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May 1992



Bob Alward of the Bureau of Land Management stands at a point overlooking a stretch of the Oregon Trail near Vale.

Restored piece of Oregon Trail makes pioneers' crossing vivid

The rutted stretch of land near Vale offers a vista of a day's span of ox-drawn wagon travel in the 1840s

By RICHARD COCKLE

Contributor, The Oregonian

VALE — Stagger atop a hill near the southeastern Oregon farming town of Vale, Bob Alward points to the worn wagon ruts.

"The Oregon Trail is sometimes said to be the heaviest traveled in the world," said Alward, a U.S. Bureau of Land Management restoration planner.

"This spot, known locally as Keeney Pass, may be unique in the nation. From it, a visitor can see the route of a whole day's wagon passage for the pioneers who came to Oregon 150 years ago.

And the land looks remarkably as historians think it did when the ox-drawn wagons made the arduous 2,170-mile trek that some believe claimed the lives of one pioneer in 10.

"This stretch could serve as a typical day across the high desert plains," said Alward. "It was a long, dry, typically dusty trek."

The time capsule effect at Keeney Pass is enhanced because the BLM has replanted native grasses.

In fact, the BLM interpretive site at Keeney Pass may look better now than it did 150 years ago, because the pioneers' horse, mule and ox droppings are now eroding the grasses down to bare dirt, said Alward Dowsen, a BLM archaeologist.

"It was used in places as a hot, dusty pull up this hill and down the other side," Dowsen said. "However, there are not many places left with such intact, nice and



largely unchanged vistas, where you can appreciate just what consisted of one day's travel."

From the interpretive site, visitors can see the place where the covered wagons crossed the Snake River at Old Fall Base to the southeast, said

Alward. To the north is Malheur Crossing on the Malheur River, near the hot springs where Vale now stands.

Historians say only about 10 percent of the original pioneer route to the Willamette Valley from Independence, Mo., has survived the ravages of time. The most common destroyers of the historic ruts have been pipelines, roads, agriculture and subdivisions.

BLM crews recently redesigned the interpretive site and rebuilt a structure that was losing its roof to rot, Alward said.

Last summer, crews burned 5 acres at Keeney Pass as part of a plan drawn up by Jean Findley, the district's botanist, to restore native vegetation.

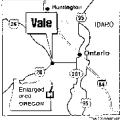
"Even though most of the grass disappeared with the first wagon loads of the season, we felt that it was important to show visitors what these Eastern Oregon prairies looked like," said Findley. "We used the burn to get rid of introduced species and other weeds; to open up and re-establish the area to native grasses, plant wildflowers, sagebrush and rabbitbrush."

For now, BLM workers added 200,000 seeds of native species to the

and Indian pointbeats.

New interpretive panels will be in place this spring to complete the effort, said Alward.

The Oregon Department of Parks and Recreation, Malheur County, a Boy Scout troop from Grants and students from nearby NVHS also helped with the \$10,000 project, he said.



Refurbishing efforts are planned at other segments of the Oregon Trail this year as well. Between Vale and Farewell Bend, BLM crews will add interpretive signs at Tab Springs and Alkali Flat and will improve access by installing cattle guards where gates now stand, Alward said.

At Birch Creek, just south of Farewell Bend, a new interpretive sign is being developed. And plans are in the works at Echo Meadows, 20 miles west of Bend, to install interpretive signs to improve parking, add interpretive signs, and construct a connector to a small overlook.

The BLM also is helping in the construction of a \$10 million National

Briefly

ROSCOE NOTES: I'll be doing research in Nashville in early June as well as at the National Archives in early July. I'd like to find solutions for many requests, but don't count on it!

VISITORS: Frederick C. Keeney, of Nixon, TN, who has ties all the way back to Alexander Keeney, plans to stop by in a few days and compare records. David Reese, of Rent, WA, now living in the Philadelphia area, stopped by and shared the fantastic family record he is assembling on the David Jackson Keeney family. "Jack" was David's great great grandfather, was sheriff of Jackson Co., KY and a delegate to the West Virginia Constitutional Convention in 1863. From information carried in the last UPDATE, David located the graves of John B. & Rachel Keeney, "Jack's" parents, near Ripley.

REPORTERS: Thanks to Keeney kin in Iowa, Virginia, Idaho, Indiana, Arizona and Maryland for sending information for this UPDATE. This is how we can help each other.

MISSOURI WEST: Material is almost ready for publication covering the Michael Keeney/Wancy Ann Wiley family, starting in East Tennessee and continuing in Cass Co. and other nearby counties in Western Missouri. Offspring of this family are invited to add... (see p. 2)

a Historic Oregon Trail Interpretive Center near Baker? (p. 2)

Scheduled to open May 25 and Grand Opening features a tour. It is about the Upper reaches of the BLM's history. It will open a few years before most of the situated Oregon Trail Sequences are... (see p. 2)

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ATOP THE REGION



New DEP Commissioner Timothy Keeney, center, examines the view of the region from the top of West Rock Ridge Park with Alex Sokolow,

right, supervisor of state parks, and West Rock Association President William Dobson. It was Keeney's first visit to the park as commissioner.

DEP chief takes 1st Rock tour

By Barrie Collins
Register Correspondent

Funding for state parks and other conservation needs may be in for some rough sailing in the current fiscal year, but there's a strong new hand on the tiller at the state Department of Environmental Protection.

On his first visit to West Rock Ridge State Park recently, Commissioner Timothy Keeney pledged to push for release of authorized money and seek out innovative ways to meet his department's multiple responsibilities, including state parks, air and water quality improvements and boating safety.

"I want to work on the DEP having the resources to do its job," Keeney said as he surveyed Long Island Sound, New Haven and its vast wooded suburbs from a cliff top looked on the summit of West Rock.

Keeney's visited the six-mile-long ridge, to see some of the park's unique features and review its needs.

Later, at the West Rock Ridge Association's reception for Keeney with area legislators and local officials, the commissioner outlined his priorities, including:

■ Pushing for release of previously authorized land acquisition funds. "We've got \$18 million in the pipeline," Keeney said, "and we're going to go after it." Release of \$2 million a month would enable the DEP to "start moving" on a plan while land prices are a relative bargain, he said.

■ Seeking \$2 million from the private sector to improve Connecticut's heavily used shoreline parks. Corporate help headed off area state park closures this spring, he noted. While park user fees were increased last year, Keeney said, "They'll never cover all costs. The state has an obligation to operate the parks."

■ Cleaning up water in Long Island Sound and revitalizing its recreation and commercial fishing in cooperation with New York.

A federal study with recommendations is due in January. "The sound is probably the most beautiful natural amenity Connecticut has," Keeney said. "Everyone's within one to 1 1/2 hours of it."

■ Reducing the DEP backlog of air, water and sewage disposal permits.

West Rock association President William Dobson told Keeney the park is incomplete because the ridge's northern end, under intense development pressure, isn't protected within the park. The state hasn't released \$1.2 million in bonded West Rock funds for several years, even for two contracted parcels, he said.

Acquiring 600 acres to the north end is critical in protecting the integrity of the "State Trail" junction with Sleeping Giant State Park and the "fod of wilderness" there, Dobson said.

Meanwhile, the association plans to encourage groups to make appropriate use of the park for jogging, cycling, hiking, fishing and nature study, among other things. It will also seek federal historic register status for Judges Cave, where two English judges died after condemning Charles I to death in the 1600s. Park funds are also needed to restore more of the summit drive, Dobson said.

Keeney, a Southern native, returned to the state about 15 years at the federal level (including coastal management) with a civil salary 3 1/2 times that of a Connecticut high environmental administrator, he said.

visitation and Bible teaching. Drop ins are always welcome.

JOHN WILSON KEENEY FAMILIES:
Dixie Dent Walker, granddaughter of John Wilson Keeney (p. 25)
KEENEY Relatives reports the following deaths: Harold E. Keeney, St. Petersburg, FL, age 59, 13 March 1991; Mildred Leaa Keeney Foster Goodman, age 85,

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Dear Roscoe:

I'd like to update you with my family to let you know what is happening for your next "Keeney Update" printing.

My father, eleventh generation Cecil Madison Keeney, son of Grover Cleveland (Aunt) Keeney still resides in New Orleans, Louisiana.

I married Constance DiAnne Lampor and fathered two children: Sean Madison Keeney born June 10, 1970, and Amy Michelle Keeney born April 19, 1976. Constance (Connie) and I have since divorced and I remain unmarried at this time. Sean is attending Vanderbilt University and will graduate in May, 1992 with honors in Economics and Business. Amy is in the 10th grade (and beautiful).

Thanks for keeping us up-to-date. Please add me to your mailing list using the above address. Thank you in advance.

Yours truly,

Richard M. Keeney
Richard M. Keeney

5 September 1991Rurus Lee Keeney, died 1990 in California; John Keeney, brother of Rufus, died in Hawaii; 29 January 1991.

MARIE CALL: Joanne Irene Keeney Panzer, daughter of James H. Keeney of Kentucky (p. 5, Dec. '89 UPDATE) is now confined to a nursing home at 315 W.uber St., Cookeville, TN 38501; she will be 93 August 27 and loves mail. Her husband, David A. Panzer, was born 11-1-1891 in Romanis and died 10-12-1988 in TN.

There are three Panzer daughters: Marjorie Miller 5-7-1919, M. Harold J. Kumerow, Ellen Hazel, b. 12-30-1920, and Joanne Marie 2-7-1938, m. Paul Korwin, one son, Dr. James D. Panzer, b. 2-17-1959, M. J. in Cookeville, TN where he specializes in Dermatology and Allergies.

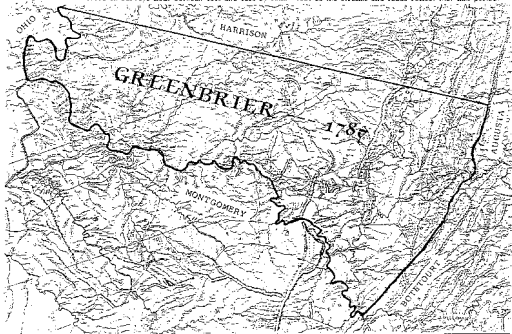
He married Jane J. Borkman, Grandchildren are Margaret B. Kervin, b. 2-4-1971, Ruby Allison Panzer, b. 3-22-1969, and Wesley Alexis Panzer, b. 4-1-1961. Wesley has worked recent summers in the white-water rafting recreational program on the New River in West Virginia.

Mr. Panzer was born in Olive Hill, KY and was raised by relatives in the Cleveland, Ohio area. She did not know her 1st name until the John H. Keeney family was listed in UPDATE.

BRIEFLY (Continued)
their bits of history.

VOCATIONAL: Editor Roscoe is associate pastor of Kanawha City Baptist Church, Charleston, as of May 1, working with a live-wire pastor, Ron McClure. Duties vary from day to day, with a major emphasis on

The base map for the above was the Bucholtz Map of 1839. (Courtesy of the Virginia State Library.) The Bucholtz map was based on surveys made between 1810 and 1820 by John Wood, so the streams and roads reflect that time period.



Greenbrier County Personal Property Tax 1787 - Last "2"

Last Name	First Name	Charged With Tax	1	2	3	4	5
Grignon	John	self	0	0	0	2	5
Gructor	David	self	0	0	0	1	0
Gilliler	Nathan	self	0	0	0	1	0
Gillilan	Samuel	self	0	0	0	4	10
Gillilan	Catherine	self	0	0	0	1	2
Gibson	John	self	0	0	0	5	5
Hamra	James, Jr.	self	0	0	0	1	9
Hamra	James	self	0	0	0	1	1
Harre	William	self	0	0	1	3	0
Hanna	David	self	0	0	0	1	9
Harra	Jane	self	0	0	1	1	4
Hole	Charles	self	0	0	1	1	4
Hullison	William	self	0	0	1	1	8
Hullison	Andrew	self	0	0	1	1	15
Huytas	Robert	self	0	0	0	1	18
Huytas	Samuel	self	0	0	0	1	0
Huytas	David	self	0	0	1	1	15
Iron	Samuel	self	0	0	0	5	15
Johnston	Wm.	self	0	0	1	11	26
Johnston	Edward	self	1	0	0	1	14
Jones	David	self	1	0	0	1	1
Jones	David	self	0	0	0	4	0
Jones	Joseph	self	0	0	0	5	10
Johnson	John	self	0	0	0	3	9
Kearse	Margaret	self	0	0	0	1	3
Kearse	John	self	0	0	0	3	10
Kearse	Saml.	self	0	0	0	1	18
Kimball	Joseph	self	0	0	0	0	1

Greenbrier County Personal Property Tax 1787 - Last "1"

Last Name	First Name	Charged With Tax	0	0	0	0	7	11
Jones	Dorcas	self	0	0	0	0	7	11
Jones	Wm.	Dorcas Jones	0	0	0	0	7	11
Jones	Levin	Dorcas Jones	0	0	0	0	7	11
Jeffries	John	self	0	0	0	0	3	3
Jones	John	self	0	0	0	0	1	1
Jones	Saml.	self	0	0	0	0	1	17
Kearse	John	self	0	0	0	0	3	3
Kearse	James	self	0	0	0	0	1	10
Kearse	Samuel	self	0	0	0	0	1	18
Kearse	Nathaniel	self	0	0	0	0	1	17
Keeney	John	ROCHELLE TOWN	0	0	0	0	1	17
Keeney	John	self	0	0	0	0	1	17
Keeney	Galus	self	0	0	0	0	1	17
Keeney	Thomas	self	0	0	0	0	1	17
Keeney	Jane	self	0	0	0	0	1	17
Keeney	John	self	0	0	0	0	1	17
Keeney	David	self	0	0	0	0	1	17
Keeney	James	self	0	0	0	0	1	17

AVON

The original town of Avon was laid out in 1855 in the southeast quarter of Section 29, Allen Township, and was platted by Charles Keeney. In 1856-1857, the village was a market for butter and eggs. A post office was established on August 15, 1857 (William W. Keeney, postmaster), and the town flourished in the 1860s, being situated on the Knoxville-Fort Des Moines turnpike. Avon was also a center of religious and educational influence that was far reaching in pioneer times. The post office was discontinued on November 1, 1860. The town was later relocated, one mile southeast and called Avon Station (postmaster John D. McGlothlin) on the I. & W. R. R., then was again called Avon. A post office operated at Avon (No. 2) from June 18, 1863 to January 30, 1904, and from April 1, 1904 to March 31, 1921.

Line Incorporated and Ghost Towns Within Polk County



IOWA

CHARLES KEENEY was born in Jefferson Co., TN 20 Dec. 1807, a son of Jonathan & Hannah McGlothlin. Keeney, William, son of Charles, was born in Indiana in 1827. (1850 census)

FAMILY RECORD

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MARYLAND

Clara Jane Grossnickle 62, of near Westminster

Clara Jane Grossnickle, 62, of Salem Bottom Road, near Westminster died Friday, April 10, 1992, at Johns Hopkins Hospital after a brief illness.

Born July 15, 1929, in Frederick County, she was a daughter of the late Ephraim Eli and Margaret Smith Keeney. She was the wife of the late George Thomas Grossnickle, who died in 1972.

Grossnickle was a member of the Union Bridge United Methodist Church. She was formerly employed with H.L. Hartz and the Union Bridge Clothing Company for 20 years. She retired from Joseph A. Bank in 1991. She was an avid bingo player, patronizing various local fire companies.

Surviving are two daughters, Linda Joy of Mt. Pleasant and Susan Holt, with whom she resided; sisters Miriam Reynolds of Baltimore, Annie Muller of Middleburg, Margaret Main of Orlando, Fla., Catherine Johnson of Johnsville and Nina Martin of Taneytown; and three grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Monday at the Union Bridge Funeral Home of D.D. Hartzler, with her pastor, the Rev. Dwight Sheesley, officiating. Interment will be in Beaver Dam Cemetery. The family will receive friends at the funeral home Sunday, from 2 to 4 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. Memorial contributions may be made to the Rocky Ridge Volunteer Fire Company, Rocky Ridge, Md. 21778 or to the Union Bridge United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 460, Union Bridge, Md. 21791.

IOWA

Nellie Holtz

Nellie L. Holtz, 92, Maquoketa, died Saturday, March 7, 1992 at University Hospitals in Iowa City.

Funeral services were held Monday, March 9 at 10:30 a.m. at Haylock-O'Hara & Lahey Funeral Home in Maquoketa with the Rev. Belva Duncan of United Church of Christ officiating. Burial was in Mt. Hope Cemetery, Maquoketa.

Visitation was Sunday, March 8 at the funeral home with a Pythian Sisters Service held at 7 p.m.

Mrs. Holtz was born March 26, 1899 in Andrew to John H. and Mary Kimball Keeney. She married Ben Holtz on Jan. 3, 1917.

She worked at the Toy Shop, Bill Molers and other Maquoketa stores as a clerk before retiring in 1972.

She was a member of United Church of Christ, at 50 year member of Pope Reuben Lodge #136 and a 60 year member of Pythian Sisters #138, all of Maquoketa.

Survivors include three grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, two daughters, Maxine Campbell and Donna Saut; one infant son; one grandson, Jack Lee Campbell; two brothers and one sister.

A memorial fund has been established.

KEENEY, MARGARET

In Southgate, May 8, 1991 Mrs. Margaret (Schmidt) Keeney, 84 of 405 New St., Southgate, former of James A. Keeney, of Cheshire, also survived by a grandson.

Funeral services will be held Saturday at 10 a.m. in St. Peter's Episcopal Church, Main Street, Cheshire, with the Rev. Steven Papp, Rector officiating. Burial will be in St. Peter's Cemetery, Cheshire. Friends may call at the Slater Funeral Home, 242 So. Main St., Cheshire, Friday from 2 to 5 p.m.

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Wednesday, May 8, 1991

Donna Said

Donna May Said, 65, of Maquoketa, died Sunday, Aug. 11, 1991 at St. Luke's Hospital, Davenport.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, Aug. 13 at 10:30 a.m. at Haylock-O'Hara & Lahey Funeral Home in Maquoketa with the Rev. Belva Duncan officiating. Burial was in East Hill Hill Cemetery.

Visitation was Monday, Aug. 12 from 3 to 5 p.m. and from 6 to 8 p.m. at the funeral home. A memorial card has been published.

Mrs. Said was born May 9, 1926 in Maquoketa to Bob and Nellie Keeney Holtz. She married Edward Said on July 26, 1942 in Kaboka, Mo.

The couple earned credit of Maquoketa for 38 years. She was a member of United Church of Christ, Maquoketa, and a past member of Pythian Sisters.

Survivors include her husband; one daughter, Diana (Mrs. Sievel) Keelson of Clinton; two sons, David and Dennis Said of Rockford; 12-1/2 grand-children and her mother of Maquoketa.

ILLINOIS

Roscoe Keeney

STILTON — Roscoe Junior Keeney, 63, died unexpectedly at 11:30 a.m. Tuesday, April 22, 1992, at Jersey Community Hospital in Jerseyville.

He retired in 1967 as a carpenter from Alton Local 377, after 32 years of service.

Born in Alton on Dec. 7, 1928, Roscoe and Gretchen (Barnes) Keeney.

He and the former Marjorie Tansley were married on Oct. 8, 1960, at Davenport, Iowa.

Surviving are his wife; two daughters, Cindy McKinney, 21, South Roxana and Sheila Hernandez, 20, Colorado Springs; and five sons: Barry Keeney of Alton, twins Bruce and Michael Keeney, both of Bethalto, Russell Keeney of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and Craig Keeney, 31, Fiddler; nine grandchildren; three sisters, Louise Ehrig of Monrovia, Calif., Arlene Moore of Bensalia and Gannon May, 42, of Glendale, Ariz.; and a brother, Leroy Keeney of Bethalto.

Anna W. Jacobs

Anna W. Jacobs nee Jacobs, 117, of Marmont, died Feb. 28, 1992, at Marmont Health Care Center.

She was a lifelong resident of Charleston. Surviving are grandchildren. Private services will be held at a later date. The body was donated to Marmont University Medical School. Marmont Health is in charge of arrangements.



WOODFORD W. KEENEY
1844-1916
Civil War veteran
Parents: Michael & Elizabeth
Gateswood Keeney
Wife: Julia Ann Bowles

MRS. PAULINE KEENEY SNEED

Born July 12, 1920
Died Mar. 25, 1992

Survived by son, Rev. David Allen Sneed; Sisters, African Inthar and Amy Short; Step-brother, Richard Harrison; 10 Grandchildren, Kathleen D. Sneed and Leah Carla Sneed.

Services from
Witcher Baptist Church

Mrs. Pauline K. Sneed

Mrs. Pauline Keeney Sneed, 71, of Charleston, formerly of Rubber, died March 25, 1992, at Marmont Health Care Center after a long illness.

She was a native of Wicher and a lifelong resident at Kansas City. She was a member of Diana Memorial Baptist Church and Ladies Fellowship Club. She was a former employee of Frankforters and Educational Division of West Virginia and Educational, Hackney and Lippman law firm.

Surviving son, the Rev. David Allen of High Point, Adrian Timber of Charleston, Judy Short of West Palm Beach, Fla., two grandchildren.

Services will be 1 p.m. Saturday at Witcher Baptist Church with the Rev. David Sneed officiating. Burial will be in Wicher Cemetery. Both friends may call from 11 to 9 p.m. today at Stevens-Craig Funeral Home, Maitland and from 12 noon to service time at the church.

Mrs. Sylvia Keeney

MRS. SYLVIA KEENEY was born Sylvia Keeney at South St., Box 146, Hertzville, died April 16, 1992, at Thomas Memorial Hospital, South Charleston, after a long illness.

She was a homemaker and a Baptist. She was a native of Hivesville, West Virginia. Surviving sons, Rufus at Assoc. Phys. of California, David in Nevada, daughter, Debra Keeney of California. There will be no services or visitation. The body was cremated. Louise Funeral Home, Cedar Grove, is in charge of arrangements.

Robert W. Hall

Robert W. Hall, 74, of 2210-B Dupont Ave. E., Belle, died Feb. 25, 1992, in General Hospital, CAMC, after a short illness.

He was a retired printer at Young's Development. He was a member and leader of Ritchie Baptist Church. He was an Air Corps veteran of World War I and a long-time resident of Belle. Surviving wife, Vera Keeney Hall, nee Don of St. Charles; Don of Charleston; brother, C.E. of Melbourne, Fla.; Sister, Evelyn Unsworth of Tallahassee. Services will be 1 p.m. Saturday at Wicher Baptist Church with the Rev. Charles Prange officiating. Burial will be in Wicher Cemetery. Friends may call after 7 p.m. today at Fuller-Prince Funeral Home, Belle, and one hour prior to service at the church.



City historian Brawley dies

By HAY MICHAEL
Daily Mail Staff

Harry Brawley — an educator, a broadcast pioneer, former city councilman and Charleston's best-known city historian — died at the age of 82.



Brawley died Wednesday at the Dunbar Health Care Center. His death came about three weeks after he suffered a stroke in his South Hills home. "It's a tremendous loss, not

only to his family but to the community," Brawley's friend and former colleague, Joe Farris, said Wednesday.

"But he left a legacy. He was a veritable bottomless pit of information about the history of Charleston."

And because of his background in radio and television, who but Harry Brawley would think to preserve that history on slides and videotape? His legacy is that collection at the library.

Brawley never tired of speaking to groups about the history of the valley. His "Old Charleston" slide presentation

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became a kind of trademark. Born in Charleston, he was struck by polio as a child. It was a time when polio victims — mostly children — rarely dreamed of walking again.

Brawley had no time for self-pity. He told friends he was lucky that his family had the means to get him the best medical care available, and the grit to insist that he keep moving.

It paid off. Until his later years, Brawley relied only on a cane for mobility.

He went on to receive bachelor's and master's degrees from West Virginia University, became a teacher and marry his college sweetheart, Betty Carson.

In the 1940s, he joined WCBS Radio as public affairs director. He took his love of teaching with him. And when the station's television station went on the air, Brawley's duties expanded.

It was Farris, a veteran of WCBS and current member of the state House of Delegates, who dubbed Brawley West Virginia's "dean of political analysts."

As election time rolled around, Brawley was chosen of political programming and debates. And he was generally on target when he predicted the outcome of a race.

Bos Johnson, retired WSAZ television news director, knew Brawley as a friend and a competitor.

"He has to be considered the father of educational broadcasting in this state," Johnson said. "He convinced a commercial station that it had to do education. Not just entertainment. But flat-out education..."

"He got a public broadcasting commission going, then structured the beginning of public television stations in the state. The first one was in Morgantown and the second was in Huntington/Charleston. That was the way he envisioned it."

Johnson said Brawley was enough of an educator to know that television had an obligation to teach, and enough of a politician

to know how to persuade the governor and Legislature to shell out money needed to get public stations on the air.

Brawley left WCBS to become the first executive director of the West Virginia Educational Broadcasting Authority in 1960. He left the authority in 1972, after laying the foundation for the state's network of public radio and television stations.

Once retired, he had time for public service. He ran and was elected to Charleston City Council.

He was a lifelong Democrat. But his friendships crossed party lines.

Former City Attorney John Charneck, a Republican, said Brawley set a standard for public service.

"If any councilman can equal his service, that will be in the best interests of the city," Charneck said late Wednesday, after learning that Brawley had died. "He was loyal and faithful, no matter who the mayor was — Democrat or Republican. He wanted what was in the best interests of the city."

"He was a leading vote getter and the partisan end of a dead-end fax line. He didn't care about a person's affiliation. He loved the city."

Brawley began to curb his activities a little when he suffered a stroke about seven years ago. He spent most of the past few years confined to a wheelchair. But his wife, Betty, saw to it that he kept his civic commitments.

Charles Byrd, who was a member of the Charleston Lion's Club with Brawley, said he was impressed by the snobtrious way Betty Brawley accompanied her husband to meetings, left quietly, then returned at the end of the luncheon sessions to take him home.

Bos Johnson said he, too, was touched by the Brawley partnership.

At the end of January, Johnson was honored by state broadcasters for his years of service.

"Betty wheeled him in," John-

sen recalled. "When I saw them there, I had tears in my eyes. That was the nicest tribute I got."

Brawley's list of accomplishments is long. And he relished each accolade.

He was pleased several years ago when city officials named a downtown walkway from Charleston Town Center to Capitol Street in his honor.

He has been recognized by the Lions Sight Foundation, and has resigned Distinguished West Virginia Awards from former Gov. Arch Moore, former Gov. Jay Rockefeller and the West Virginia Broadcasters Association.

A news film library at the West Virginia Cultural Center carries his name.

He was a part-time instructor at Morris Harvey College (now the University of Charleston) for 46 years, and taught a Sunday school class at the Village Chapel Presbyterian Church in Kanawha City.

Brawley was first president of the Community Council, president of the Kanawha County Teachers' Association, charter member of the April Club, first chairman of the West Virginia State Eye Bank, chairman of the Kanawha County Public Assistance Council, president of the Charleston Open Forum, district governor of the West Virginia Lions, and a driving force behind the Charleston-Kanawha Bicentennial celebration in 1988.

Until his most recent illness, he continued to write historical articles for Goldenland Magazine.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by his daughters, Sarah Stebbins of Alexandria, Va., Harriet Nottingham and Ann Reeves, of Charleston, a sister, Mrs. Virgil Fritzel of Charleston, one grandchild, and one great-grandchild.

Service will be 11 a.m. Saturday at Village Chapel Presbyterian Church with the Rev. W.F. Mansfield officiating. Burial will be in Spring Hill Cemetery.

Friends may call from 2 to 4 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. Friday at Barlow-Bossall Funeral Home. The family suggests donations to West Virginia Educational Broadcasting Authority, 600 Capitol St., Charleston, W.Va. 25301, or to Village Chapel Presbyterian Church.

Kathryn J. Heineking

SHELEY — Kathryn J. Heineking, 77, of 83 Raymond Avenue, died Saturday afternoon in Crestwood Care Center following a lengthy illness.

Born in Hollister, Ohio, Sept. 12, 1912, to George and Adda Zimmerman Price, she had been a Shelby resident since 1951.

Mrs. Heineking was a member of the First United Methodist Church of Shelby, where she was a Sunday school teacher and choir member. She was also a member of the Christian Business Women's Association, Shelby Business and Professional Women's Club, and the Ohio Genealogical Association.

She was a 1931 graduate of Mansfield High School and co-owner of Shelby Home Appliance for more than 25 years, retiring in 1976.

Survivors include a son, Bruce Heineking of Columbus; two daughters, Malinda Heineking of Arlington, Va., and Sharon Stridha of Miami Beach, Fla.; six grandchildren: five brothers, Robert Price of Sacramento, Calif., Russell Price of Sandusky, Lewis Price of Mansfield, George Price of Detroit, Mich., and Harper Price of Davenport, Iowa; and two sisters, Mae Wagner of Hesth, Ohio, and Mary Lettiza of Mansfield.

She was preceded in death by her husband Robert Heineking in 1987, a daughter, Janice Ladd; four brothers, John, Earl, Paul, and Carl Price; and one sister, Ruth Beechler.

Calling hours are from 3 to 5 and 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesday at the Barkfield Funeral Home. Services will be held at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday at First United Methodist Church by Dr. Carl G. Beighley. Burial will be in Oakland Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to the church in care of the funeral home.

HARRY BRANLEY was a great great grandson of Mosco and Frances Harris Keeney and great grandson of their daughter, Frances Keeney and William S. Brovley. His mother was Czarrie J. Harless, granddaughter of Foster A. Keeney, brother of Frances.

KATHERINE J. HEINEKING was a granddaughter of Stephen S. and Catherine Keeney (1934-1917) Price and a great granddaughter of John C. and Sarah F. Keeney. Her parents, George Harvey & Addie Zimmerman Price, died in 1945 and are buried in Mansfield, Ohio.

PAULINE KEENEY SNEED was the second daughter of Emory S. & Kenna Bonham Keeney and a granddaughter of Rev. Thomas V. Keeney.

SYLVIA HORNSBY KEENEY was the wife of Rufus D. Keeney, who died recently in California. (p.8v Keeney Relatives)

ANNA W. KEENEY JACOBS was the wife of Jerry Willford Keeney (1896-1950), of Cabin Creek, and the mother of Millicent Keeney Richards and Jack W. Keeney, both deceased (p.20, Keeney Relatives).

MARYLAND

COLONIAL FAMILIES OF THE UNITED STATES

Keeneey

HENRY STEINER, Captain (retired),
 b. in Frederick, Md., 23rd June, 1775;
 d. 18th May, 1811; organized "Steiner's
 Battery" of Artillery, which he commanded in
 the War of 1812; m. 20th May, 1806, Rachel Re-
 becca Mearns; d. 17th June, 1784; d. 27th June,
 1820; in Cincinnati, Ohio; dau. of John and Re-
 becca (COLEGATE) MURRAY of Maryland.

ISSUE: MLE & BY FREDERICK, MD.

1. Henrietta; d. 3d May, 1800; m. in Balti-
 more, Md., 20th December, 1834; Rev.

T. P. C. SHELDMAN; d. 12th February, 1811; d. 6th December, 1882; son
 of Michael and Sarah Maria (BOSTWICK) SHELDMAN.



ISSUE

1. Henry Steiner Shelman; b. 14th October, 1834.
2. Margaret Jane Shelman; b. 9th October, 1836; d. 27th December, 1884.
3. Michael Shelman; b. 1st October, 1838; d. 18th July, 1837.
4. Rachel Rebecca Shelman; b. 22d March, 1840; m. (firstly) 17th August, 1857; John M. MULLICK; d. 9th January, 1821; d. 16th January, 1805; m. (secondly) 7th July, 1829; Capt. William P. VAN DORN; b. 29th April, 1835; d. 14th June, 1894.

ISSUE BY 1ST W.

1. Henrietta Shelman Miller; b. 24th June, 1857; m. 28th June, 1885; Edward B. JONES; d. 13th January, 1857.
2. Betty Orr Miller; b. 6th March, 1859; d. 2d July, 1873.
3. Ada B. Miller; b. 26th March, 1861; m. 13th August, 1885; Jay J. KEENEY; d. 20th July, 1860.

ISSUE

1. Henrietta Victoria Keeneey; b. 22d June, 1884; m. 2d June, 1903; Earl DEWEZELER; d. 16th April, 1883.

ISSUE

1. Edward Richard Domesviller; b. 17th July, 1904.
2. Carrie Appie Keeneey; b. 10th February, 1885.
3. Durbin Metz Keeneey; b. 30th November, 1889.
4. Mary Keeneey; b. 27th July, 1892.
5. Margaret Keeneey; b. 6th April, 1894.

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MRS. EVA W. KEENEY STARK.

Born in Pennsylvania.

Wife of S. Judson Stark.

Descendant of Mark Keeneey, of Pennsylvania.

Daughter of Ephraim J. Keeneey and Elizabeth Nye, his wife.

Granddaughter of Seth H. Keeneey and Mary Wall, his wife.

Gr-granddaughter of Joshua Keeneey and Phoebe Surdant, his wife.

Gr-gr-granddaughter of Mark Keeneey and Abigail H. Keeneey, his wife.

Mark Keeneey, (1740-1804), who had served in the early wars, was a soldier in the Revolution. He was born at Litchfield, Conn., and died in Wyoming county, Pa.

KANSAS

FUN IN THE LEGISLATURE

From the Lawrence Daily Journal, March 2, 1881.

The young people of Topeka held a ball in the senate chamber on Friday evening, Feb. 25th. The ball was a nice affair, and a large number of the members of the legislature were present. At the time, on the other side of the building the house was in session. But here we will let (Noble L.) Prentiss, in the Atchison Champion, describe the last recorded freak of the house:

"While senators were attending this scene of 'revelry by night,' said their soft eyes were looking love to some extent to eyes which spoke again, as it were, the house was in session and considering sideways in cities of the first class, and kindred subjects and other momentous questions. In course of time the house discovered that this was growing monotonous, and that several of its members were absent, indulging in the light fantastic toe, instead of employing their brains in the service of the state. The sergeant-at-arms was directed to bring in the absentees, and soon, with a ferocious air, advanced to the bar with Mr. James F. J. Keeneey of Trego. The apparition of a gentleman in full evening dress, and with a bouquet in his button-hole, was as startling as if the Sultan of Turkey had advanced down the centre aisle to converse with Mr. [John] Schott. Mr. Keeneey was put through a great variety of 'motions.' He was referred to all the committees; he was made the special order; his enacting clause was stricken out; he was laid on the table, and he was, greatly to his relief, finally discharged. Thus the wise virgins of the house kept their lamps trimmed and burning while the foolish senate maidens gave themselves away."

connecticut

Thomas Keeneey, a native of Litchfield, Connecticut, who had first located at Wapaloopce, came to Wilnot homeseeking in 1786, and lived alone the first season in a brush cabin. The next year he brought his family, and in 1788 was arrested as one of the abductors of Timothy Tickering, taken to Wilkes-Barre and kept in confinement all summer. During his absence, a party of men tried to take his canoe and attempted to push it into the river, but Mrs. Keeneey hung to the chain with such determination, even after being dragged into the water that the men gave it up and left the brave woman in possession. His daughter, Mercy, in September, 1788, married Richard Keeneey, a distant relative, being Wilnot's first bride and groom. She, like her mother, was a woman of great resolution. On one occasion a party of men had driven a pantler up a tree at Buckley Forest, and Mercy, although but 16 years of age, volunteered to stand under the tree and keep the pantler up, while the men ran home to get their rifles with which the animal was killed. In 1812, Thomas Keeneey sold to John Gamble and removed to Chemung, N. Y.

Thomas Keeneey enlisted at East Hartford CT and served as a private in the Continental troops of the Revolutionary War. A part of the time he served under Captain Bissell and under Colonel Pipkin.

Thomas Keeneey made application for pension 11 Sep 1832 at which time he was eighty-one years old and resided in Bradneger County NY. His pension was allowed for three years actual service as a private. Doc: NSGAR File: 393102, 393103, 393104 and 39448.

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MRS. CORDIE PARSHALL PARK.

Born in Richburg, New York.

Wife of Irving K. Park.

Descendant of Thomas Keeneey and of Peabody Pratt.

Daughter of Luther Parshall and Emily Stanley, his wife.

Granddaughter of Ramsen Parshall and Phya Chapman, his wife;

Fredrick Stanley and Mary A. Pratt, his wife.

Gr-granddaughter of Asa Parshall and Susanna Keeneey, his wife;

Jedediah Pratt and Phoebe Barker, his wife.

Gr-gr-granddaughter of Thomas Keeneey and Mercy Lamb, his wife;

Phoebey Pratt and Sarah Buckingham, his wife.

Thomas Keeneey, (1745-1840), was placed on the pension roll of Connecticut Co., N. Y., 1833, for three years' actual service as private in the Connecticut militia. He was born in Hartford, Conn.; died in Toga, Pa., and is buried in Chemung, N. Y.

Phoebey Pratt, (1772-1822), enlisted as private, 1777, for three years, in Capt. Martin Kirtland's company, Col. William Douglas's regiment of Connecticut militia. He was born in Saybrook, Conn.; was, in Mt. Morris, N. Y.