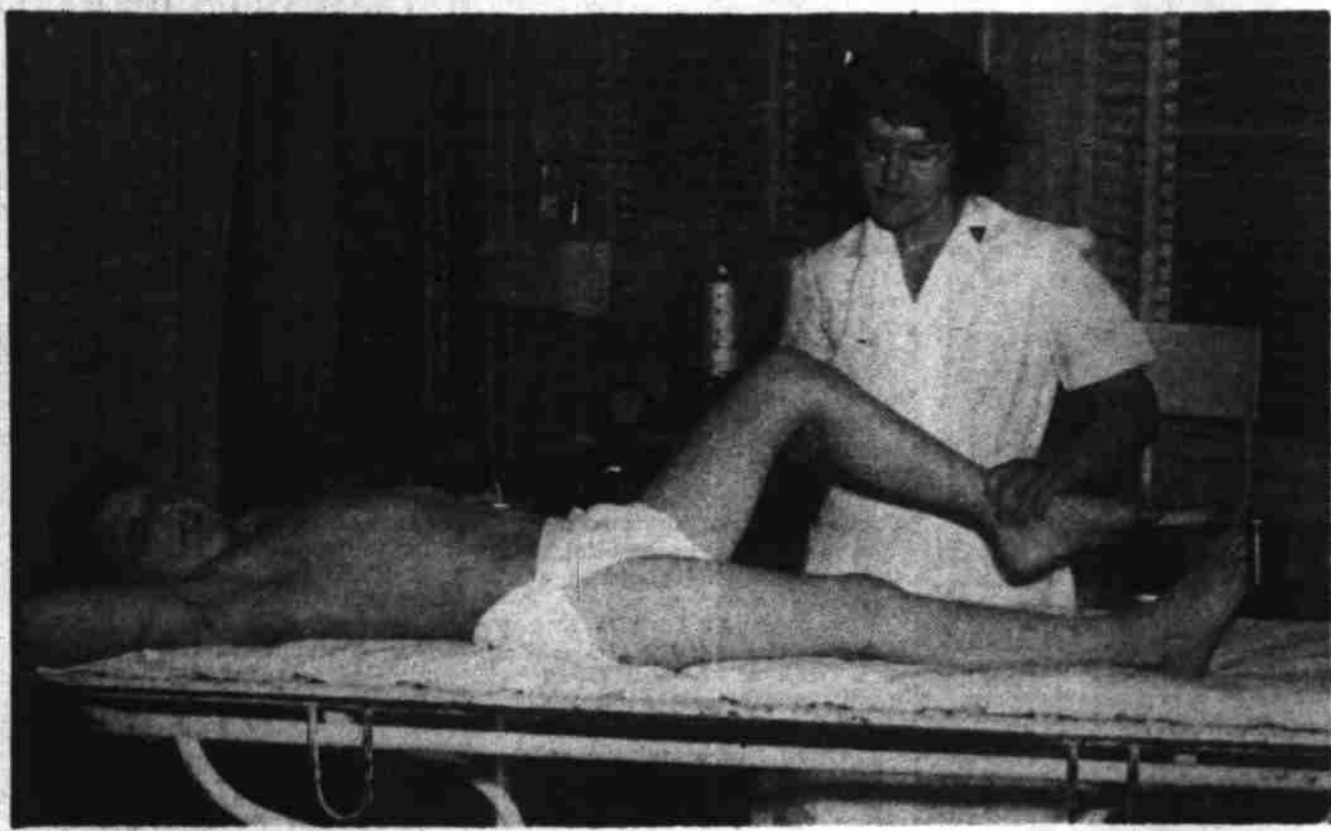


## Woodburn Boy Among Polio Victims



A successful 1950 March of Dimes drive would mean new hope for the future for polio victims like 11-year-old Robert Fletcher of Woodburn who is receiving physiotherapy from Buena Stewart at Salem Memorial hospital. He is one of Marion county's 30 polio victims of 1949. The drive officially opens Monday with a pre-campaign rally, first of its kind ever held here, scheduled at 11 o'clock Saturday morning on the Marion county courthouse lawn.

## Campaign Launched to Debunk 13 Superstitions About Polio

NEW YORK, Jan. 12 — The National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis will join forces tomorrow — Friday the 13th — with the "National Committee of 13 Against Superstition and Fear" in launching a nationwide education campaign to debunk the 13 most prevalent superstitions, myths and misconceptions about infantile paralysis.

"This Friday the 13th is a very appropriate day for the double-barreled offensive," said Nick Matsoukas, founder and executive of the National Committee of 13, "because it falls on the eve of the most critical March of Dimes campaign in the existence of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, January 16-31, as that organization starts its 13th year."

Matsoukas pointed out that the nation had suffered its worst polio epidemics during the past year and that "if the National Foundation is to continue its threefold attack on polio by providing patient care, and financing research and education, funds must be provided immediately."

Matsoukas and his committee urge every American to send 13 dimes to his local National Foundation chapter — one dime to debunk each of the following 13 polio superstitions:

1. That polio occurs only in summer.
2. That if you have had polio once you can't get it again.
3. That polio can't be so contagious, because many people come into contact with known cases without getting it.
4. That if either of your parents had polio before you were born, then you are immune.
5. That if you have had polio once you can't get it again.
6. That if you have had polio once you can't get it again.
7. That nobody has identified the germ of polio, because it hasn't been seen under the microscope.
8. That all victims of polio are left permanently crippled if they survive at all.
9. That polio did not appear until recent times.
10. That polio can be prevented by improving sanitation.
11. That polio is caused by eating or not eating some particular kind of food.
12. That polio is due to some kind of chemical poison, taken in food or water.
13. That only the poor can get financial help from the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis.

paralysis persisting. Discuss this question with your doctor.

9. That polio did not appear until recent times.

The disease was not distinguished from other causing paralysis until about 1835. From earlier records, however, it seems clear that it existed in ancient times. Sir Walter Scott, born in 1771, was lame from childhood. From the account in his biography of his early illness, it seems obviously to have been polio.

10. That polio can be prevented by improving sanitation.

This idea is based on the fact that the virus is excreted by infected persons and that it has been found in sewage, for example. Therefore infection from such sources is theoretically possible. Actually, however, there is no evidence that improved sanitation in any country has led to reduction in the incidence of polio. Epidemics are most frequent and severe in those countries where standards of sanitation are highest.

11. That polio is caused by eating or not eating some particular kind of food.

There is no evidence that the diet is of any importance in determining individual resistance or susceptibility. In animal experiments, diets deficient in vitamin B1 and/or calories have been correlated with some increased resistance to the experimental disease. However, the resistance noted is very slight and becomes evident only after the animal has become seriously ill from partaking of the abnormal diet.

12. That polio is due to some kind of chemical poison, taken in food or water.

There are very few poisons known that will produce symptoms characteristic of polio and a similar pattern of damage in the brain and spinal cord. Moreover, poliomyelitis can be transmitted by inoculation from an infected human to an animal, and thereafter to other animals in series by inoculation from one to the next. This means that the responsible agent multiplies in each infected individual. Chemical poisons do not behave in this manner.

13. That only the poor can get financial help from the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis.

False. Each case is decided upon individual medical and financial needs. Assistance is given regardless of age, race, creed or color. The help is a gift — not a loan. Families that can afford to are expected to share in the cost, but no one family is expected to impoverish itself to meet medical expenses for polio. More than 150,000 polio patients have been assisted in whole or in part by the National Foundation since its establishment in 1938.

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## Couples from Aumsville Visit In Seattle

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AUMSVILLE — Mr. and Mrs. Jack LaRont and Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Gunther spent the week end in Seattle visiting Mr. and Mrs. Don Gutzler and Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Johnson, former Aumsville residents.

Mrs. Guy Shields was hostess to the Aumsville Women's club at her home. Guests were Mrs. Elmer Klein, Mrs. Roy Hough, Mrs. Ed Holmquest, Miss Minnie Peterson of Aumsville and Mrs. James Miller of Salem. Mrs. John Smith was a guest and renewed her membership. Mrs. Mac Lamb of Salem will be hostess January 20. Illness detained Mrs. Ivan Pulliam, Mrs. Eland Speer, Mrs. Emma Towle, Mrs. Mac Lamb and Mrs. Mary Hein from attending this meeting.

Irvin Holmquist and Bonnie, Glenn Klein have returned to their college studies after spending the Christmas vacation at their homes. Harold Youngberg of Carlton was a New Years guest at the Elmer Klein home.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Wright returned home from a trip to California.

## Legion, Auxiliary Induct Members In Aumsville Meet

Statesman News Service  
AUMSVILLE — The Aumsville-Turner Legion met at the Turner fire hall, Wednesday, the auxiliary met at the Archie Rankin home. The auxiliary inducted Mrs.

Mary Ball, Mrs. Hugh Webb and Mrs. Archie Rankin as members, which filled the quota. Present also were Mesdames Bob Ball, Mrs. William Ball, and Hugh Webb, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Mickey, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Spohn, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Perlow Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Myron Nicholson, Mrs. Robert Valencourt, Mr. and Mrs. Warren Killinger and Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Roberts. The groups will meet at the Aumsville city hall February 1.

## Lincoln Area Residents Confined in Hospitals

Statesman News Service  
LINCOLN — Several residents of Lincoln, Zena and Spring Valley have been hospitalized recently. Mrs. Chris Yungen, Mrs. Tracy Walling and Jeannie Smith are still in hospitals. Mrs. J. P. Smart of Zena and Mrs. Frank Windsor of Spring Valley have returned home following operations. Mrs. Henry J. Neiger of Lincoln was taken to the hospital after breaking her hip in a fall a week ago. J. S. Mischel, owner and operator of the old Alderman Farm at Spring Valley was taken to the hospital for observation. Confined in bed with a heart ailment is Roy W. Hammer of Lincoln.

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## Night Classes Will Start At Silverton

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SILVERTON — The recreation association, headed by Harlan Moe, set January 17 as the open-

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ing date for the arts and crafts class to be conducted for those interested. John Medcalf, art instructor in the local high school, will teach. Block printing will be the first subject taken up. Complete plans were announced at the Tuesday night meeting of the Silverton Recreation association, sponsors. Moe has also announced that girls play night under sponsorship of the association, will be held each Wednesday night and boys basketball league will meet on Monday nights. Six teams will participate in the latter with games at 7, 8 and 9 o'clock. A class in construction of bird houses will also be sponsored with \$10 allotted for prizes in the wind-up showing of the houses.

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