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Can There Be Too Much Emphasis?

Several people, not exactly opposed to scouting, have remarked to the Pilot several times recently that too much emphasis is being placed, locally, upon that phase of training in this area. People who think so, the Pilot believes, do so without reckoning.

Unless one has been a Boy Scout (and this also goes as well for Girl Scouts and Campfire Girls) they have never really had a chance to "live." Scouting answer those questions of youth in a way not supplied in any other form of training. To appreciate this statement, it would do the skeptics a lot of good to watch boys learn life from nature—from things naturally.

Contained within the two covers of a Boy Scout handbook is a liberal education. Don't believe it? Well, here's how you can quickly satisfy yourself about many things:

Take any boy who has attained the rank of First Class Scout (that is comparable in scoutcraft to a grammar school education) and ask him what to do in case of sunstroke, snake bite, drowning, broken leg or arm, or any other thing involving first aid.

Try to lose one of those boys in the forests—Put him out there without matches, and food—and his resourcefulness will help him until he reaches civilization. He knows about what to do any time.

After a boy reaches first class, and has learned his lessons well, his advancement is just really beginning—because adventure comes in bunches after that. He explores nature in many ways in his merit badge advancement. There are over 100 of these merit badges to be won by the ambitious boy. In so doing he actually becomes a "man's man"—a citizen you may be proud of.

Schools can't offer such training—There isn't a district in the entire nation rich enough to buy one-tenth of the facilities offered out in nature—in those commonplace places most of us might not even bother to visit or look for. Scouting, it is the belief of the Pilot can't be overemphasized, in fact, there's isn't one-tenth, yes, an infinitesimal amount of emphasis placed that should be.

A boy has never lived who has never been a Boy Scout—this area has just actually begun to give scouting its just due.

County Ranks 12th In Oregon March Of Dimes Drive

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According to figures released by the National Foundation of Infantile Paralysis, Curry County ranked twelfth out of Oregon's thirty-six counties as a March of Dimes contributor. This ranking is based on net per capita contributions based on 1940 census population figures. Average contribution was 31 1/4 cents per person.

The State of Oregon as a whole is also a leading contributor to the March of Dimes, and ranks third in the nation on a per capita basis. The fact that Curry County is a leading contributor in a state which ranks as one of the very highest indicates the splendid manner County support the National Foundation of Infantile Paralysis. It is also proof that the people of Curry County do not take a back seat to anyone in providing the best care for their fellow citizens in the fight against infantile paralysis.

Community Chairman for the 1948 March of Dimes named by John C. Porisch, County Campaign Director, are as follows: Mrs. Sewell Newhouse—Benderburn—Gold Beach, Mrs.

B. B. Stratton—Port Orford—Langlois, Mrs. V. A. Mendenhall—Harbor—Brookings.

The March of Dimes campaign will be conducted as usual during the period of Jan. 15 to 30. Veteran's Auxiliary groups have already pledged their continued support. All organizations and individuals wishing to participate should contact their local community chairman, assistant or information can also be received from District Forest Ranger, John C. Porisch, county campaign director; or from the Curry County National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis Committee. Officers of the committee are George Christian, chairman; Mrs. Al Wallace, Secretary; Mrs. Cliff Parrot, Treasurer. Other members include Mrs. W. R. McBeth, Mrs. Archie Kerber and Mrs. Allen Stancel.

County campaign headquarters have been established at the U.S. Forest Service headquarters in Gold Beach.

Schools

The census just taken shows a slight increase over last year 347 for the current year—366 last year. I any new families living in our community who have children between the ages of 4 and 20 has been missed by the census taker, please notify Mrs. Beaulieu, Clerk or Mr. Hampton, Principal.

The open house held last week at the school house was a decided success, showing that the parents of the community are interested in the school. Approximately one hundred people attended.

Monday afternoon tryouts for yell leader queens were held at a Student body meeting. Larrie and Patricia were elected to be the queens.

Next Friday night the local "Bruins" begin the Basketball season with a series of games at the Curry County Jamboree to be held in Gold Beach Union High School Gymnasium. It is expected that all of the high schools in the county will send teams.

Coach Art Guthrie is feeling somewhat "down in the dumps" since during the past week so many of the team have been sick with colds and sore throats, and one member with a broken rib. In spite of this difficulty, it is expected that the "Bruins" will show a good account of themselves, and, we hope "bring back the bacon."

Starting line up will likely be: Tony Felipe
Bob Church
Gene Rausch
George Gardner
Carl Kinion
A center will be chosen from among:

Doyle Rausch
Carl Kinion
Don Merritt
George Gardner
All four of the center possibilities have been ill with either a sore throat or infection, so no doubt the one with the best recovery will hold center position. The jamboree at Gold Beach will be open to the public, so those in town who can get away will enjoy supporting the local Bruins team.

Cub Scout Doings

Pack Meeting, Monday, Basement of the Baptist Community Church. All Cubs are urged to be out at 7:30 p.m.

All boys between the ages of 9 and 12 and any about to become Cub Scouts age are invited to attend this pack meeting. Their parents are requested to come and register their boys.

Contest games and prizes will be given. The Pack has just secured a football, telegraph set, printing set, a wood burning set, and many other items of equipment.

G. Widney, Cubmaster

Gift Doll on Display at Moore's

Great interest among the older residents as well as among the younger ones, has been aroused by the beautiful doll, which is on display in the window at Moore's Variety Store, and which will remain there until after Thanksgiving. The doll which is dressed beautifully in a white satin formal, has her complete wardrobe on display with her in the window and is complete in every detail. This wardrobe is the product of the work of the members of the Harbor Community Club which is sponsoring this doll for the benefit of the Chetco Community Li-

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brary. Mrs. Mae Simpson, President of the Harbor club, has been in charge of preparing the wardrobe and of the display at Moore's and she was assisted by several members of the club, which sponsors the Library.

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