

Local Hospital Encourages Mother to Stay With Children

By encouraging the mothers of its smallest patients to remain at their children's bedside, Rogue Valley Memorial hospital is keeping abreast of the latest concepts of pediatric hospital care.

A recent article in a national pictorial magazine stresses the need for emotional support in the pediatric ward, and states that a parent's presence can ease fears and speed recovery without upsetting hospital routine.

According to the article, the importance of such a system has long been recognized, but only a few hospitals have been able to put it into practice. San Francisco's Mt. Zion Hospital and Medical center is cited in the story as a leading exponent of the plan.

Eliminates Day Hours

In adopting this policy, Rogue Valley hospital has eliminated day visiting hours for patients entirely in the ward, and even provides cots and reclining chairs for parents who wish to remain overnight.

The all night visit, however, is limited to visitors calling on private-room patients, Charles Gustafson, hospital administrator, noted.

In some cases, dependent on the child's condition, the physician in charge of a case may restrict visiting privileges, he said, but otherwise the hospital not only welcomes the mother, but demonstrates its hospitality by serving her coffee from the cart service operated by the Rogue Valley Ladies auxiliary.



MOTHER SERVED COFFEE—Lilli Norton, 7, rests after a tonsillectomy performed earlier in the day, as her mother, Mrs. H. E. Norton, 3653 South Pacific highway, is served coffee by Rogue Valley auxiliary member, Mrs. Harold Looper. The service is one of many adopted recently at the hospital in the pediatric ward.

Winners of Pet Contest Announced

Central Point—Winners in eight divisions of a pet contest were named Friday morning at a program sponsored by school district 6C and Central Point at the Central Point Junior High school grounds.

The contest was part of the recreation program sponsored by the school district and the city for Central Point area children. Don Miller was in charge of the program.

Winners included a dog, Candy, owned by Larry Johnson, first in the mutt division; a skunk named Eliza, owned by Sharon White, unusual pet; a rabbit named Blackie owned by Georgia Brittan, blackest pet; a dog named Tinker Bill owned by Gary Green, shortest legged pet; a rabbit named Snowball owned by Vivian Brittan, whitest pet; a turtle named Skippy owned by Steven Pinkham, smallest pet; a kitten called Fluffy owned by Vickie Harper, pet with most unusual design; and a shepherd dog, Trina, owned by Richard Cote, largest pet.

Following the contest, pets were paraded down Fourth st. to Pine and west on Pine st. to the city hall, where it disbanded.

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Salem—UPI—Calvin V. Middleton, formerly Coos Bay high school librarian, has been appointed to the Oregon State library staff as first assistant in the children's and young people's services division.

Alleviating a child's fear is given special concern in surgical cases, and before the patient is taken into the operating room he is already sleepy from a sedative. Meanwhile, his parents are kept informed of the surgical progress, notified of its completion, and advised exactly when the child will be returned to his room.

Contributes to Morale

Also contributing to the morale of the pediatric division is the service, given by junior members of the hospital auxiliary. Called "Candy-Strippers" after their red and white striped uniforms, the young aides help feed the youngsters, read to them, join them in watching television, and in general add to the cheerful atmosphere of the youthful ward. Their activities are under the supervision of pediatric head nurse, Mrs. Mildred Luschen.

Not neglected in the busy routine of the hospital is a child's mealtime preferences. The hospital's chief dietitian, Mrs. Evelyn MacLeod, visits each patient personally to determine his favorites. Birthdays and holidays are also observed by the hospital kitchen and call for special tray favors, all of which helps the valley medical center to inject a homelike atmosphere into its children's ward.

A comment frequently made by mothers to Mrs. Luschen is, "I think it's wonderful that a large hospital can offer such personalized service."

DISCUSS APPETITE—Mrs. Evadyn MacLeod, chief dietitian at Rogue Valley hospital, discusses the whims of a child's appetite with Mrs. Larry Brown, 33 Willamette ave., as to her son's culinary desires.

5,691 Visit Museum During Month of June

Jacksonville — A total of 5,691 persons visited the Jacksonville Museum during June, Miss Mary Hanley, curator, has announced.

The total is 1,359 more than the number who visited the museum during June, 1958, she said, and it brought the total attendance since July 10, 1950, to 337,470.

Last month's attendance was the greatest for any June since the museum opened, she noted.

Visitors last month came from 38 states, Washington, D.C., Canada, England, Formosa, France, Japan and Pakistan. Eighth grade classes from Murphy and Ft. Vannoy brought the total of visiting school children, this spring to 2,804. Several other groups also visited the museum.

Gifts and loans last month were from Stanley Shafer, Mrs. Kathryn H. Heffernan, W. E. Thomas, Mrs. John Mansfield, Mrs. Glenn Jackson, Mrs. John Niedermeyer, Seth Bullis, Mrs. Henry Peabody, all of Medford; Donnie Fitch, Wilbur Badger, Ash-

land Fire Chief Charles W. Davis and the department, all of Ashland.

Lee Harter, Mrs. Marcel LePiniec, Tim J. Horn, Jacksonville; Mrs. Helene S. Donker, Verne H. Pendleton, Lyle Paull, representing Central Point, all of Central Point; Miss Helen Herbert, Mrs. Ernest E. Gregory, both of Gold Hill; C. C. Hoover, White City; Mrs. Elizabeth M. Smith, Salem; Mrs. Clarence Love, Keating, Ore., and Fred D. Farra, Oakland, Calif.

Band Camp Officials Announced at SOC

Ashland — Officials have been named for the annual Siskiyou Band Camp which will begin tomorrow morning at Southern Oregon college.

I. A. Mirick, Medford High school staff, will be instrumental supervisor; Raoul Maddox, Ashland High school supervisor of bands, marching band assistant; Pat Urie, SOC senior from Reedsport, girls' counselor; Donald Hughes, Sunnyside, Calif., recreation director; James Arment, Lakeview High school band instructor, boys' dormitory counselor; Dr. Herbert Cecil, camp secretary.

Also Glenn T. Matthews, camp coordinator, woodwind instructor; Clarence Sawhill, University of California at Los Angeles director of bands, band clinician and director; and George De Gregori, Castro Valley, Calif., public school band director, brass instructor.

Registrations may still be made Monday morning at the office of the college registrar, according to Matthews, who founded the camp.

Alabama Men Plead Guilty in Court

Three Alabama men pleaded guilty Thursday afternoon in Jackson county circuit to charges of burglary not in a dwelling. Sentencing was continued pending receipt of FBI reports.

The three who are charged with burglary of O.K. Rubber Welders, Highway 99, north of Ashland, Monday, are Lindell Worth Messer, 23, Oxford, Ala.; James Earl Quates, 23, and David Scott Quates, 26, both of Georgianna, Ala.

The three admitted in signed statements that they had taken tires, a speed wrench, fishing equipment and other items.

Local Company Gets Plaque for Service

Medford Motors last week was presented a plaque by the Mercury-Edsel-Lincoln division of the Ford Motor company in recognition of outstanding achievement in establishing and maintaining quality service.

The plaque was presented by H. Christopherson, Seattle, Wash., district service manager, and L. Lutherlin, Seattle, regional service manager of the Pacific coast. Accepting the plaque were Wendell Sessions, manager and owner of Medford Motors, and William Barnum, who has been service manager there 13 years.

The plaque, the first one presented in Oregon, is subject to recall by the company if standards are not maintained, according to company officials. It is presented on the basis of workmanship, customer relations, facilities, merchandising and appearance.

Rules Safeguard Small Timber Sales

Proposed regulations to carry out an additional safeguard to insure that small businesses will continue receiving a fair share of government timber sales have been announced by Acting Secretary of the Interior Elmer F. Bennett.

The proposed regulations would provide for set-aside sales for small business competition only, he said. The proposals covering timber sales from bureau of land management forest lands are the result of an understanding between the interior department and the Small Business administration.

Under terms of the understanding, the two agencies will work together in setting aside small timber sales. Complete text of the proposed regulations was published in the Federal Register July 10, Bennett said.

Comments or suggestions may be submitted to the director of the BLM, department of interior, Washington 25, D. C.

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