

Kennedy thinks Russians still in moon race

WASHINGTON (UPI) — President Kennedy believes that Russia is still very much in the moon-space race despite recent statements by Soviet Premier Nikita S. Khrushchev — and so is the United States.

"I would not make any bets at all upon Soviet intentions," he told his news conference Thursday. "I think that our experience has been that we wait for deeds, unless we have a system of verification, and we have no idea whether the Soviet Union is going to make a race for the moon or whether it is going to attempt an even greater program."

The President said he did not interpret Khrushchev's "cautiously worded" statement on the Russian space effort last week-end to mean that the Soviet Union was abandoning the race to the moon.

"The fact of the matter is that the Soviets have made an intensive effort in space, and there is every indication that they are continuing and that they have the potential to continue," Kennedy said. "I would read... (his) remarks very carefully. I think that he said before anyone went to the moon, there should be adequate preparation. We agree with that."

The Chief Executive said the U.S. space program was "essential" to the nation's security, not merely because of the moon race itself, but because it is vital that the United States have "the competence" to master the space environment.

On other subjects at the news conference:

Forces — Kennedy moved to calm West German jitters caused by reports of a U. S. troop reduction in Europe. "We intend to keep our combat forces in Germany as they are today; that is, more than six combat divisions." He added there were plans for some reduction of "non-combat" personnel, however.

Politics — Kennedy went about as far as he could to quash rumors that Vice President Lyndon B. Johnson would be dropped from the 1964 Democratic national ticket. Asked if he wanted Johnson on the ticket and expected that the Texas would be on the ticket, he replied "yes" to both questions.

Cuba — Kennedy said he could not give a precise number of how many Russian troops were still in Cuba, but that the numbers have "steadily been reduced... and since the first of January there has been a marked decrease..." He refused comment on Premier Fidel Castro's charge that agents of the Central Intelligence Agency had been captured in Cuba.

Wheat — Kennedy said negotiations for the sale of an estimated \$250 million worth of U.S. surplus wheat to the Soviet Union were entering the "critical phase," and added, "I think we ought to know in the next days whether we are going to be successful."

Birmingham — Kennedy said U.S. Steel Corp. Chairman Roger Blough had been "helpful" in attempting to ease racial tensions in Birmingham, Ala., where the company maintains a large plant. He said, however, that Birmingham's future "is not as happy as we would hope it would be."

Band Boosters name officers

Special to The Bulletin
REDMOND — Bruce Johnson has been elected to serve as president of the Redmond Band Boosters, with Pershing Andrews as vice president.

New secretary is Mrs. Bart Kirk and treasurer, Mrs. Robert Clary. The group is in the process of making plans for their annual event, a chili supper, funds from which are used to benefit grade and high school bands.

Committees have been named as follows: chili, Mrs. George Yocum and Mrs. Charles Houston; salads, Mrs. Clyde Moore and Mrs. C. E. Braly; beans, Mrs. Buck Kidd; pies, Mrs. E. A. Sage; serving crews, Mrs. Clyde Mallick, Mrs. Fred Hamer and Mrs. Gus Meyers; decorations, Mrs. Don Reding and Mrs. Cliff Bishop.

Clean-up, Bruce Johnson and C. E. Williams; coffee, B. B. Whittier; dishwashing, Pershing Andrews; milk and butter, Elmer Hofstetter; utensils, Vern Hassler; publicity, Don Anderson; crackers and rolls, Mrs. Vern Hassler, and general assistance, Mrs. Vic Tyson, Mrs. Bruce Johnson and Mrs. Pershing Andrews.

POWER CUT OFF
McMINNVILLE (UPI) — Equipment failure at a Bonneville Power Administration substation cut off power to the city of McMinnville for eight minutes Thursday afternoon. The failure occurred at 2:51 p.m. and was repaired immediately.



MR. AND MRS. ADAM JAMES RICCI JR.

Erdman-Ricci vows taken at First Lutheran Church

Miss Judith Marie Erdman and Adam James Ricci Jr. were married October 19 at First Lutheran Church. A reception followed in Luther House.

The newlyweds made a honeymoon trip down the Oregon and northern California coast, and are now at home in Bend at 1540 W. Fourth Street.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Erdman, 723 Innis Lane. A 1961 graduate of Bend High School, she was graduated in June from Central Oregon Beauty College.

Ricci, whose parents live on Route 1, Bend, is associated with his father as a dry wall finisher. He is a 1960 graduate of Redmond High School.

The Rev. Richard Knutzen

performed the ceremony, in which rings were exchanged. The bride's father gave her in marriage.

Miss Carole Koopman was maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Mrs. Robert Knorr, Beaverton, and Miss Suzie Ricci, sister of the bridegroom.

Chris Ricci was his brother's best man. Ushers were William Bennett, Redmond, and Dayle Fissel.

At the reception following the ceremony, Mrs. Bertha Hogen-sen served the wedding cake. Miss Ann Hartford served punch, and Mrs. Dayle Fissel poured coffee and tea. David Hillis passed the groom's cakes.

Mrs. Max Sanderson was in charge of the gift table, and Mrs. Maurice Hillis kept the guest book.

Full automation within 20 years seen by New York industrialist

PORTLAND (UPI) — Virtually all manufactured products will be produced by automated machinery within 20 years, a New York industrialist said here Wednesday.

The forecast came from E.F. Shelley, vice president of U. S. Industries, Inc., a developer and manufacturer of automated machinery. He spoke at a symposium on "Labor, Management and the Public Interest" at the University of Portland.

Shelley said automation will

Odd building poses problem

Special to The Bulletin
PRINEVILLE — A small house of unusual structure, currently under construction at Ninth and Harwood Streets, has verbally inspired both amazement and some helplessness among city council members in recent meetings.

The potential dwelling presents an extraordinary appearance to neighbors who have written letters of complaint to the council, at least one letter stating that the writer feared the structure would collapse on the builder, Harry Cook.

Main external features of the building in its present stage are the use of very short siding boards, running from one stud to another in a mosaic pattern. The building at present also appears to be detached from the chimney.

Jack Gervais, city building inspector, has told councilmen he cannot move to halt construction until the building has reached a farther stage. Latest action by the city council has resulted in a letter from Ralph Brown, city attorney, asking Cook to cease construction since it appeared plain that the house would not pass city code when it reached the inspection point.

Brown said he had conferred in his office with Cook, who expressed cooperation.

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VFW Auxiliary at Sisters gets certificate of award

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SISTERS — A meeting of the Sisters VFW Auxiliary was held Tuesday evening at the VFW hall with the president, Mrs. Milton Hammack, presiding. Ten members were present. In initiation ceremonies, Mrs. Mert Hunking was initiated and Mrs. George Sproat was reinstated.

At the close of the meeting, refreshments were served by Mrs. William Grace.

The Sisters VFW Auxiliary recently received a Certificate of Award in recognition of the continued outstanding assistance in the rehabilitation of hospitalized veterans from the Veterans Administration Voluntary Service in Roseburg. The award was earned from the local group's work and contributions of treats and gifts to Ward 3-B at the Veteran's Hospital in Roseburg.

Mr. and Mrs. William Kindell of Redmond were visitors Wednesday at the home of her mother, Mrs. Laura Zumwalt. The Kindells were leaving Thursday on a trip to Auburn Calif., where they planned to visit at the home of his son.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Jackson and family left Saturday, moving to Paris, Arkansas. He is employed by the U. S. Forest Service and has been transferred.

Weekend guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Willard Nesbitt were their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Nesbitt and son, David, of Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Jacobsen and daughter, Penny, of Salem visited Saturday at the home of his brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Jacobsen.

The Sisters Volunteer Fire Department answered a call to the Art Richards home on Sunday morning. The fire was in the area around a stove pipe. The damage was minor.

Fire chief, L. D. Buell reminds the residents of Sisters that there is an ordinance which requires a burning permit for open burning any time during the year. The ordinance provides that a fine and penalty may be assessed for burning without a permit.

Those from Sisters who attended the Central Oregon P. T. A. Council at the King-

ston School in Bend on Thursday evening were W. W. Johnston, Mrs. Ernest Price, Mrs. Ben Thorp, and Mrs. Richard Hiatt. Various problems of local P. T. A. groups were discussed. Entertainment was provided with songs and music by four students.

Duel Bankston, Clyde Bush and Ray Heiney made a trip to Harper to hunt pheasants on Saturday.

Ricky Buchanan of Prineville spent the weekend at the home of his grandmother Mrs. Charlotte Hoke.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill King and their two children of Lebanon spent the day Sunday visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Edgington. In the afternoon, the two families went to Redmond where they visited with King's brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Burl King.



NANCY JOSEPHINE FOSTER

Engagement news is announced

Mr. and Mrs. Shirley W. Shaw, Madras, announce the engagement of Mrs. Shaw's daughter, Nancy Josephine Foster, to Thomas Brant Barney. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. George E. Barney of Bend.

Miss Foster is a student at Central Oregon College.

Barney formerly attended COC and Oregon State University. The wedding is planned for December 22.

Franchise still causes concern at Prineville

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PRINEVILLE — City councilmen have held a number of conversations in the past several days over the recent renewal of a franchise with the Pacific Northwest Bell telephone company.

Prineville's 10-year franchise with the phone company expired October 13. At the October 8 meeting, councilmen voted to renew the franchise on the basis of two per cent of city telephone service, for the next ten years after a presentation by G. E. Wiley, district manager.

As recorded in the minutes of that meeting, Wiley told councilmen that all communities in Oregon served by his company held franchises based on the two per cent income level. City fathers had asked \$2500 or two per cent, whichever would be the larger figure.

City officials returned recently from the annual League of Oregon Cities meeting, Portland, reporting that certain Oregon communities had received the type of consideration asked by Prineville in their franchises with Pacific Northwest Bell, with a resultant higher income to those cities than the two per cent level.

Wiley attended the luncheon meeting of the city council Wednesday, but the issue was not raised during that meeting.

Increase due on bus fares

PORTLAND (UPI) — City bus fares will go up 5 cents Nov. 17, the City Council decided Thursday.

The council unanimously approved an ordinance amending Rose City Transit Company's franchise to allow the increase. Adults will pay 30 cents for a single fare or \$1.45 for five tokens. Weekly passes will go up from \$3.50 to \$4.

Student fares are unchanged. The company asked for the fare increase because of declining patronage and increased expenses, including a recent pay raise won by drivers.

Banner year for U.S. farm imports, exports is seen

By Gaylord P. Godwin

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Estimates of foreign agricultural trade during the first quarter of fiscal 1964 indicates the United States will have a banner year in both exports and imports of farm products.

The Agriculture Department has estimated first quarter agricultural exports for 1963-64 at \$1.25 billion. This is 8 per cent larger than during the same period a year earlier. The figure includes actual exports of \$820 million for July-August and an estimate of \$430 million for September.

Farm imports in July-August of 1963 totaled \$682 million, 9 per cent more than a year ago. Gains in exports in the first three months of fiscal 1964 occurred in wheat, dairy products, lard, tallow, soybeans, protein meal and tobacco. Exports of fruits, feed grains, and vegetable oils were smaller than a year ago.

The department said that with the possibility of wheat sales to the Soviet bloc, the export outlook is even better than it looked a few weeks ago. The agency said the foreign situation also indicates added U.S. cotton exports this year, especially since the export program has been expanded to permit overseas sales of the fiber from government-owned stocks at prices competitive in world markets.

Supplementary imports — those partially competitive with products produced in the United States — were up 18 per cent in July and August, while complementary, or non-competitive, commodities were 2 per cent smaller.

The department said imports of boneless beef and cane sugar dominated this year's expansion.

The government's weekly weather and crop bulletin said wheat seeding and germination continued slow in the eastern half of the country and in Oklahoma and Texas. Progress

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was more favorable in the remainder.

In the plains, wheat progress is varied, the Weather Bureau said. In Kansas, the crop has made excellent growth, up to 10 inches tall, but pasturing has been delayed because of slow crown development. Colorado reports excellent growth while in Nebraska much wheat is rank with some leaf rust and mosaic.

To the east, most planting is done but germination is slow because of dry weather. In the southern plains the soil moisture shortage has been more critical.

Corn harvesting has momentum throughout the producing area, aided by dry weather, the bureau said.

Farm prices were unchanged in the month ended Oct. 15, the Agriculture Department reported Thursday. The average prices received were 2 per cent below those of a year ago.

The most important price changes during the month were decreases for cattle and corn, which were offset by higher prices for wholesale milk, oranges and wheat.

The cost of farm production also was unchanged during the month. The stability of farm prices and farm costs compared with those of a month earlier caused the parity ratio to remain at 77. It was 80 a year ago.

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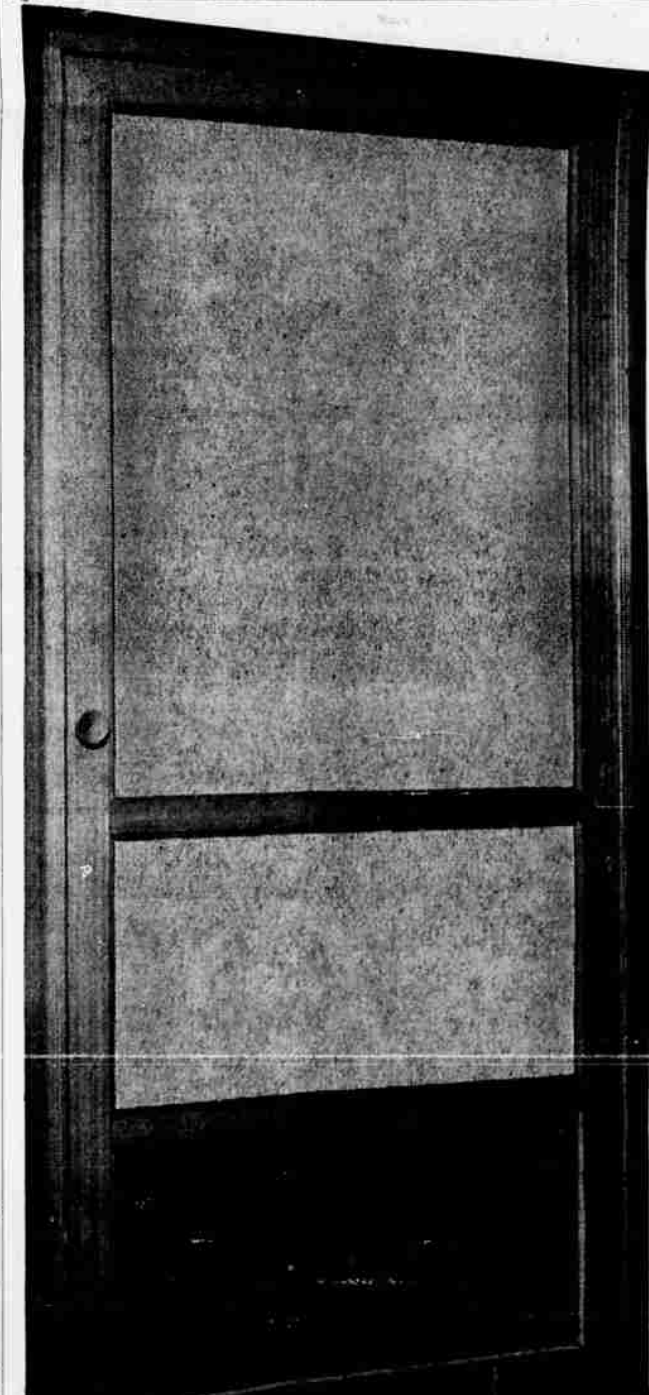
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