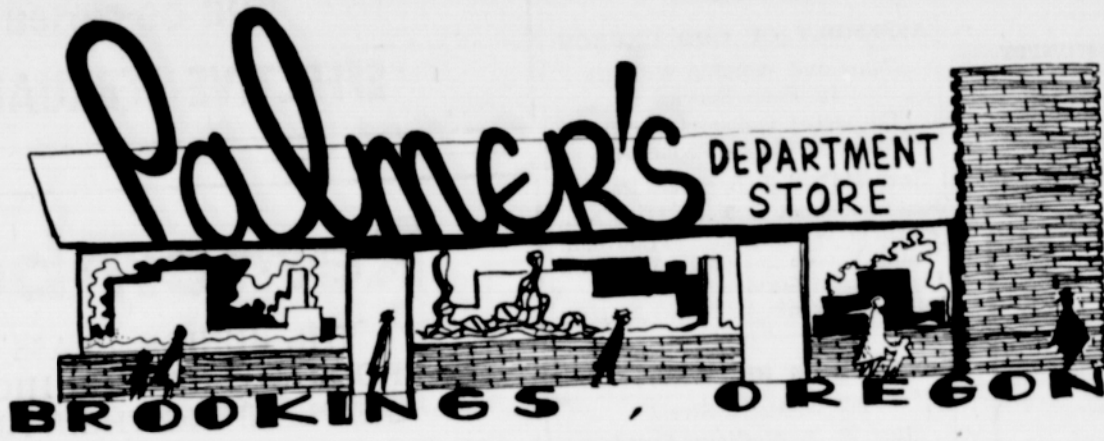


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Oregon Trail Council Boy Scouts Join In Anniversary Celebration this Week

Upwards of 10,000 Scouts throughout the six-county area covered by the Oregon Trail Council are making final preparations this week for the 47th anniversary of the founding of the Boy Scouts of America—in the form of Boy Scout Week, February 6-12.

Cubs, Scouts and Explorers in Benton, Coos, Curry, Douglas, Lane and Lincoln counties are busily planning unit and district activities to help celebrate their national birthday. The Boy Scouts were incorporated February 8, 1910, in Washington, D. C.

Under the theme "Onward for God and My Country," Scouts in the area will join in a re-dedication ceremony with their own units February 8, joining with 3,300,000 others over the country in acceptance of the organization's four-year training program.

Sunday, February 10, Scouts and adult leaders will attend religious services in uniform at churches of all denominations to mark Boy Scout Sunday. Many sermons will touch on aspects of the Week.

District and unit leaders will be engaged in some window display work with their groups throughout the Council, particularly in city areas. The Klahanie district in Eugene will spearhead this idea with displays all over town.

The Oregon Trail Council's 6161 Cubs will hold "Blue and Gold Banquets," which are potluck dinners with their parents. These 8-10 year-old members follow a home-centered program, with skits displays and service projects.

Individual advancement and achievements at Parent-and-Scout dinners will mark the week for 3024 Scouts in this Council area. Window displays and service projects will keep the 11-13 age group busy.

1158 Explorers in the six counties will observe the Week in varied ways. Good will appearances in communities, projects and displays, vocational tours and guest speeches will highlight the Week for the 14 and older class.

In most of the Council area, community groups, parents and institutions sponsoring Scout units will join in the Week's observance.

The Council numbers 132 Cub

Packs, 144 Scout Troops and 46 Explorer Units, with 3227 adult leaders included in the organization of the ten districts.

The Week will run February 6-12. It will be celebrated on a nation scale by 4,500,000 Scouts and 1,200,000 volunteer adult leaders.

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