

# Council Schedules Hearing on Zoning

Formal public hearing on the proposed zoning ordinance for the City of Heppner has been set for Tuesday, September 20, at the city hall at 8 p.m. The action was taken by the council at its September meeting Tuesday night.

Mayor W. C. Rosewall said that all persons who so desire are invited to appear at the hearing to speak either for or against the ordinance.

Richard Ivey, consultant for Cornell, Howland, Hayes and Merryfield, engineers who have been working with the city on zoning, will be at the meeting.

The zoning ordinance has been in the process of preparation for the past two years with financing being shared by the city, state, and federal governments.

**Oath Administered**  
Oath of office was administered to Councilman Bill Cox by Attorney P. W. Mahoney at the meeting. The new councilman attended his first session after being appointed to fill the vacancy created with the resignation of Haskell Sharrard.

**New Lights Approved**  
Harley Young, manager of Columbia Basin Electric Cooperative, proposed changing nine street lights in the city to new type mercury vapor lights and adding two new street lights.

For a cost of \$17,600 the city could have 88,000 lumens of illumination in the modernization step as compared with the present 28,000 by the existing lights, he said.

The council approved all but two of the changes. Most of the new lights will be on Morgan street and on Linden Way.

Changes on the latter must be made before contractor starts work on the new stretch of highway leading from the city.

**Alley Discussed**  
John F. Soward, contractor on the proposed new post office to be located at the corner of Chase and Willow streets, appeared at the council to ask what progress had been made on the proposed alley to be located behind the post office site.

Mayor Rosewall advised him that the city had hired an engineer from Pendleton to survey the alley and that he was

making a map of his proposal for a 16 ft. alley except for one "bottleneck" between the rear of Central Market and the telephone building, where it narrows to 13 ft. 2 inches.

Soward said that plans of the post office department allowed only for a 13 ft. alley, and that to make it wider would put him "in the bite of the line" with post office officials.

Councilman Bill Collins suggested that the post office department submit its plans and blueprints to the council so that the councilmen could understand the proposal. Soward replied that blueprints are now in the process of being changed again and that he has two prior sets that will not be used.

"I just do what I'm told to do," he said, "but it puts me in the bite of the line."

He said that Ralph Robertson of the post office department was due in town today (Thursday) and the council agreed to try to meet with him.

**Final Letters Sent**  
A letter from the chief of police to a number of property

owners was sent today (Thursday) and the council agreed to try to meet with him.

**Two Men Injured In Auto Mishap**  
Joe Palmer, 21, of La Grande and Lloyd Riggs, 35, also of La Grande, sustained serious injuries Wednesday afternoon in a one-car accident about seven miles north of Heppner on highway 74.

Both were taken to Pioneer Memorial hospital where their doctor said that Palmer is suffering from a cerebral concussion, multiple lacerations and abrasions and Riggs has a cerebral concussion. The doctor said that he expected Riggs to be hospitalized about three days and Palmer to be confined there for about a week.

Palmer is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Palmer, lone. He is a graduate of lone High school with the class of 1962, where he was a star player on the football team.

Although not confirmed, one report was to the effect that the accident occurred when a tie rod on the car broke and caused it to go out of control. It happened near the Ellis Pettyjohn place.

**Watch Traffic Light, Principal Advises**  
There is only one three-way traffic signal light in Morrow county and that is the portable unit used to regulate traffic at the crosswalk on the street between Heppner Elementary and Heppner Junior High schools.

Apparently some motorists aren't used to heeding the green, red and amber signals. Principal Alan Martin observed after the first day of school.

Although the signal is of a smaller size than those in use in cities, it carries as much authority. Violators are subject to police citations.

More important however, is the fact that children at the schools are taught to cross the street when the green light favors them. One is apt to come darting across on the green signal when an impatient motorist, halted by the red, is prone to continue since he has not observed any children.

Martin timed the light, and although it sometimes seems slow to motorists, its intervals are 30 seconds, the same as many lights in cities. This, then, doesn't mean a long wait and might prevent injury to a child crossing the street.

He requests public cooperation in observing the signal.

# County School Enrollment Shows Slight Decline

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### Administrators Report Good Opening Day

Enrollment in Morrow county schools Tuesday was 43 less than last year on opening day, compilation of figures around the county shows.

Last year's opening day total was 1173, and this year's total is 1130. In 1964, 1216 were registered on the first day.

Two schools showed enrollment gains, the most substantial being that at Heppner Elementary school where this year's total was 469 as compared to 437 last year. Riverside High school registered 88 on opening day this year as compared with 86 last year.

Lone High school had an identical enrollment to last year—58 students. Four other schools were down. Heppner High decreased to 184 from last year's first day total of 196; A. C. Houghton Elementary, Irrigon, started with 161 this year as compared with 185 last year; Lone Elementary showed a first day total of 125 Tuesday as compared with 144 last year; and Boardman Primary dropped to 54 from last year's 67.

All administrators reported a good opening day, but a "mighty busy" one. Richard Carpenter, Heppner High principal, said that only trouble encountered at the school was a difficulty with the bell system that had some classes of the day getting out 10 minutes ahead of schedule.

Alan Martin, Heppner Elementary principal, said that several adjustments in registration were necessary in order to place all pupils satisfactorily, but all went well on the busy first day. Throughout the system, pupils had a full day of classes and plunged right into their academic work.

Number of first graders in the county system is down from last year, dropping to 95 from last year's 113.

Number of high school seniors in the system showed a drop, going down to 80 from last year's 85. Lone High's graduating class is double the size of last year's opening class, 16 this year as compared with eight last year. Riverside High's seniors this year number 17 as compared with 21 last year. Heppner's Class of 1967 is listed at 47 as compared with 56 in the senior class on the first day last year.

Total enrollment in the two Heppner schools this year on the first day was 644 as compared with 633 last year. It was 675 in 1964.

By schools, registration Tuesday was as follows:

Heppner Elementary—grade one, 59; two, 65; three, 53; four, 54; five, 53; six, 61; seven, 54; and eight, 61. Total 460.  
Riverside High School—Freshmen, 45; sophomores, 48; juniors, 44; seniors, 47. Total 184.  
Lone Elementary School—grade one, 14; two, 11; three, 20; four, 20; five, 20; six, 13; seven, 14; eight, 13. Total, 125.  
Lone High School—freshmen, 16; sophomores, 17; juniors, 11; seniors, 12. Total, 58.  
Riverside High School—freshmen, 25; sophomores, 18; juniors, 23; seniors, 17. Total, 88.  
A. C. Houghton Elementary—grade one, 12; two, 16; three, 12; four, 12; five, 28; six, 35; seven, 24; eight, 22. Total, 161.  
Boardman Primary—grade one, 10; two, 13; three, 15; four, 16. Total, 54.

### Lightning Starts Five Woods Fires; Area Tinder Dry

A lightning storm that came Labor Day night started five fires on the Heppner Ranger district of the Umatilla National Forest, W. S. (Sam) Miller, ranger in charge, reported Wednesday.

Two of the fires were located that night and three showed up later. Largest was 2 1/2 acres in the Mallory Creek area. Four of the fires were in this area, and the fifth was a "loner" under Tamarack lookout.

Crews of the district soon contained the blazes.

The woods remained tinder dry following the storm, and Miller said that the fire hazard is still considered critical.

He is keeping an anxious eye on the opening date of deer season on October 1 while hoping for a break in the weather that will bring rain and end the drought.

Public cooperation in the district has made it possible to compile an exceptionally good record during a very hazardous season. Ranger Miller expressed grateful appreciation for this exceptional cooperation, and said that the public is to be highly commended for its care of the forests.

Vigilance on the part of district personnel continues. Lookouts continue to be manned, although one post — at Madison Butte — will be reassigned because the lookout there went back to college.

Burning index remains high in the woods, Miller said.

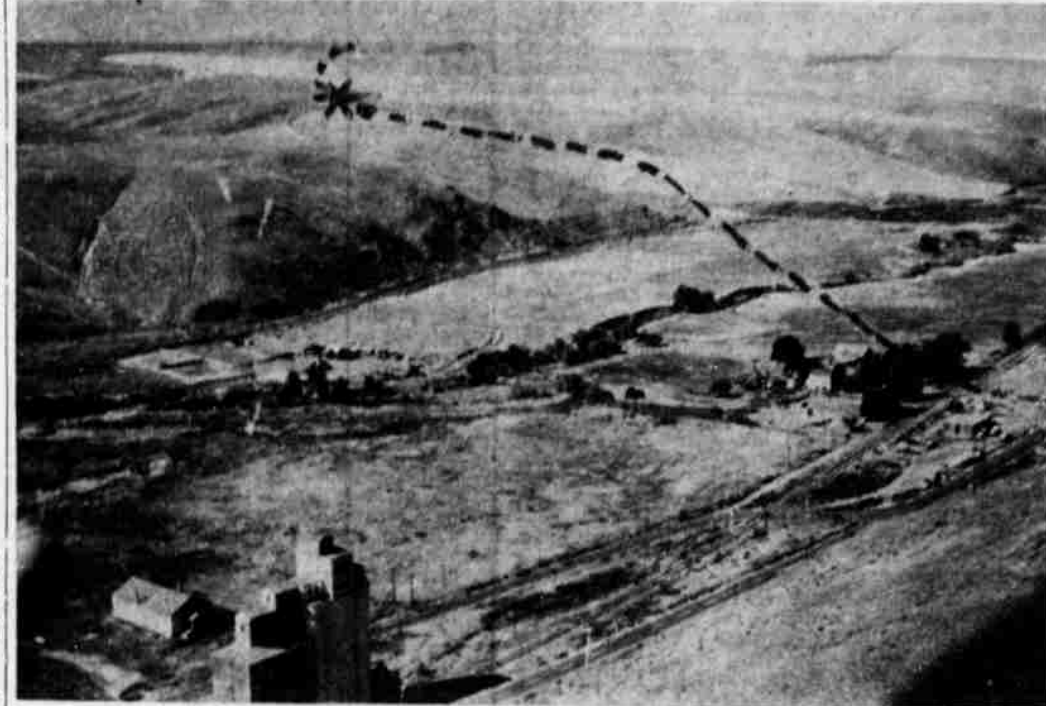
### Lone Grid Team To Open at Home

Lone High's Cardinals will open their 1966 football season at home Friday afternoon, September 9, against Dufur, the game starting at 2:30 p.m.

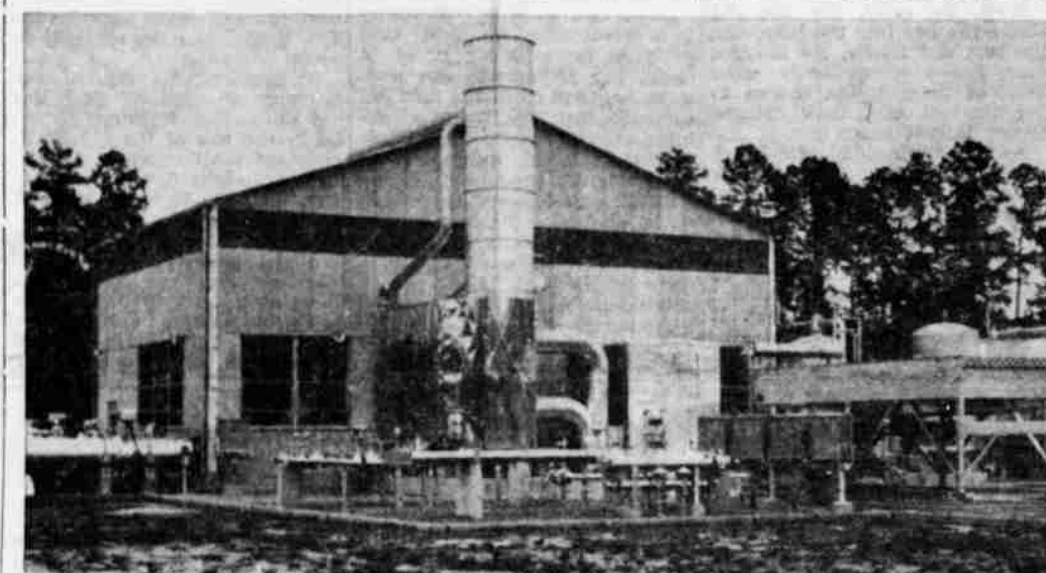
Gordon Meyers is again coaching the 8-man team for the Cardinals and has 17 boys out for the sport. Roster of the players and rundown of prospects for the year was not available by press time.

Following the Dufur game, the Cardinals will be host to Arlington on Friday, September 16, this game also tentatively being set to start at 2:30.

The Cards this year have four games at home and three away. Remainder of the schedule is as follows: Sept. 23—Lone at Mt. Vernon; Sept. 30—Lone at Riverside; Oct. 7—Echo at Lone; Oct. 14—Lone at Weston; Oct. 21—Umatine at Lone.



PACIFIC GAS TRANSMISSION CO., which recently announced plans to build a compressor station near Lone, has released this photo showing the planned location of the station. It will be situated beside the Lone-Gooseberry road, 1 1/2 miles southwest of the edge of Lone. The starred spot (upper left) marks the location, and the dotted line shows route of the gas pipeline that was installed in 1961. The picture was taken during one of the regular bi-weekly patrols of the line.



NEW GAS COMPRESSOR station, to be built near Lone in 1967 by Pacific Gas Transmission Co., will look something like this. The turbine-centrifugal station shown was built by United Gas Pipeline Company at Olla, La., late in 1964 or early 1965. The 6,700 horsepower turbine in the installation above is essentially the same as the one to be in the lone station but certain refinements at the lone station will upgrade it to 9,000 horsepower, a company spokesman said.

### Grazing Assets Go to Loan Fund

Remaining assets of the now inactive Morrow County Grazing association have been assigned to Blue Mountain Community College for the purpose of setting up a revolving student loan fund. President Wallace McCrae of the college states.

The sum totals \$1,332.90, and it will be administered through the Blue Mountain Scholarship and Development association of which Gene Pierce is area representative here.

President McCrae was notified of the action by Gene Winters, secretary of the association. Other members include John Krebs, Jack Hynd, Gaylord Madison and Dick Wilkinson.

### Plans Announced For Gas Pumping Station at Lone

Additional details on plans for construction of a \$2,369,000 gas compressor station near lone have been announced by a spokesman for Pacific Gas Transmission Company.

The compressor station will be located 1 1/2 miles southwest of lone near the Lone-Gooseberry road.

Construction will be in the coming year—1967—as a part of the company's project to speed up gas delivery through the pipeline that was constructed in 1961. The present 400 million cubic feet capacity will be increased to 600 million cubic feet through the 1400-mile pipeline.

The line taps gas fields in Alberta, Canada, and delivers it to California.

The company spokesman said that the station here will be similar in type to that built by United Gas Pipeline Company at Olla, La. Its General Electric gas turbine will operate on gas from the pipeline and is rated at 9000 horsepower. He said that the turbine can be contained in a rather "small package" because of advancements made in the field. This helps cut construction costs.

It was announced last year that only a small labor force will be required to build the compressor station, perhaps 15 men. However, the utility development is expected to help with the property tax load in Morrow county.

### Power Service Here To be Off Two Hours

Electric power service in Heppner will be off for a period of from one to two hours starting at 6 a.m. Saturday, Harley Young, manager of the system, announces.

The outage is necessary to make changeovers on power lines on the north side of town because of contemplated work on highway relocation there.

### Stockmen Request Disaster Rating

(Also see story page 2, Sec. 2)

Morrow county Livestock Growers association has recommended that the county be declared a disaster area because of the critical situation on grazing and feed.

In doing so, the county joins with a number of other counties in Eastern Oregon seeking U. S. Department of Agriculture program benefits available to eligible stockmen.

Because of the dry spring, some growers early this year took their stock directly from feedlots to mountains. Without early rains, pasture on lowland ranches was grazed short and hasn't had a chance to grow back.

The problem is heightened because of a rather short hay crop.

W. S. (Sam) Miller, ranger for the Heppner Ranger district, Umatilla National Forest, said that plans are underway to allow permittees to graze their stock on district grazing lands until November 1.

While agreements with various permit holders vary, usual time of terminating the grazing is October 1. The extended period will use up some of the grazing reserve but will help alleviate the situation for the stockmen, Miller said. There are 20 permittees operating in the Heppner district. Stockmen on the Grant county side particularly face a critical situation with very little grazing left on the farmlands, he said.

### Gridders Open at Pilot Rock

Heppner High's football team will open the season Friday night, September 9, at Pilot Rock against the Rockets, starting at 8 p.m. Forty Mustang candidates have been working hard since August 22 with daily doubles in practice as the rule.

The Heppner football staff is all new this year. Ed Hiestra, head coach, has as his assistants Adrian Cook and Jack Carr.

Facing a nine-game varsity schedule and a seven-game jayvee schedule, the total squad of gridders now numbers 60 boys. Several drew their equipment after school started September 6.

Coach Hiestra said that the 1966 edition of the Mustangs will run from a basic I formation and he plans to employ a varied offense with a lot of passing. Jim Doherty, last year's quarterback, will be the director of this offense.

He has been looking very good in practice and should have a good year, the coach said. Jim is also an excellent kicker and will handle the punting chores.

ence transfer from Sherman at wingback; Jim Jacobs at fullback; and Dave Hall at tailback. This unit will be backed up by some very good boys, including Jeff Turner, Roger Britt, Randy Stillman, Bill McLeod, and Dean Kindle.

In the line, Al Drake will anchor it at the center position with Terry Corbin and Rick Johnston at the guard spots. Coach Hiestra announced. At tackle will be Stan Rauch and either Frank Lovgren or Bob Dobbs, the latter a 230 pounder.

The tight end will be Russell Kilkenny, and Dennis O'Donnell will be split end. Steve Pettyjohn will back up the ends on offense and play defensive end.

Other linemen who are coming along and should see early game action are John Rawlins, guard; Steve Munkers, tackle; and Nalbro Cox, tackle.

Another prospect who will play if his eligibility can be established is Jerry Stefani at guard.

Defensively, the Mustangs will start off the 1966 season with the forward wall of Pettyjohn, Lovgren, Rauch, Corbin and Kilkenny, with linebackers being Johnston and Alsop. At the cornerback spots will be O'Donnell and Jacobs, and safeties will be Doherty and Hall.

"Right now the Mustangs are not deep enough, but with new personnel turning out this week, it is hoped that by the first league game, the Mustangs will have four or five complete units ready to go," Coach Hiestra said.

The coach, who has had little chance to size up the Mustangs' opponents this year, has not had an opportunity to find out about the Rockets' strengths and weaknesses for the Friday night opener. However, the boys from the neighboring town are always formidable competition for the Heppner High team.

A large number of local fans will undoubtedly make the trip to Pilot Rock for the opener. First home game will be against Condon on the rodeo grounds field at 8 p.m. Friday, September 16.