

## Eastern Star Items Reported

### Special to The Bulletin

**EASTERN STAR** — Mrs. Anolan Turner, and daughter, Carole Ann, Mavis Rowley, Laura Dudley and John Prichard attended the Junior Leader 4-H training meeting in Prineville on Friday.

Theresa Goslin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Goslin underwent a tonsillectomy at the St. Charles Memorial hospital last Monday and is doing nicely.

Mrs. Bill Laddrotte is visiting with her son in Spokane, Wash.

Mrs. Walter Prichard returned Tuesday to her home from the St. Charles Memorial hospital where she underwent surgery the week before. She is able to be up around the house and expects to be out next week.

Mrs. Marion Dubuis attended the Practical Nurses meeting in Prineville last Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Margaret Smith returned Friday from a ten day visit in Las Vegas Nevada with her son, Stanley and his family.

Miss Elena Furman and her niece, Shirley Doolin, spent part of last week in Portland where Shirley underwent medical treatment for her legs. Shirley is recovering from polio which she had over a year and a half ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Randall Moore and family visited with relatives in Gresham over the weekend.

The Eastern Star Grange will hold a dinner meeting Wednesday evening with members of the Bend Rotary club and their wives. Mrs. E. D. Fitzgerald, chairman of the Grange H. E. club is in charge of the dinner plans, which were completed last Thursday at their regular meeting. Mrs. Earl Moorman was ill last week with the flu.

Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Fitzgerald have rented the George Barclay farm and moved there in the past year.

John Klobas, a freshman at Oregon State college arrived Friday to spend the spring vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Pete Klobas. His sister, Violet, a junior at the college is expected home today to spend a few days.

The highest pay for workers in any major American industrial division goes to transportation workers, notes a forthcoming Twentieth Century Fund report.



**READY FOR FLIGHT**—Pictured here is the light plane used by Sam Whitney this past week end in spraying rotenone over Little Houston Lake of the Powell Butte community. A volunteer crew is pictured at work here loading the rotenone on the light plane. (Photo for The Bulletin by Oregon State Game Commission.)

## He Gets 25 Miles to Gallon Of Water With Steam Auto

By CARL EIFERT

United Press Staff Correspondent

**MADISON, Wis., (UP)**—Charles Keen boasted today his modern steam-powered automobile gets "25 miles to the gallon of water" and has so much power he's afraid to open it up on the road.

The neat little sport coupe, which he calls a "keen steamliner," has no exhaust and doesn't make any noise, yet has so much pickup that when he steps on the accelerator "it just about jumps."

All of this and speed, too. Keen said he had never had the courage to shove the accelerator all the way down, but he has driven it 80 miles per hour with only partial power.

The uncanny silence is the thing that amazes most viewers. He said the silence comes from the fact that the engine has no exhaust.

All "Bugs" Are Out  
The hand-built steam car has cost Keen, owner of a Madison die and stamping business, about \$3 years and \$100,000 to develop. He said he has finally licked all the "bugs" in the vehicle, "but I sure did a lot of work to get them out."

A steam boiler of his own design pumps pressure 35 seconds after he starts it. The steam drives a two-cylinder Keen-designed engine which is the equivalent of an eight-cylinder gasoline engine because the pistons don't have to make a special stroke to exhaust the burned fuel. Every stroke is a power stroke.

The steam returns to the condenser, which is located where the radiator is in a regular car, and it becomes water again. Then the water is turned back into steam and the process is repeated all over again.

Run On Anything  
Water is boiled by means of a burner, which can be run on kerosene, diesel oil, paint thinner, furnace oil, or even gasoline. In fact, it will run on anything combustible, "including moonshine whiskey," Keen said.

He said his 10-gallon tank of water is enough to last 250 miles and he gets 15 to 16 miles per gallon of low-cost fuel. Unlike the old Stanley Steamer, the Keen steamliner takes only 35 seconds to get up steam. The Stanley took 20 to 30 minutes, and

## Rise is Noted

**NEW YORK — (UP)** — Americans will use enough toothpaste this year to make a dentifrice ribbon that would stretch to the moon four times.

According to estimates of the Collapsible Tube Manufacturers Council, about half of the billion collapsible metal tubes which will be used this year in the United States will go for toothpastes. The council figures some 918,000 miles of these tubes.

sometimes exploded. "The danger of an explosion is non-existent in this car," Keen said.

No Shift, No Clutch  
There is no gear shift and no clutch. When the accelerator is pushed, live steam is fed into the engine instead of more gas as in the internal combustion type engine. To back up, a lever is pulled which merely reverses the engine. It will go just as fast backward as it will forward, which is something to think about.

Maintenance is no problem. Keen figured the car could run 200,000 miles without a major overhaul. He has already driven it about 40,000 miles without any trouble. Keen himself doesn't get all steamed up over his car. He said "it's not super, not colossal, just a nice automobile to drive."

## Here and There

George Tackman was a Bend visitor today from Prineville.

An important meeting of the Ground Observers Corps will be held tonight at 8 o'clock in Brooks Memorial hall, leaders have announced.

Arne V. Simonsen, Eugene, and Kathryn Cork, Redmond, secured a marriage license Saturday at the office of the Deschutes county clerk.

The Bend Community Chorus will hold rehearsal Tuesday at 8 p.m. in Thompson Auditorium.

Summer Huston was in Bend Saturday from Hampton.

Eastern Star Grange will hold

its regular meeting Tuesday, March 22, at 8 p.m. at the grange hall.

Mrs. Frank Hopley is due to arrive home Tuesday morning by bus from Oakland, Calif., where she has been visiting two weeks with relatives of her late husband.

The Triple Link club will meet Wednesday, March 23, for a noon luncheon at the IOOF hall in Redmond. The party had been planned for last Wednesday, but was postponed. Bend members who required transportation are to meet at the local IOOF hall at 11 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Stevenson, 725 Hill street, spent the weekend in Klamath Falls.

Mrs. A. T. Niebergall left Saturday morning for San Antonio, Texas, to visit her son, Second Lt. Thomas Niebergall and his wife, the former Molly O'Connor of Vancouver, Wash. Lt. Niebergall is in the U.S. Air Force, stationed at Lackland Air Base. The young couple have been in Midland, Mich., where Niebergall was employed by Dow Chemical Company, since graduation from Oregon State college last June.

The N.O.W. Thimble club will meet Wednesday at 2 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Ray Cooper, 204 E. Franklin avenue. It was erroneously stated in Saturday's paper that the meeting would be on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Perry and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Warren were among Gilchrist residents in Bend this past weekend.

## Caught Himself Just in Time

**WASHINGTON (UP)**—Rep. John W. McCormack (D-Mass) was a declared candidate for the Democratic presidential nomination next year for about two seconds Sunday.

McCormack roared off a list of possible Democratic candidates on the CBS television program "Face The Nation." When the program drew to a close he was asked if he would care to add the name of "McCormack."

"I would be happy to," he replied. Then, realizing what he had said, "Who? me? oh, no."

McCormack caught himself just in time, seconds later the program went off the air.

## Holidays Cut In Argentina

**BUENOS AIRES, Argentina (UP)**—The government abolished all religious holidays except Christmas and Good Friday Sunday night in what it called a move to help the national economy.

The number of national holidays on which public employees are not required to work was cut from 23 to 11 and affected mostly religious observances.

A decree issued Sunday said only on Christmas, Good Friday and nine other days would public employees be allowed to stay home.

## Delay Planned In Showdown On Farm Issue

**WASHINGTON (UP)** — House Democratic farm leaders decided today to put off until mid-April a showdown in the House on legislation to restore rigid high farm price supports.

Debate on the legislation to reverse President Eisenhower's flexible price program had been scheduled tentatively to start tomorrow.

Some Republican opponents said the postponement meant the Democrats were "fearful of the outcome" and wanted more time to build up a farm-labor alliance in support of the measure.

Legislative Bottleneck  
Democrats denied that. They said the delay was caused by overnight development of a legislative bottleneck.

House Democratic Whip Carl Albert of Oklahoma told a reporter "We could pass it as easily now as later." Chairman Harold D. Cooley (D-Neb.) of the House Agriculture Committee agreed. But he said that delay will give the Democrats time to line up a "bigger majority" in support of the bill.

Rep. R. D. Harrison (R-Neb.), who backed the administration's fight last year to kill the rigid price support program and establish a flexible plan, said the delay is "good news."

Statehood Hearings  
"It would indicate to me that the Democrats are fearful of the outcome," he told a reporter.

The bill had been scheduled for debate tomorrow and Wednesday on the assumption that the Rules Committee would clear it for the floor. But Cooley said he learned the committee would be tied up with statehood hearings. Rather than try to crowd the farm bill into next week's busy floor schedule, he said, he decided to put action off until after the Easter recess which ends April 13.

Building Support  
Meanwhile, Cooley and other Democratic farm leaders began a campaign to build up "grass roots" support behind the bill.

They planned to mail out to farm leaders throughout the country a 10-page pamphlet setting forth the stand taken by organized labor in support of the bill.

## Want to Live To Be 150?

**LONDON (UP)**—Want to live to be 150? Just follow the advice of Moscow Radio.

A broadcast monitored here said: "Just get eight hours of rest a day. Organize your working day 'correctly and cleverly' so as to avoid overstrain. Take a cold shower once a day and a good long walk in the country once in a while. Take up total abstinence and stick to regular meal-times.

But if you live in the Western world there really isn't much hope for you. The broadcast said, "Slave labor under capitalist conditions does not contribute to a long life."

**CUT IN HALF**  
**PARIS (UP)**—The legal lunch "hour" for taxi drivers has been cut in half, it was announced Sunday. From now on, taxi drivers will get only two hours for lunch instead of four.

## Markets

### PORTLAND LIVESTOCK

By United Press

Cattle: 1800; uneven; fed steers, heifers strong to 50c higher; cows, bulls steady; above average choice 10.16 and 10.70 lb. fed steers 24; good steers 21-22; commercial Holsteins 18.50 with utility 16.50; light utility steers 13; good 8.25 lb. fed heifers 20.50; utility heifers down to 12; canner-cutter cows 9.50-11; utility cows 12-14; commercial up to 15.50; young cows held higher; utility - commercial bulls 14.50-17; heavy bulls 17.50.

Calves: 150; steady; some bids lower; good-choice vealers 23-28; odd head high choice above 29; utility - commercial vealers 14-21; cull-utility calves 9-14.50.

Hogs: 850; active; mostly 25c higher; choice 1, 2 butchers 180-235 lbs 19-19.25; choice 3 lots down to 18.50; 250-300 lbs 17-17.50; choice 350-500 lb. sows 14.50-16; lighter weights to 16.50.

Sheep: 1000; active; slaughter lambs strong with extreme top 50c higher; high choice 102 lb. experimentally-fed woolled lambs 22.50; choice fed lambs 22-22.25; others 21.50-22; no feeders sold early; choice light ewes held above 9.50.

### PORTLAND DAIRY

By United Press

Prices were unchanged at opening of the week's trading today on the Portland wholesale dairy market.

Eggs — To retailers: Grade AA large, 52c doz; A large, 50-51c doz; AA medium, 50c; A medium, 48-49c; A small, 44-45c doz; cartons, 1-3c additional.

Butter — To retailers: AA grade prints, 66c lb; cartons 67c; A prints, 66c; cartons, 67c; B prints, 61c.

Cheese — To retailers: A grade cheddar, Oregon singles, 42 1/2-45 1/2; 5-lb. loaves, 46 1/2-49 1/2. Processed American cheese, 5-lb. loaf, 39 1/2-41c lb.



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# Why Scrap Free Competition

**In the production of Natural Gas or any other product?**

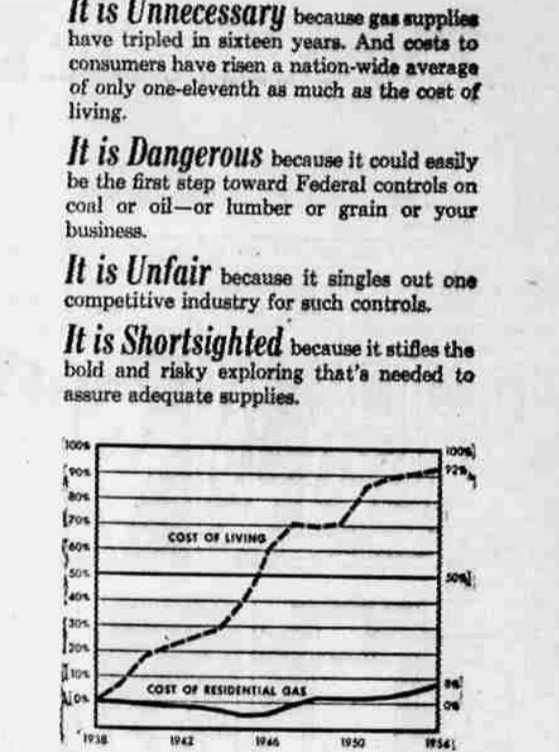
Natural gas comes to most consumers through interstate pipelines and local utility systems. They have franchises from state or local bodies, and have long been regulated.

The producers who find the gas have not been regulated because more than 5,000 of them compete vigorously—and free competition is the best of all price controls.

Yet these producers have recently been singled out for Federal controls and pricing.

This is a step without peacetime precedent—to price-fix a consumer product at its source. It is a step that deeply disturbs many Americans, including the undersigned committee.

They believe the proposed controls are against the public interest and can benefit no one. They believe the issue goes far beyond gas. It goes to the roots of America's greatness. They believe the controls plan is unwise for many reasons.



As shown by the chart above, based on figures of the Bureau of Labor Statistics for a national average, the cost of natural gas to the residential consumer has gone up only one-eleventh as much as the cost of living in sixteen years.

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NATURAL GAS

**OREGON NATURAL GAS AND OIL RESOURCES COMMITTEE**

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Made up of individuals and companies concerned with natural gas and the broader basic issues of a free economy. This Committee believes that it has a responsibility to place the facts before the American people, that they may form a judgment of their own free will.