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AT CHAMPION MINE

"The time of our lives!" exclaimed Dr. C. D. Donahue, who returned Tuesday from the winter outing at the Champion mine, in the Bohemia district. The snow-lovers are in a position really to indulge their passion for snow-in 15 to 20 feet!

The skiing is plus ultra, the mine buildings are snug and warm, the food good - what more could you ask. Giant icicles and snow drifts, long, steep hills, enchanting, "different" scenery and perfect isolation in the heart of these wild mountains makes the site ideal.

Winter Cutting, the first ever held by the Obsidians, started Saturday, the 13th; they will return the 21st. All reports show great enthusiasm, and this trip will undoubtedly be a high point of the winter schedule hereafter.

#### OPEN THE MCKENZIE !!!

With this one thought in mind, a committee authorized by the Obsidian Board and composed of J. D. Hamlin, Ace Moore, Toney Vogel, Bryan Ryan, and Dr. C. D. Donahue started action by securing Mayor Elisha Large to head a city-wide move to effect the opening. Every service club, every outdoor group, every civic organization in Eugene is lining up behind the move. All are enthusiastic, and with the entire city back of the opening, we are sure it can be had.

The Bend Skyliners have promised aid from their side of the mountains. Obsidian members can help by thinking, talking and writing about an open highway to the greatest winter sports area in the state, with miles of open country at the base of three 10,000 foot peaks. Where else can this be had?

With the leadership of the Mayor and the help of the rest of the city, the Obsidians have started a move that will go far and mean much.

Tenth Annual Summer Camp

Aug. 1 - 15

This year the Obsidians will be near Eugene in the Three Sisters area, making it available to Eugene-ians not formally active in Outdoor recreation, and it is planned to be the biggest camp ever. "There's Broken Top, the Husband, the Sphinx and then The Wife".

Start arranging your vacations now. Invite your friends who have never attended a camp and let them find out how a two weeks "Roughing it", can "set you up" for all winter.

Definite plans as outlined by the Outing committee will be announced in later editions.

Bohemia Trip - By "Ace" Moore

A group of Obsidians, aided by four University students, made a special trip to the Bohemia country, scene of the winter outing, to transfer the food stored at the Noon Day mine to the Champion mine.

Saturday morning, Feb. 13th., the party consisting of G. Sims, B. McCracken leaders, R. Lemon, P. Lafferty, V. Hicks, M. Thompson, J. Hemmingway, E. Thurston, S. Mockford, W. Wood and A. Moore, left Eugene at 4 A.M. The party skied eight miles and reached the Champion mine at 2 P.M., where they rested briefly. Traveling as nearly straight up as possible for three miles and winding around and through the Champion saddle, thence over Grouse mountain, they reached their goal to find the original winter camp bunk house completely snowed in and presenting a hazardous task of entering the building because of broken rafters.

Packs filled, the return trip was anticipated but not welcomed. Skiing through thick timber and over a crusted snow, with heavy packs was more work than fun to the tired fellows. Continued on last page.

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NEW 1937 Lodge

Splendid plans are being completed for the construction of the cabin which is expected to go forward in the early summer. A special meeting of the entire club will be called before construction starts.

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The Federation of Western Outdoor Clubs annual meeting will be in S. F., Labor day. Any member of our club is entitled to go, so make your plans now.

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Princesses Meeting  
By Margaret Thompson  
Olga Mortensen entertained the Princesses Tues. March 9. "Once a Princess, always a Princess", was the clubs' decision,

that members who leave Eugene, or become inactive in the Obsidians for some reason will be carried on the roster of the Princesses permanently. They will be known as associate members unless they decide to again become active in the Obsidians. If you have not attended for a long time, just remember that we want you to come as often as you can.

Bessie Day invited us for a meeting soon at her cabin up the McKenzie. Thelma Watson is having the April meeting at her home, 1312 Mill St.

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" Chemeketan Banquet " -By C. Lemon

Several Obsidians were guests at the Ninth Annual Chemeketan Banquet Feb. 6th. in Salem, and returned with enthusiastic reports of the entertainment and friendliness of the entire group.

Our Obsidian Bob Wilson was general chairman of the affair. A snappy novel program with dancing followed the excellent dinner. It is hoped that next fall the Obsidians can do as well at their annual meeting. We can have a banquet, our picture contest, music and movies of summer camp, as part of the entertainment, adding zest to the traditional business meeting.



## EDITORIAL

### INCORPORATION OF OBSIDIDIAN SKI CLUB

The Obsidian Ski Club will soon become the Obsidian Ski Club, Inc. when present plans of the Ski Club Board materialize. After conferring with attorneys, it was thought best to take this step in order to more clearly define the exact status of the club, make it a more permanent, organization, and other advantages.

A committee is working with Jame K. King attorney, drafting the constitution and by-laws. Other ski clubs in the state have been contacted to get types of organization,

The Board of Obsidians, Inc. has agreed to grant the use of the name "Obsidian" to the Ski Club in their incorporated form when the constitution and by-laws are ready, maintaining substantially the same relationship between the clubs as exists at present.

This marks the culmination of growth in form of organization of the Ski Club from the ski committee of Obsidians, Inc. to a distinct entity with membership composed largely of Obsidians, but governed separately by members of the group.

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| Spec. Events  | Norwald Nelson   |

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 "Watch the bulletin board"  
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 IN THE SPRING A YOUNG MAN'S \*  
 \* FANCY turns to-FISHING AND  
 HIKING! Fishing opens April \*  
 \* 15th. Hendershott's says,  
 when opening day comes, the \*  
 \* early bird won't need worms!  
 So be early. Bring your rod \*  
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"SNOW TRAIN SPECIALS"  
 BY Marjorie Thayer  
 "At 7:10 A.M. the "Snow  
 Special" rolled toward Cres-  
 cent Lake, with 622 passengers.

Entertainment consisted  
 of walking the length of the  
 15 coaches and chattering with  
 friends, singing and listening  
 to the "Swing Band", under the  
 direction of Carl Roosen, with  
 Bob Gresham, Bod Kieth and Bud  
 Lebo.

Skiing around the lake was  
 perfect, the snow packing with  
 little effort, making a grand  
 track. "NO hills" at Crescent  
 Lake is very loudly poo-pooed  
 by those who took more than one  
 head-on dive from going down  
 the track that Tony Vogel  
 started.

Snow fell the entire day,  
 but did not seem to affect the pleasure of the skiers. Several  
 industrious people cleared snow off the ice on the lake and  
 enjoyed skating.

Crescent Lake is ideal for a snow train outing because it  
 has every type of skiing terrain, and many thanks go to Norwald  
 Nelson and others for making this a very successful trip.  
 March 7th-'37

"The Obsidian Ski Club's second "Snow Train" of the season  
 chugged and chuffed out of Eugene, loaded to the roofs with eager  
 winter sports enthusiasts who longed for the great open  
 spaces and glistening snow atop Oregon's Cascade mountains".

Expert and ambitious skiers took a three and one half mile  
 cross country trip to Red Top and had grand views of Odell  
 Crescent Lakes, the Three Sisters, Thielson and other peaks.

Tom Kaarhus led group singing thru the cars, assisted by  
 Joe Gerot and Percy Brown. The Swing Band under Carl Roosen  
 made music for all to hear.

Ray Sims took moving pictures, and guarantees some  
 good pictures for next fall's meeting.

