mark Murray provided something brand new and intriguing when he place-kicked the extra point, novel indeed for class A-2 teams. Although the Mustangs mustered another drive in the second quarter, it stopped on the Hermiston 22, and halftime was 7-0 for Heppner.

Hermiston's lone threat of the game came in the third quarter when one of the Jayvees intercepted a pass on the Heppner

## Death Sunday Claims 'Officer Pat' Mollahan

Patrick A. Mollahan, who would have been 72 on Friday, October 1, died Sunday, September 26, in St. Anthony hospital, Pendleton, after he had undergone several operations for a liver ailment.

Officer Pat had served Heppner and Morrow county for 25 years in various capacities including policeman, deputy sheriff and in the water department before his retirement from the city police force in early April.

Requiem mass was in St. Patrick's Catholic church Tuesday, September 28, at 10 a.m. with Father Raymond Beard celebrant. Recitation of the rosary was Monday night in the church.

Interment was in Olney cemetery, Pendleton.

Patrick Mollahan was born October 1, 1893, in County Leitrim, Ireland, and came to Oregon in 1911, following an older brother James, to this county.

He was married to Elsie Mae Owen in Heppner on April 27, 1929, and in 1940 they bought a ranch north of Heppner where they have lived since.

A 45-year member of Heppner lodge, BPOE No. 358, Mr. Mollahan acquired his middle initial "A" in the lodge in order to avoid confusion with others in the organization of the same name. He was christened Patrick Mollahan without a middle name and the "A" stood for no name.

It was in 1940, too, that he started working for the city as a patrolman under Chief Albert Schunk. In 1942 he went to the county to become deputy sheriff for Sheriff John Fuiten while Sheriff C. J. D. Bauman was on leave from the office for service in World War II in the Seabees.

In 1945, Mollahan returned to city employment, working in the water department for four years before becoming police chief in 1949. After five years as chief he stepped down to the post of relief officer which he held until his retirement in April on account of ill health.

Officer Pat was universally respected and liked by everyone. Chief of Police Dean Gilman spoke for the entire community when he said of Mr. Mollahan on his retirement, "No finer man ever walked the streets of Heppner."

He was valued for his experience and level-headedness, and was often sought out for counsel and advice on police matters.

Mollahan was a member of St. Patrick's church and of the Morrow County Livestock Growers.

Surviving are the widow, Mrs. Elsie Mollahan; a daughter, Mrs. Don (Mary) McClure, Heppner; three sons, Robert, serving with the U. S. Air Force in Germany, John of Heppner, and Larry of San Francisco; two sisters, Mrs. Bea Kenny of Heppner and Mrs. Mary Sullivan of Ontario; six brothers, James of Portland, John of Ontario, Barney of New York City and Peter, Francis and Joseph, all of County Leitrim, Ireland; and twelve grandchildren.

Sweeney Mortuary had charge of arrangements.



PATRICK A. MOLLAHAN  
Pictured at the time of his retirement in April, 1965.

## Heppner to Face Wahtonka; Ione Meets Riverside

With three victories under its belt, the football team of Heppner High will face its biggest chore of the football season to date Friday when it travels to The Dalles for its first league game of the season against Wahtonka.

It is an afternoon contest and will start at 2 o'clock. Meanwhile, Ione's Cardinals, after defeating Weston Friday, 14 to 6, hope to make it two in a row as they face Riverside Friday at Boardman at 2:30 p.m.

Coach Jim Potter of the Mustangs figures that Wahtonka is one of the top foe in the Greater Oregon league this year, despite its narrow loss to Burns, 6 to 0.

While the Mustangs have compiled an excellent record to date and still draw mention in A-2 grid polls, their bench is getting thin because of injuries. With Jim Jacobs, David Clark and Bob Dobbs already out, David Hall may be added to the list because of illness. However, Jacobs was due to start contact workouts this week and may be playing soon for the first time this season.

"Wahtonka may be stronger than anyone we play," Potter said. "They make very few mistakes."

Sherman defeated Madras last week, 26 to 13, and kept pace with the Burns Hillanders at the top of the circuit, each at 1-0.

Coach Gordon Meyers of Ione has the same respect for Riverside that Coach Potter has for Wahtonka.

This Ione-Riverside game will be a non-counting contest with the league meeting between them scheduled for the ensuing week at Ione, Friday, October 8, at 2:30. Thus, the first game will be sort of a dress rehearsal for the "game for keeps."

Nevertheless, Meyers would like to have the psychological advantage of scoring the opening victory.



MARK MURRAY  
Mustang tackle who is developing an educated toe.

Coach Jim Potter for his punting in the game. Some of the boots

## Examining Coming

A drivers license examiner will be on duty in Heppner at the courthouse between the hours of 9:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. on Tuesday, October 12, it is announced.

Driscoll gained 110 yards on 14 carries for a 7.8 average and Simon Winters had 66 on 11 carries for a 6.0 average. David Gray led tacklers with nine and Hall accounted for seven.

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Clark probably will be out for the balance of the season with a broken collarbone, and Dobbs has a broken bone in his hand. It appeared this week that Hall, promising sophomore, might be lost to the team because of illness. He was undergoing tests to determine the nature of his trouble.

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