

# Program of Camp Fire Girls for Next Year To Emphasize Future

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When school bells rang and classroom doors opened, Camp Fire Girls in Rogue valley and in more than 3,000 other communities across the country completed a fun-filled summer at camp to begin the year's Camp Fire program.

Keyed to the theme, "Together We Make Tomorrow," the program for the next 12 months will emphasize ways in which Camp Fire Girls can blueprint their futures by preparing for them today.

## Program Continuation

This is a continuation of the basic Camp Fire program as first developed in 1910, the year in which the organization was founded by Dr. and Mrs. Luther Halsey Gulick and other leading educators.

In keeping with year's theme, the spotlight will be focused on helping girls to chart their futures through learning to know

themselves, selecting their goals in life and working toward achieving them.

Camp Fire officials believe that if girls are to live up to the motto, "Give Service," they should learn to understand themselves and to work and play harmoniously with others. In the coming months, Camp Fire Girls not only will learn new crafts and skills but as their knowledge and self-growth increases, they will expand their service projects.

Wherever there is a job to be done, Camp Fire Girls in Medford will be ready and willing to lend a hand.

In carrying out the theme, "Together We Make Tomorrow," Camp Fire Girls will take a look at the past as well as the future. Blue Birds, seven-to-ten-year old members, will dress dolls in costumes of famous women in each generation including the present and send out hand-decorated invitations to a doll festival at which their creations will be displayed.

Camp Fire's youngest members

will also collect pictures of houses in different periods, furniture and cooking equipment. They hold "Home Beautiful" exhibits at which they will serve as hostesses.

## Make Sketches

Camp Fire Girls, 10 to 15-year old members, and Horizon club members, high school age members, will make sketches of historical costumes and coiffures

and show how yesterday's styles have influenced today's.

Girls interested in dress designing will create their own styles, make the garments and hold fashion show premieres to

exhibit their "originals." Also on the agenda is a "Camp Fire Parade of Costumes" in which girls will create and model the different Camp Fire costumes from 1910 to 1957.

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## A Nichol's Worth of . . . Comment On This and That

By HARMAN W. NICHOLS  
United Press Feature Writer

Washington — (U.P.) — Henry Armstrong, in his career, ran the gamut from tatters to silk tatters. Today, he is happily engaged in working for God.

The plucky little guy with the massive shoulders is the only boxer ever held three world titles at the same time.

Armstrong tells about his misery and triumphs in an autobiography he called "Gloves, Glory and God."

His mother was a full-blooded Iroquois Indian. His daddy was a mixture of Indian, Irish and Negro—a Mississippi sharecropper, "one of the millions once driven mercilessly by the cruel and jealous despot, King Cotton."

Learned to Fight  
The brown-skinned Henry was small. So it was natural that he hankered to survive in back alley brawls, he had to learn to take care of himself. Big boys pick on little boys, but he learned how to fight back. After his family moved to St. Louis he developed his wind and strength by running many, many blocks to school and back, and by fighting for life against kids much bigger than he.

He had a few amateur fights and finally, with his first handler, decided to hobo to the West Coast. There came a few club fights, but it was a long time before our Henry could afford to live on much more than peanuts. Then, all of a sudden he began to click.

First thing anybody knew, he was whirlwinding his way through one opponent after another.

Peteey Sarron, the National Boxing Association featherweight champ, was matched with him, for the title. It took several rounds with Armstrong winding up cleaning Peteey's plow good. Title one.

With a "crown" but very little money, he started to look around for other titles.

His next chance came in a title bout with tough Barney Ross, then holder of the welter crown. It was the first time a featherweight was allowed to challenge the welterweight champ.

Henry had been fighting at 126 Ross at 147. The law said Armstrong had to make 138 pounds at weight, which meant another 12 pounds. Eddie Mead, his manager, told him how. He made the boy drink gallons of beer to "build up the appetite."

Wins Third Title  
Well, Henry made the weight and took away the Ross crown.

He gave lightweight champion Lou Ambers, more near his size, the same treatment later for title number three.

Then came the limousines and the fancy duds he had dreamed of while in rags as a barefoot kid. Money rolled in, and by the time he retired he had a bundle of long green that went into six figures. All tied in paid-up annuities. Then a spell of living high on the pork, cars, yachts, booze. At length he was out of limousines and yachts and worse, down to his last car token. He decided to get off the trail that leads only down and "get in the corner of the Lord."

He went into the ministry. One of his main interests now is the operation of the Henry Armstrong Foundation, a non-profit venture calculated to help kids like himself. All races, creeds and colors, naturally. And who is vesp of the foundation? Barney Ross!

Mayfield, Parks On OASSP Agenda

Salem — Members of the Oregon Association of Secondary School Principals will hold their 28th fall conference here Oct. 8 and 9. Roland L. Parks, superintendent of Bandon schools and former principal at Ashland High school, will preside. He is president of the association.

Following the opening address by George L. Cleland, president of the National Association of Secondary School Principals, a panel will discuss personnel practices in school administration.

Leonard B. Mayfield, superintendent of Medford schools, will speak on obtaining, training and retraining a staff during the panel discussion. Others on the panel include Margaret Knispel, Hillsboro Union High school, and Chester R. Duncan, personnel and training director of Meier and Frank company.

Panel discussions also are scheduled for Monday afternoon and Tuesday morning.

Governor Elmo Smith and Donald A. Emerson, deputy superintendent of public instruction, will greet principals and welcome them to Salem. Entertainment has been planned including guided tours of the state institutions and Salem schools Monday afternoon.

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