

Crippled Children To Have Camp

REEDSPORT — Oregon's first summer camp for crippled children — a project of the Easter Seal Society — is going into operation soon.

Howard Feast, executive director of the Oregon Society for Crippled Children and Adults, the Easter Seal Society, said the first youngsters will arrive some time in August.

The 80-acre camp is in Coos County, on the shore of North Lake of Ten Mile Lake. It is within a half-mile of the Douglas county line and ten miles south of Reedsport.

The property was purchased from Ray Nash and includes a large residence, a guest house, a double boathouse, a barn, and other outbuildings.

Workmen are now remodeling the residence and guest house and when completed, there will be facilities for between 20 and 25 youngsters and the staff of trained personnel, Feast said.

Beginning next summer, the camp will be open from July 1 to September 1, and crippled children from all parts of the state will be invited to spend from 10 days to two weeks for a minimum charge that will cover food and incidental expenses.

The Easter Seal Society will pick up the bill for staff and maintenance.

At the present time the camp is accessible only by boat from

Gorse Controlled By Tree Planting

SALEM—(Special) — Use of tree plantings as a method of controlling gorse in the coastal regions of southern Oregon is covered in Research Note No. 11, recently issued by the research section of the state forestry department.

The author, Dennis Lavender, reports that 1946 test plantings of Port Orford cedar have been able to compete in growth with the gorse and may eventually eliminate the shade intolerant plant. Maritime pine and lodgepole pine were also tried but did not possess ability to compete with the gorse. More than 80 per cent of the Port Orford cedar plantings survived the intense competition of the gorse and showed excellent growth.

Gorse, which closely resembles Scotch broom, has become a serious problem in the coastal counties and central valley regions of Oregon, taking other valuable farm and forest lands. The tenacious and spiny plant is high in oil content and constitutes a serious fire hazard. Foresters have laid partial blame for the 1936 Bandon fire disaster upon the inflammable qualities of gorse.

The plant was brought to Bandon more than 60 years ago from the British Isles for use as an ornamental shrub.

Copies of the research study may be obtained free of charge from the state forester, Salem, Oregon.

BLDG. HAS BEEN AROUND

Progress has boosted a little old former C & O mill building pretty much all over the map. It used to rest on what is now Railroad avenue. Then it was the "smoke chaser's" cabin, sitting on the old road, just about where the dePhillips have their motel. From there it was moved to the V.F.W. property, then boosted back toward town when the Episcopalians acquired it, and now it is canted on temporary blocks at the east end of Fir street. It may not be its ultimate fate.

Lakeside. However, by next summer a road now under construction will be completed.

Ed High, Roseburg insurance man, spearheaded the campaign to obtain the camp site and is chairman of a 5-county committee to raise funds. Ed White, Coos Bay insurance man, is in charge of the camp's development.

Labor unions, industry, civic groups and women's organizations throughout the area are assisting in development of the camp, Feast reported, adding that "without the cooperation of these groups we couldn't have proceeded."

Boating, barbecues, hikes, games and craft activities are included on the camp schedule. A protected swimming float is also planned with hand rails running out into the water.

The camp staff will include a director, occupational and physical therapists, one senior counselor, three junior counselors and a registered nurse. There will also be a cook and a caretaker.

Historical Group Holds Meeting

By MRS. BRUCE PURDY

Ed Detlefsen, Coquille, assumed his responsibility as the newly elected president of the Coos Curry Pioneer and Historical Association by presiding at the monthly luncheon meeting held in the Coquille Hotel Saturday, August 15. Other officers present who were elected at the annual meeting to a new place on the executive board were: Miss Marion Horsefall, Coos Bay, vice-president; Mrs. J. E. Norton, Coquille, corresponding secretary; Mrs. James Maple, Empire, membership secretary; and Mrs. Carl Anderson, Lee, director. Those who had been elected to new offices but were unable to be present were Directors Louis Knapp, Langlois and Mrs. Ray Zumwalt, Sixes. Others present were: J. E. Norton, Mrs. Ed Detlefsen, Mrs. Charles Stauff, Mrs. Mary Randleman, Mrs. Ralph Stevens, Miss Nellie Hayde, Mrs. Dorothy Getty, Mrs. Violet Dalsbaw and Mrs. Bruce Purdy.

President announced the following committees and stated that others will be appointed as need arises: Building — J. D. Carl, Bert Gould, J. E. Norton. Museum — Mrs. Mary Randleman and Mrs. Ralph Stevens. Scrap book — Mrs. Ed Detlefsen. Publicity — Mrs. Bruce Purdy.

The treasurer reported that from the annual meeting and of the day—that 85 membership dues had been received.

Among matters of business were the appointing of Henry Schroeder, Bert Gould and J. D. Carl to serve as directors; a lively discussion as to museum sites; and the appointing of President Detlefsen to attend the Conference of Oregon Historical Society to be held in Portland in October. The group also extended a rising vote of thanks to J. E. Norton because of his most outstanding service as president of the association.

The luncheon business meetings of the association are held regularly at the Coquille Hotel on the second Saturday of each month and all are welcome to attend.

The spinal column is a bunch of bones that run up and down your back keeping you from being legs all the way up to your neck.

Polio Funds Running Low

PORTLAND—(Special) — More than one-quarter of Oregon's 36 counties have run out of local March of Dimes funds with which to care for long-term patients stricken with polio in 1952.

Treasuries of 10 county National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis chapters in the state have been exhausted, according to the Foundation's Oregon representative, Gene Malecki of Portland. He said that a half-dozen other chapters "are almost down to their last dollar."

Malecki emphasized, however, that depletion of financial resources has not resulted in reduction of services being provided polio patients in any of the 16 counties. The 10 counties which have used up all their March of Dimes receipts have applied for or received advances from the epidemic aid fund of the parent organization in New York.

Technically, the polio season began June 1, but Malecki stressed that most of Oregon's cases generally occur in July, August, September and October. He said the cool weather of spring and early summer is likely to make it more certain than ever that the bulk of Oregon's cases this year will be concentrated into this later period, "posing a grave problem for those chapters whose funds already are at the vanishing point."

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