

American Homemaker Cuts 10 Hours From Average Day

New York, June 10—(U.P.)—The American homemaker has cut her housework from 50 hours to a 40-hour, 15-to-20 mile week in the last 20 years, but she can't prove she did it all with "labor-saving" appliances, a United Press survey showed today.

Two New York housewives—one with most of the modern household appliances, the other with almost none of them—were pedometers for mileage and watched the clock on their housekeeping time for a week for purposes of the study.

Nine Hours Less
Mrs. "Have" tallied nine hours less labor and 3.66 miles less walking than Mrs. "Have Not," but analysis of their records showed the differences in their temperaments and the capacity of their refrigerators accounted for some of the saving.

Mrs. Chester Schwimmer, 36, with dishwashing machine, garbage disposal unit, automatic washer, dryer, ironer and an automobile to help take care of her 8-room house, spent 36 hours and 40 minutes in housekeeping activities during the week May 27-June 1. She walked 15.09 miles using them and drove another 28.6 miles on household errands.

Mrs. Frank Magel, 37, Albans, with none of those conveniences except the washing machine, worked 44 hours and 50 minutes and walked 18.75 miles.

Reduction On Average
And that, too, is a reduction on the average 50-hour week for city homemakers reported in a 1931 survey of the department of agriculture. While 40 per cent of those 1931 women sent out most of their laundry, both these women did all of theirs at home.

Household appliances apparently saved Mrs. "Have" time in the kitchen and mileage in the laundry. But she walked more than twice as far doing dishes as did Mrs. "Have Not" with her dishpan and outdoor garbage can.

Each took about the same time—one and one-half hours—to wash and iron one machine load of laundry. Mrs. "Have Not," however, walked 4 miles per load, hanging out, bringing in and walking around the ironing board. Mrs. "Have," working in

a small basement area and sitting down to the ironing, averaged just half as many steps.

Almost Satisfied
And both women are almost entirely satisfied with their housekeeping lives as they are. Mrs. "Have Not" envies Mrs. "Have" only for her extra-sized refrigerator.

A good deal of Mrs. Magel's extra time and mileage was run up in trips to the corner store because her own 4-cubic-foot refrigerator just isn't big enough for a family of five. She made eight marketing trips to Mrs. Schwimmer's two—four hours and 50 minutes to two hours, 4.6 walking miles to Mrs. Schwimmer's 1.9 by foot and 8.6 by car. A larger refrigerator, Mrs. Magel estimated, would cut that time and energy by half.

No Serious Damage By Lightning in Portland Friday

Portland, Ore., June 10—(U.P.)—Local police and fire departments reported no serious damage was done by a short lightning storm that struck Portland Friday evening, interrupting electrical service in several areas.

Pacific Power and Light officials said two residential areas on their lines were struck. In the University homes district, metering equipment was damaged and one section in the Northeast Piedmont area suffered a short interruption when a substation fuse was burned out.

The Portland General Electric company reported lightning disrupted service in the north and northeast sections of the city. When it struck two 57,000-volt lines.

Momentary stoppages occurred throughout the area, they said, and the suburban Gresham area suffered a breakdown of service for several hours.

Portland airport and Swan Island were without PGE power until after midnight, but the airport's emergency generators went into service and plane schedules were not interrupted.

Traffic Accidents Kill 28 in May

Salem, Ore., June 10—(U.P.)—Traffic accidents killed 28 persons in Oregon during May, the state traffic safety division reported today.

The month's toll brought 1950 traffic deaths to 107. Compared with 102 at the same time last year. It equaled the 28 deaths recorded in May of 1949.

At least 11 victims died when drivers lost control of their vehicles at high speed, the division said. Motorcycle accidents killed two. Accidents in rural areas again proved more deadly than those occurring in cities or towns, claiming all but seven of the lives lost.

Officials warned that peak travel loads are expected during the vacation season. A factor that annually increases accident "exposure" on rural highways. This calls for careful speeds to maintain car control in the event of sudden emergency situations, the division said.

First Degree Murder Indictment Returned

St. Helens, Ore., June 10—(U.P.)—A Columbia county grand jury Friday returned a first-degree murder indictment against Nyle A. Battin, Delena, Ore., for the fatal shooting of George Devine May 17.

The jury heard testimony for two days before returning the decision. Battin will be arraigned before Circuit Judge Howard K. Zimmerman before the court's present term expires next Wednesday.

Missing Medford Boys Located at Portland

Marvin Yeager, 13, and Ernest Yeager, 12, of 220 Berrydale avenue, reported missing when they did not return from a Boy scout meeting Wednesday night, were located at the home of their father in Portland Friday night, state police said.

The youths, sons of Mrs. Marjorie Willis, reportedly had hitchhiked to Portland.



THEY TOLD ME I FAILED!—Peggy Ellsworth, 24, Michigan's 1947 Miss America entry, jailed on narcotics violation charges in Detroit, said she became a dope addict because "everyone told me I had failed in life." Police said she admitted becoming a dope addict after unsuccessful attempts to find steady work as a model or entertainer.

'Mr. U. S. A.' Contest Scheduled for July

Los Angeles, June 10—(U.P.)—Contestants from all over the United States and one from England will compete in the "Mr. U. S. A." contest at Embassy auditorium here July 1-3, it was announced today.

Bert Goodrich, sponsor of the third annual contest, said the winner will receive a \$1000 prize, a gold trophy and other awards.

A "Miss USA" contest and a "Mr. Western America" contest, the latter for amateurs, will be conducted during the competition.

Turquoise has been mined near Santa Fe, New Mexico, for centuries.

Cain Promises To Resume Filibuster On Rent Controls

Washington, June 10—(U.P.)—Sen. Harry P. Cain, (R., Wash.), promised today to keep talking next week in his filibuster to kill federal rent control if the Senate doesn't vote to shelve the bill.

He then headed for the airport to fly to Cincinnati. Although a little hoarse from yesterday's filibuster speech of 12 hours and 8 minutes, he decided to keep his date to speak at a Young Republican dinner there in honor of Sen. Robert A. Taft, (R., O.).

To Vote Monday
Before adjourning in anger at 3:43 a.m. EDT today, the senate agreed to vote at 1 p.m. EDT Monday on a motion to send the rent control bill back to the banking committee. In a session lasting 16 hours and 43 minutes, administration leaders failed to get agreement on a time to vote on the bill itself.

Cain returned to his office for three hours this morning and said he was ready to resume talking next week if the senate refuses to recommit the bill. He also said he has been promised "adequate help" so that he alone will not have to keep the filibuster going.

Progress Claimed
"Win or lose, we've made progress," he said.

He suggested that the democratic leadership's failure to keep the round-the-clock session going showed that "some people must be constrained to think that all was not going as intended."

Cain refused to predict the outcome of Monday's vote but he said it will be close. Administration spokesmen agreed—but they believe they have the votes to keep the bill alive.

The bill would extend federal rent controls, now due to expire June 30, for six months and permit an additional six-month extension if local communities petition for it.



RENT FILIBUSTER—Sen. Harry P. Cain (R., Wash.) is pictured in Washington as he prepared to resume his one-man filibuster against rent controls. On the first day of his talkathon, Cain spoke for three hours and 13 minutes and sat down only when he obtained unanimous consent to pick up where he left off when the Senate gets some routine business out of the way.

Jealousy Blamed for Setting Fire to Home

Glendale, Cal., June 10—(U.P.)—Arthur Simmons, 29, was jailed today on suspicion of setting fire to the home of Marjorie Hathaway, 24, because she had a date with another man.

Miss Hathaway said she became jealous last night when he found out she had another date and "was waiting outside my house, and hit me with a beer bottle."

Firemen extinguished the blaze, then held Simmons who neighbors reported walked calmly from Miss Hathaway's home and later helped firemen fight the blaze.

20 Packing Plants Qualified Under Meat Inspection

Salem, Ore., June 10—(U.P.)—Twenty packing plants have qualified under the new Oregon meat inspection regulations for state meat inspection, M. E. Knickerbocker, chief of the animal division of the state department of agriculture, said today.

This brings to slightly more than 40 the number of meat packing plants in the state now under state, federal or municipal meat inspection.

Regulations Revised
The state regulations recently were revised to provide for ante-mortem and full-time post-mortem inspection to meet requirements of the new Portland municipal ordinance as well as the requirements of the federal grading service. Plants using inspection under the new state regulations may now sell their products on the Portland market.

Must Have Inspection
The federal agency recently required as a condition to obtaining federal meat grading service that the packing plant seeking the service must have some form of meat inspection approved by the federal officials.

The new Oregon state meat inspection program is acceptable to the federal officials as a result of several conferences between representatives of the federal agency and the state department of agriculture, Knickerbocker said.

Firemen Remind Public About Telephone Use

Firemen yesterday issued one of their frequent reminders to residents to dial the number 22790 for business telephone calls rather than the fire alarm number.

They said firemen were alerted needlessly six times yesterday by the ringing of the alarm phone. Most of the calls were for information on burning permits.

Submarine warfare had its beginning during the Revolutionary war, but with an inglorious introduction. In 1777 David Bushnell, inventor of a little round submarine called "The Turtle," tried to drag a box of gunpowder against the British frigate Cerebus. His mine became fouled and he sank a friendly schooner instead.



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Stone Likeness of State To Appear In Flag House

Salem, Ore., June 10—(U.P.)—A stone shape in the likeness of the state of Oregon will be one of the 48 state stones to adorn a rostrum at the Star Spangled Banner Flag house in Baltimore, Md., the governor's office here said today as Gov. Douglas McKay designed the next week as National Flag week in Oregon.

F. W. Libbey, director of the state department of geology and mineral industries prepared Oregon's stone for the Baltimore shrine. A form was made and a terrazzo composite stone poured, mainly of pink hyalite.

Will Contain Map
The rostrum of the Star Spangled Banner Flag house will contain a map of the 48 states with each of the state stones set in concrete.

In specifying the week as National Flag Week and setting aside June 14 as Flag Day, Gov. McKay stated:

"I am designating this week in the firm personal belief that it is impossible to overstate the inspirational values represented by our flag. Since the days when it bore only 13 stars, it has been regarded by true patriots the world over as a glowing symbol of freedom and the benevolent might of the United States."

Astoria Approves Tax Levy Budget

Astoria, Ore., June 10—(U.P.)—City officials said today Astoria approved a \$304,726 tax levy budget of 36.2 mills for the 1950-51 fiscal year.

They said the budget was within the legal six per cent limitation and about \$7000 more than the current year's levy. Residents of Astoria will pay an 86-mill levy for city, port and county taxes.

The greatest increase in the budget was \$11,000 for the fire department's reduction of the work week from 96 to 72 hours.

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- Paint, wallpaper
- Refinish floors
- Change partitions
- Add a fireplace
- Builtins, Bookcases
- New lighting fixtures
- More electric outlets
- New furnace

KITCHEN

- Modern sink
- Garbage disposer
- New linoleum
- Add cabinets
- More closet space
- Tile drainboards
- Build breakfast nook

BATH

- Replace fixtures
- Install shower
- Tile or linoleum
- Add another bath
- Larger water heater
- Heating equipment

ADDITIONS

- Convert attic space
- Add a bedroom or den
- Build playroom
- Hobby or work shop
- Remodel garage
- Porches, carport
- Sundeck

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- Outdoor barbecue
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- Fences, walls, walks
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- Build a greenhouse

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