

Volume I

NEW YEAR'S EDITION

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NEW YEAR'S PARTY

Belknap Springs has been selected by the outing committee for the 1937 New Year's jamborce. Dancing, stunts, and the biggest and snappiest liar's contest will feature the evening's entertainment.

New Year's Day activities will include skiing at a location to be determined by snow conditions, also swimming at the Belkmap tank. The annual turkey dinner will be served at the hotel, which is so a heated, adding reatly to the comfort of all. The Management requests that there be no "hobbs".

Accommodations for eighty-five are assured. Obsidians and Ski Club members are to sign at Hendershott's Gun Store. Come prepared to enter all events and help

committee make this the best outing yet.

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NEW LODGE FOR 1937

The board members have approved the site at the base of Deer Butte for the new Obsidian Lodge. The rocky ledge, about three hundred yards above the Ski trail is an ideal location, having full benefit of the sun and a perfect view of the Sisters and surrounding country. The natural rock garden makes a beautiful front yard, with lovely evergreens in the background. All members are requested to view the site, for the opinions of all are welcomed by the committee.

Forest service officials assure the lease of property when plans of construction are submitted. Members are asked to submit any plans or suggestions directly to Bailey Castelloe, chairman on "Construction". Types of material, designs, etc. are to be submitted not later than

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New Year's Party continued

Cabins accommodating four (furnish own bedding)

per person....

Swim (suit & towel fur.)... .35
Swim (above not fur.).... .20

### "PICTURE AHEAD"

Many Obsidians who use cameras want to get pointers on composition and means of improving negatives. Ruth Hopson is in charge of plans being formulated to have critics meet with those who wish to get more pleasure from the many "snaps" possible.

(2) MEMBERSHIP IN OBSIDIANS & OBSIDIAN SKI CLUB

The Obsidian Ski Club membership is already approximately one hundred and the year's fun has just begun. About half the members are already Obsidians, but action at the last regular board meeting of the Obsidians, lnc., made provisions for qualifying Ski Club members to join the parent club by paying the init tion fee of \$3.00. Paul Laffercy is chairman of membership of the Ski Club.

> Obsidian annual dues....\$2.00 Obsidian dues, Ski Club....50 Non-Obsidian dues to Ski Club....2.00

Interest in winter sports and skiing are the requisites for membership in the Obsidian Ski Club. All indications point to a record year for membership and activities.

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Obsidian Personals

Obsidians are regretting the departure of Miss Mildred Hultgren. who has recently accepted a position in Bill McCracken's Portland office. Her cheery smile and sunny disposition will

not soon be replaced on our trips.

. and Mrs. Bill McCracken have just added another member to their firm, Thomas, born December eighth.

New Chiefs:

Ace Moore - Kingfisher Lloyd Sims - Tenis Wa Wa (little talk) Joe Heidenreich - Nut Cracker

New Princesses

Charlotte Lemon - Meadow Lark Doris Osburn - White Dove Mildred Hultgren - Fire Fly Vera Heidenreich - Wild Rose Margaret Sprague - Blue Gentian

## Forestry Officials Grant Approval of Lodge

Mr. Robert Parks and Mr. Roy Elliett of the U.S. Forestry Service, accompanied by four of the Obsidian Board members, spent the morning last Saturday, Dec. 19, viewing the proposed location for the new lodge at the base of Deer Butte.

mr. Parks and Mr. Elliott expressed their willingness to cooperate in every way possible and
were agreeable to arranging the reclassification of the land which
will permit the construction of
private buildings.

The Government maximum of land granted for such purposes is five acres. No price was quoted as yet for the lease of the land but both officials gave their word to "Go ahead with your plans".

Investigation of the spring back of the proposed sight indicated sufficient water supply at present but the Deer Butte spring may be easily tapped if necessary. A laboratory test of the water is to be done.

We recommend all suggestions on the lodge be written or illustrated when you submit them to Bailey Castello.

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Possibly two of the youngest skiers in the state met for the first time, Sunday, Dec. 13th, while skiing on the Sand hills. A very simple and proper meeting it was.

After two small forms successfully accomplished the descent of the Shi run with very pretty turns, this conversati followed: "Hello! What's you name?" "James Patrick Donahue. What's yours?" "Mine's James Hosmer." So met our own small Jimmie of Eugene and young Jimmie of Bend.

These two little fellows may be heard from in a big way some day, as Jimmie is the pride of the Obsidian Ski Club, and Jimmie Hosmer is junior slalom champion of Bend. They may some day be rivals on the skis, but always good sportsmen and friends.

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WINTER OUTING

Ski enthusiasts are eagerly awaiting the first annual winter camp to be held at the Noon Day Mine on Feb. 17 through Feb. 22. 1937.

The mine is situated in the Bohemia district southeast of Cottage Grove and is about one thousand feet higher than the Mc-Kenzie pass. Abundant snows which anexcelled for good skiing are a certainty.

The Outing is open to Obsidians only. Twenty one have signed for the full time and more are going for the week end. More particulars in the next issue.

This is the first time an extended outing outing has been planby the members in winter and it promises to be no sissy affair.

OBSIDIAN SKI CLUB (5)LEADS OUT IN WINTER SPORTS

A Ski equipment style show and unusually good moving pictures of the local snow mobile. plus the 1935 Northwest Ski Tournament at Mt. Hood, were the features of the Obsidian Ski Club's annual meeting at Villard Hall, Dec. 8th.

Harry Wright has been getting prospective skiers limbered up in trim with calisthentics. The first instruction class met Dec. 15, and the movie reel, on Ski Technique, belonging to the club. is expected to be shown at a later date.

Statistics show that most ski accidents occur the first of the season. "Safety first before Stunting on Skis." Let's have a good year's record for avoidable accidents. Therefore, learn your technique and develop your ski legs.

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Over 125 enthusiastic skiers, Obsidian Club members and others including a few Skyliners from Bend, skimmed the slopes of the Sand Hills of the McKenzie last Sunday, Dec. 20, under cloudy skies. Feature of the day's fun was a Class B standard slalom course. After the better skiers had tired of this variety of the sport the course was moved down



the hill and the beginners tried their luck. It was four before anyone started for home. Snow was of the corned variety; visibility of the Sisters low.

Sunday Dec. 14, found over 100 shiers on the Sand Hills. The weather was unusually good, the view of the Sisters superb. Carl Young, fire building expert, contributed a minor conflagration. Snow was good being a little wet and well

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packed. Virgil Hicks, Chairman of the Ski Committee, was the official leader and gave instruction to beginners, a regular feature of these trips.

Sunday, Dec. 7, saw the pioneer ski trip of the season when some 20 Obsidian Ski Club members rallied to the word, "Thar's snow in them thar hills" and spent the day on the Sand Hills.

A canteen of water is as greatly appreciated on Ski trips as en hot summer trips.

If you like vegetables raw, put some in your next Ski lunch. Wash and peel carrots, they will stay crisp, also celery.

Marge says that vaseline applied to the hands keep them from gotting cold.

OBSIDIAN Ads Pay:

Local Walks Schedule

Dec. 27 - Ski trip arranged by the Ski Club. Watch daily papers for location.

Dec. 31 - New Year's Eve &

Jan. 1 - Party and Ski Tournament

n. 10 - Ski Club Trip

Jan. 17 - Ski trip to Proxy Creek Falls. This should be a beautiful trip.

Jan. 24 - Cross Country Ski trip to Baemer's Ranch on the willamette Highway.

Jan. 24 - Special Ski Train Arrangements by Ski Club.

Jan. 31 - Ski Club trip.

A very small percentage of members avail themselves of the many fine trips planned for their benefits. To those faithful few, who somehow manage to show up on most trips, the interest of the club depends. Of course, many find it impossible to go, but to those who possibly can, we urge

1 to cooperate with the leaders to make these trips successful.

We understand that the Princesses are to put on a Chief's initiation at the New Years Party.

Lodge story continued

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Dorr Hamlin, chairman on financing the lodge, has suggested various ways of raising funds necessary. Among them, life membership fees, dances, skating parties, etc., Obsidians are requested to enter into all plans for the financing, as the interest of every member is needed to build this permanent and substantial lodge, which will be a joy to us all in future years.

A special meeting for all members will be called when final plans are ready.

#### A REAL SKI TRAIL

The old McKenzie Highway has been cleared of brush and other obstructions from the Deer Butte trail down about a mile and one-half. The Obsidian Ski trail signs are placed at all curves, the ride down should pay for all the back aches from brush cutting.

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# OBSIDIAN BOARD and COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

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"Hints and Helps"

Contributions to this column gladly accepted. Call Library Committee Chairman.

Many "homemade" Parkas are making their appearance on the Ski field. Any light material such as cheap shirting or ginghams can be used. Patterns may be purchased. made up, or best of all borrower Zippers for the front can be but at the five and ten and with a few hours work an inexpensive Parka can be turned out. Later proofing matérial can be purchased at local stores and it is very simple to apply. Use a small brush and simply paint on the water proofing to the finished Parka. There's nothing like it to keep out the winds, rain and snow.

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