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Hail To Our Eagle Scout

Tonight, at the high school gym will see a function that has never before been seen in Curry county—that of an "Eagle Scout" court of honor. To Verne Mendenhall goes this distinction.

Perhaps few people know and realize the work which lies behind Verne, or what lies ahead for the boy scouts seeking this honor. It would be fun to look up this information and see for yourself what an eagle scout is expected to know.

Hurriedly, here are some of the requirements: 1. A boy must have been a first class scout for at least one year, and have earned 21 merit badges, 12 of which are required; 2. He must prove to the board of review and to the national scout organization that he has lived the life as set forth by the Boy Scout oath and law; 3. He must have enlisted and trained boys to the rank of first class—in other words he must have always been helpful to the boys younger than he.

What are merit badges? This writer doubts if he can picture it through words sufficiently to make everyone see the story. A merit badge, primarily, is an advancement. It is a course in itself. For instance, take first aid: the lad must demonstrate his ability to meet almost any emergency which requires first aid to save a life. That's a big order, but anyone can see in the daily papers almost any day of the year that some boy somewhere knew what to do.

The required merit badges to become an Eagle Scout include the following, together with any number of optional ones to a total of 21: First aid, swimming, life-saving, camping, pioneering, bird study, personal health, public health, athletics or physical development, pathfinding, safety and cooking.

The average boy scout who seeks eagle rank usually has more than the required 21. Here's the reason for that: A boy has his own hobbies, and things he knows lots about. Naturally he will earn merit badges in these first.

There are, in the group coming up tonight to be star scouts, a number who have enough merit badges to be life scouts, only fail to have the required amount of time served as a first class scout. Star requires five optional merit badges; life badge winners must have five required for eagle and any five optional ones.

The Pilot wishes to nominat Verne Mendenhall as the young han of the year in Brookings, and this might be extended to cover Curry county.

GIFT Suggestions

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Smith River News

At the regular meeting of the Lake Earl Grange, election of officers for the coming year was held and the following were elected: Master, William Buckner; Overseer, Bennie Ham; Lecturer, Helen Pennell; Steward, Grant Smith; Assistant Steward, Harry Jepsen; Chaplain Violet Hinkle; Treasurer, Gus Miller; Secretary, Ruth Wells; Gate Keeper, Louise Peterson; Ceres, Velma Miller; Pomona, Iabel Buckner; Flora, Marcella Miller; Lady Assistant Steward, Lucile Bettencourt; Executive Committeemen, Bill Robison and Darrow Nelson.

A wedding gift was purchased for Bernice White Lawson, a recent newly-wed. The Grange Christmas party will be held on December 18th, with exchange of gifts. A sympathy card was sent to the Frevert family. The bachelor members were hosts on the refreshment committee for this meeting.

A farewell party for Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Maas was held one recent evening at Community hall, sponsored by the Lake Earl Grangers living north of Smith River bridge. Games and cards were enjoyed for several hours. Delicious refreshments were served to the guests. The honored guests were presented with a lovely table lamp and shade as a farewell gift. Mr. and Mrs. Maas recently sold their dairy farm on Rowdy Creek to Denbar Lumber Co., have purchased a house and lot in Eureka, Calif., where they will make their future home.

Christmas will be observed at the Community Church, Sunday, December 21, as follows: Sunday school, 10 a.m., Mrs. Van Zee, superintendent; Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m., Sermon, Rev. E. C. Hicks, "The Spirit of Christmas", special Christmas music by the Young Peoples choir. Sunday evening at 7:30 the Christmas program by the Sunday School. All parents and friends are invited to attend the services.

The Young Peoples choir of the Community Church are busy practicing Christmas songs and carols to be sung Sunday, Dec. 21. On Tuesday evening a large crowd of the young folk under the direction of Una Rowley, were in attendance with their pianist, Miss Martha Vanderhorst. Following the song practise, the young people held their devotional meeting at church.

Every first and third Wednesday of month, Post 966, Veterans of Foreign Wars and Auxiliary

Every Tuesday noon, Rotary club, at Vincen's Restaurant. All visiting Rotarians are welcome.

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Mrs. Hattie Bales is critically ill at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Dorothy Maas and is assisted by her sister Miss Flossie Bales in caring for the mother. The two sons of Mrs. Bales, Leo and Wayne Bales of Lampasses, Texas, spent several days here visiting their mother and left Sunday for their home in Texas.

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