

Expansion Of Douglas County Boy Scout Movement Begun At Meeting Held In Roseburg

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The first step in expanding the Boy Scout movement in Douglas county was taken on Wednesday night when a visiting instructional team from Eugene met at the Umpqua hotel with 18 local scout officials and citizens interested in the plan.

Preliminary steps were taken to contact possible sponsors of additional Boy Scout units in the county from a list compiled by Rollie Quam, Roseburg scout executive. Volunteer workers will meet with representatives of churches, P. T. A. groups, fraternal organizations and other institutions.

Alton F. Baker and Dr. Eldon Johnson, both of Eugene, explained some of the initial phases of acquiring additional sponsors. Baker is publisher of the Eugene Register-Guard and a member of the Boy Scout National council. Dr. Johnson is dean of the college of liberal arts at the University of Oregon and represents the organization and extension committee for the Boy Scouts Oregon Trail area.

Baker explained the lowered age limits recently passed by the national council which necessitates the creation of new scout units. Effective September 1, boys are eligible for Cub Scout membership at eight years of age, for Boy Scout membership at 11 years, and for membership in Explorer crews at 14. Baker said the oldest age group was formerly called Senior Scouts but that this unit was renamed. The new age ruling lowers requirements by one year in all units.

Drunken Driving Tops Traffic Violations' List

A total of 18,124 convictions for traffic violations, resulting in revocation or suspension of 1284 drivers' licenses, were reported to his office in the first six months of 1949, Secretary of State says.

Conviction of driving while intoxicated brought revocation of their driving permit to 907 of offenders under the mandatory penalty provided by law. Reckless driving, basic rule violations and other serious offenses resulted in 377 suspensions for varying periods. In the latter case, his office follows recommendations of the courts, Newbry explained.

The secretary said state and local police are cooperating in enforcing the penalties. In the six-month period, 273 offenders were arrested for driving while their license was suspended or revoked, adding an extra year to the time they must forego the driving privilege. Heavy fines are an additional deterrent.

"The record shows that at least one driver had definitely been drinking in nearly 15 percent of our fatal accidents," Newbry declared. "The cost in lives is too great to allow those who have demonstrated their inability or unwillingness to safeguard lives to endanger the safety of others."

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FIT FINE—Infielder Henry Thompson, left, and Outfielder Monte Irvin try out their new caps in the Polo Grounds clubhouse. Called up from the Jersey City Club, Thompson and Irvin are the first Negroes ever to wear the uniform of the New York Giants.

VITAL STATISTICS

Marriage Licenses
MILLS-BOBBITT—Verlin McKinley Mills and Darlene Laurie Bobbitt, both of Myrtle Creek.

CHILDRESS-BARTER—Kenneth Eugene Childress and Lucille June Barter, both of Roseburg.

MARKS-CAMPBELL—John Marks, Roseburg, and Violet Marie Campbell, Winchester Bay.

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Baker told his audience that the need for new units has doubled, due to the new age ruling combined with the population increase experienced in this area. He said approximately 3200 Douglas county boys will be ready for membership when the ruling goes into effect but that the number of scout units now in existence must be doubled in order to handle the increase.

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