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BOVARD DINNER AND CAMPFIRE

AT KORNS'; ENJOYABLE

REUNION OF CLUB FOUNDERS

"OUR DREAMS ROSE IN THE SMOKE OF
OUR CAMPFIRE IN THE WILDERNESS,
"AND OUR FRIENDSHIP GLOWS WITH THE
EMBERS OF THE FIR FIRE,
"AND THE GREAT STRUGGLE TOWARD THE
MOUNTAIN TOP;
"AND WE SHARED PEACE AND GOOD FOOD
AND PLEASANT REST OF OUR NIGHT
CAMP."

DON BLANDING
TO DR. JOHN BOVARD, FIRST PRES-
IDENT OF THE OBSIDIANS."

THIS INSCRIPTION, ENGRAVED ON
THE BOOKENDS PRESENTED TO DR. JOHN
BOVARD, SET THE KEYNOTE FOR AN EVE-
NING OF GREAT PLEASURE AND REAL OBS-
IDIAN GOOD-FELLOWSHIP, WHEN OBSID-
IANS GATHERED TO HONOR DR. BOVARD,
WEDNESDAY EVENING, MAY 19.

DR. BOVARD IS LEAVING SOON TO
BE WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFOR-
NIA AT LOS ANGELES. HE AND MRS.
BOVARD ARE AMONG THE FOUNDERS OF
OUR CLUB.

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MIDDLE CLIMBED IN WINTER?

By PAUL LAFFERTY

WAS IT FEASIBLE TO TRY TO CLIMB
THE MIDDLE SISTER ON SKIS? ONLY
ONE WAY TO FIND OUT, SO MY BROTHER
AND I BUCKLED ON OUR SKIS

WITH CLIMBERS ON THE SKIS, WE
EXPERIENCED NO DIFFICULTY IN GET-
TING UP. IN FACT WE FELT THAT WE
WERE MAKING BETTER PROGRESS THAN
WE WOULD HAVE MADE ON THE BARE
GROUND UNDER SUMMER CONDITIONS.
NEAR THE SUMMIT, WHERE THE SNOW HAS
PRETTY WELL BLOWN OFF THE BARE
ROCKS, WE LEFT THE SLIP STICKS AND
FINISHED ON FOOT. WE HAD QUITE A
TIME FINDING THE BOX IN THE SNOW,
THOUGH, AT THE TOP. IT WAS SWELL
UP THERE--GRAND VIEW.

COMING DOWN WE MADE IT IN FIF-
TEEN MINUTES! YEP, THAT'S RIGHT.
AT FIRST WE THOUGHT WE MIGHT SHOOT
OFF SOME CLIFF EDGE COMING DOWN,
THE SNOW WAS SO FAST GOING UP.
BUT BY GOING-DOWN TIME IT WAS MID-
DAY, AND THE SUN HAD SOFTENED UP
THE SNOW JUST ENOUGH AND NOT TOO
MUCH.

IT WAS A WONDERFUL EXPERIENCE.
I HOPE ALL OF US CAN HAVE THE SAME
THRILL IN THE FUTURE. PERHAPS WIN-
TER CLIMBING IS NOT IMPOSSIBLE,
AFTER ALL.

ALL PLANS FOR OBSIDIAN LODGE REJECTED BY MEMBERSHIP

SPECIAL MEETING HELD

FORTY SIX OBSIDIANS ATTENDED
THE DINNER AND SPECIAL MEETING JUNE
SEVENTH, AT THE RIVER ROAD WOMEN'S
CLUB HOUSE. OBSIDIAN SONGS WERE
LED BY LOUIS WALDORF DURING THE
DINNER.

PAUL LAFFERTY GAVE A REPORT OF
HIS RECENT UNUSUAL ASCENT OF THE
MIDDLE SISTER ON SKIS.

MINUTES OF THE LAST ANNUAL
MEETING WERE READ AND APPROVED.
AFTER EACH OF THE PRESENT BOARD MEM-
BERS WERE INTRODUCED A FEW GENERAL
ANNOUNCEMENTS WERE MADE BY THE LEAD-
ERS OF THE NEXT MONTHS TRIPS.

ROBERTY LEMON, PRESIDENT OF THE
OBSIDIAN CLUB BOARD ANNOUNCED THAT
SINCE LAST FALL THE BOARD HAD BEEN
FORMULATING PLANS FOR THE CONSTRU-
CTION OF THE MUCH DESIRED OBSIDIAN
LODGE, AND THAT THE PURPOSE OF THIS
SPECIAL MEETING, WHICH HAD BEEN
CALLED BY THE BOARD FOR ALL MEM-
BERS, WAS TO VOTE THEIR APPROVAL
OF THE SITE, THE GENERAL PLANS, AND
THE AUTHORIZATION OF BONDS TO BE
ISSUED OVER A GIVEN LENGTH OF TIME.
THE LEASE TO THE PROPERTY FROM THE
FOREST SERVICE FOR FIVE ACRES WAS
READY TO BE SIGNED AND ANYONE MIS-
TAKING THE LODGE FOR A CABIN SHOULD
BE FINED FIVE CENTS. MONITORS WERE
THEN APPOINTED AT EACH TABLE AND
THE FUN STARTED. AS FOR THE FIVE
CENTS COLLECTED TO GO TOWARD THE
BUILDING OF THIS LODGE, SEVERAL
SPEAKERS HAD A LAPSE OF MEMORY OR
SLIP OF THE TONGUE WHICH BROUGHT
THE TOTAL FUND UP TO SEVENTY CENTS
FOR THE EVENING.

THE DISCUSSION FROM THE FLOOR
BEGAN WITH THE SUBJECT OF THE PRO-
POSED LOCATION AND WE MAY SAY THIS
ENDED SOMETIME LATER.

PAUL LAFFERTY WAS WHOLEHEART-
EDLY ENTHUSIASTIC OVER A LOCATION
ON OR CLOSE TO SIMS BUTTE, FOR THE
REASON THAT IT WOULD BE UP FAR
ENOUGH FOR SKIING WHERE THE BEST
SNOW CONDITIONS ARE, AND IN THE
FUTURE WOULD RIVAL ANYTHING TO BE
FOUND NEAR RAINIER OR MT. HOOD.
HE ALSO POINTED OUT THAT THIS
WOULD BE CLOSER TO THE THREE SIS-
TERS AREA FOR SUMMER CLIMBS. HE
ALSO POINTED OUT THAT TWO OF THE
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LODGE STORY CONTINUED
THREE SISTERS WERE VISIBLE FROM THIS POINT. IT IS APPROXIMATELY ONE HALF MILE FROM FROG CAMP BY TRAIL NOW.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY PAUL LAFFERTY THAT SINCE THE OBSTACLE FOR SUCH A LOCATION WAS THE CLOSING OF THE MCKENZIE HIGHWAY, THAT THEREFORE A SPECIAL COMMITTEE BE APPOINTED BY THE PRESIDENT TO MAKE FURTHER APPEAL TO THE STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION, IN ORDER TO HAVE SOME DEFINITE ASSURANCE AS TO WHAT COULD BE EXPECTED.

NUMEROUS OPINIONS WERE THEN EXPRESSED BY VARIOUS MEMBERS CONCERNING JUST HOW FAR THEY THOUGHT WE COULD REASONABLY EXPECT THE COMMISSION TO GO ON SUCH A PROPOSITION. THE SANTIAM PASS AND THE WILLAMETTE HIGHWAY PASS WERE BROUGHT INTO THE DISCUSSION FOR YEAR AROUND USE AND THE POSSIBLE LODGE LOCATIONS IN THESE AREAS.

DORR HAMLIN, WHO HAD BEEN OUR OBSIDIAN CLUB REPRESENTATIVE TO MEET THE STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION IN PORTLAND THIS WINTER, GAVE THE REPORT THAT THE MEMBERS WERE FAVORABLE TO DOING WHAT THEY COULD TOWARD KEEPING THE ROAD OPEN TO FROG CAMP FOR RECREATIONAL AREAS ONLY, BUT AS TO AN ALL YEAR 'ROUND THROUGH ROAD IT WAS OUT OF THE QUESTION. THEY HAD ALSO ASSURED MR. HAMLIN AND THE COMMITTEE THAT WHEN THE SANTIAM PASS WAS CLEARED THIS SPRING THEY WOULD SEND SOME REPRESENTATIVE OVER TO SEE WHAT COULD BE DONE TO THE MCKENZIE. THEY COULD NOT ASSURE OUR REPRESENTATIVES THAT THE ROAD WOULD EVEN BE OILED ON THE EUGENE SIDE OF THE PASS THIS YEAR. ANYONE WHO DROVE OVER THE PASS LAST SUMMER COULD NOT HELP BUT BE APPALLED THAT OUR STATES' MOST ADVERTISED SCENIC HIGHWAY WAS IN SUCH A DEPLORABLE CONDITION. WASHBOARD ROAD BED, AND BLINDING CLOUDS OF DUST TENDS TO ROUTE THE OUT OF STATE VISITORS AND OUR OWN PEOPLE OVER OTHER ROADS.

IT SEEMS APPARENT THAT IT WILL BE AT LEAST THREE OR FOUR YEARS YET BEFORE THE WILLAMETTE AND SANTIAM PASSES WILL BE ALL YEAR ROUND ROADS AND PERHAPS THEN SOMETHING COULD BE DONE ABOUT THE MCKENZIE.

ALL OF THESE REASONS PERTAINING TO THE CONDITIONS OF THE MCKENZIE AND THE ATTITUDE OF THE STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION WERE INSTRUMENTAL IN DEFEATING PAUL LAFFERTY'S MOTION TO ATTEMPT TO SECURE A DEFINITE STATEMENT FROM THE COMMISSION AS TO WHAT WE COULD EXPECT IN EVENT OF THE CONSTRUCTION OF A LODGE AT THE HIGH AREAS.

IN MARKED CONTRAST TO PAUL'S PROPOSAL FOR A LODGE SITE IN HIGH COUNTRY CAME THE SUGGESTION FROM HENRY KORN, THAT IT WOULD BE BEST TO LOCATE THE LODGE WITHIN A SHORT DISTANCE FROM EUGENE UP THE MCKENZIE CLOSE TO THE RIVER WHERE MEMBERS COULD GO WITH THEIR FAMILIES AND HAVE FREQUENT PICNICS AND WEEK END PARTIES, MAKING GENERAL SOCIAL AFFAIRS MORE POPULAR. HELEN KILPATRICK, PAUL WISER AND DORR HAMLIN WERE OF THE SAME OPINION.

ED. JOHNSON FELT FROM THE UNCERTAINTY OF DEVELOPMENT OF TRANSMOUNTAIN ROADS, PLUS THE QUESTION OF WHAT REALLY IS DESIRED IN A LODGE, THAT IT WOULD BE BEST TO DELAY FOR A TIME.

LOUIS WALDORF MADE THE SUGGESTION THAT WE MIGHT DO AS THE WYEAST CLUB DID AND PUT SEVERAL INEXPENSIVE SO CALLED MOUNTAIN HUTS IN DIFFERENT MOUNTAIN AREAS, RATHER THAN SPEND ALL OUR MONEY ON ONE EXTENSIVE LODGE.

MARIAN HAYES FELT IT ECONOMICALLY UNSOUND TO INVEST IN A LOCATION WHICH WE MIGHT NOT BE ABLE TO USE IN WINTER AND UNFAIR TO EXPECT THE HIGHWAY COMMISSION TO KEEP THE ROAD OPEN JUST FOR THIS VICINITY.

THE LOCATION SHOWN IN THE ILLUSTRATION HAD BEEN CHOSEN BY THE BOARD AS AN IDEAL COMPROMISE BETWEEN THOSE DESIRING A HIGH COUNTRY, IDEAL SKIING "AMONG THE PEAKS" SITE, AND THOSE WISHING A LOWER, EASILY REACHED, RIVER FRONTAGE "WEEK-END FOR FAMILIES" LOCATION. THE PROPOSED SITE, SEVENTY MILES FROM EUGENE, IS 2.55 MILES FROM THE TOP OF DEADHORSE GRADE AND 3.4 MILES FROM FROG CAMP. THIS, THE BOARD FELT, WAS SUFFICIENTLY TO SATISFY THE "HIGH COUNTRY" ADDICTS, FOR THOSE WHO WANTED A LOCATION FOR THE FAMILY TYPE OF OUTING OR FOR A LAZY SUNDAY, THE SITE WAS ADVOCATED AS BEING ONLY SEVENTY MILE DRIVE FROM EUGENE, ON AN EXPOSED SOUTHERN SLOPE ALLOWING PLENTY OF SUN, AND WITH A VIEW EQUAL TO ANY ON THE MCKENZIE HIGHWAY. HERE, JUST OFF THE EXTENSIVE SUMMIT AREA, HENSE SHELTERED FROM THE WORST STORMS, LOOKING DOWN THE VALLEY WITH THE CLIFFS OF DEER BUTTE SILHOUETTED AGAINST GOLDEN SUNSETS, AND LOOKING EAST AND SOUTH TO THE THREE SISTERS GLISTENING IN THE CHANGING LIGHT, THE BOARD FELT THEY HAD THE IDEAL SPOT. BUT THE BOARD WAS WRONG.

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SIMS BUTTE TRIP TAKES PLACE OF DEER BUTTE WORK TRIP

JUNE 27TH - - - HOW ABOUT THIS SIMS BUTTE PROPOSITION? LET'S GO UP THERE AND SEE WHAT'S PROSPECTS FOR A LODGE SITE AND LOOK THE COUNTRY OVER IN GENERAL. NOT A HARD TRIP, BUT A HIGHLY INTERESTING ONE TO A DIFFERENT SORT OF SCENERY.

THREE SISTERS OFFICIALLY MADE PRIMITIVE AREA BY FOREST SERVICE

NEWS HAS JUST BEEN RECEIVED THAT THE THREE SISTERS AREA, THE "HOME GROUNDS" OF THE OBSIDIANS, HAS BEEN MADE A PRIMITIVE AREA. THIS MEANS THAT IT WILL FOREVER BE AN AREA OF WOODS AND TRAILS AND NATURAL TOPOGRAPHY. ROADS WILL NOT BE PERMITTED. THUS THE HIKING AND CLIMBING OF THE OBSIDIANS AND OTHERS IN THIS AREA IS FOREVER GUARANTEED TO BE FREE FROM THE ROAR OF AUTOMOBILES AND THE SIGNS OF HOT DOG STANDS. ANOTHER EVIDENCE OF THE PHRASE, "OUR FRIENDS, THE FOREST SERVICE".

READ THE ADS - THEY'RE NEWS

BRING A GUEST ON THE NEXT TRIP!

HAVE YOU PAID YOUR DUES?

READ "HAROLD'S HOOEY" **YOU MAY BE MENTIONED!

SKI-LAUFRERS BOARD OF DIRECTORS LAUNCH EXTENSIVE PROGRAM

AT THE FIRST MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE NEWLY NAMED "EUGENE SKI-LAUFRERS", EXTENSIVE PLANS FOR A HEAVY WINTER SCHEDULE WERE MADE. THE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION UNDER THE NEW NAME WERE ACCEPTED BY THE BOARD AND HAVE BEEN FILED AT SALEM.

COMMITTEES NAMED WERE:

TRIPS-RAY SIMS, PAUL LAFFERTY, TONY VOGEL, BRYAN RYAN, CHARLOTTE LEMON.
SPECIAL EVENTS-NORWALD NELSON, MARJ. THAYER, STUART MOCKFORD, MARJ. ZANE, HAROLD TROTTER.
ENTERTAINMENT-REVA MOORE, DORIS OSBURN, HARRIET PLOTTS, DEB. FAUST, MRS. HARRY TITUS, TOM KAARHUS.
PUBLICITY-SID KING, HARRY WRIGHT.
WINTER OUTING-HARRY WRIGHT, CLIFF STALSBERG, ED THURSTON, PAUL LAFFERTY, JAMES KING.
MEMBERSHIP-JAMES KING, HARRY TITUS, ARTHUR HENDERSHOTT, CLARENCE LOMBARD.
SNOWMOBILE-JAMES KING, HARRY WRIGHT, WITH BILL PARKE AS ADVISOR.

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BOVARD DINNER CONT'D

MORE THAN 50 PEOPLE, INCLUDING MANY OF THE "FOUNDERS", WERE AT THE POTLUCK DINNER AND CAMPFIRE ON THE GROUNDS OF MR. AND MRS. HENRY RYAN'S HOME ON VICTORIA HEIGHTS, RELIVE WITH DR. AND MRS. BOVARD THE EARLY DAYS OF THE OBSIDIANS. AFTER DINNER THE CAMPFIRE PROGRAM WAS CARRIED ON AS IS DONE AT SUMMER CAMP OR "ON THE TRAIL" AT A NIGHT CAMP. RAY SIMS READ A "CAMP NEWSPAPER" GIVING A HISTORY OF THE CLUB, AND MANY OTHERS GAVE TALKS. THE BOOKENDS GIVEN DR. BOVARD WERE CARVED FROM OREGON WOODS BY ART CLOUGH. ONE SHOWS A CLIMBER ON THE MOUNTAIN; THE OTHER DEPICTS HIM AT THE TOP.

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JEFFERSON BIG ATTRACTION FOR INDEPENDENCE DAY; PARK BEAUTIFUL

BY PAUL LAFFERTY

JULY 4-5, MOUNT JEFFERSON----
A PARADISE OF ALPINE FLOWERS. A LEISURELY CLIMB OVER AN ABSORBING PROBLEM OF SNOW, ICE, AND ROCK. THAT'S THE MT. JEFFERSON TRIP. ANYBODY CAN GO, AND WE'LL HAVE LOTS OF TIME AND TAKE THE ASCENT EASY. I HOPE MORE OF THE MEMBERS WHO HAVE NEVER MADE THE CLIMB BEFORE WILL TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THIS EXTRA FAVORABLE OPPORTUNITY TO LEARN ABOUT ROCK AND ROPE WORK. SO OFTEN JEFFERSON CLIMBS ARE MADE UP OF "EXPERTS" WHO HAVE BEEN THERE BEFORE. MANY WILL WISH TO GO JUST TO VISIT OUR FORMER CAMPSITE AT THE PARK, AND TAKE LITTLE EXCURSIONS AROUND THE MOUNTAIN INSTEAD OF CLIMBING IT. IT IS ONE OF THE YEAR'S BEST TRIPS.

HURRAY FOR A TRIP INTO
EASTERN OREGON; LET'S
ALL GO!

BY DORR HAMLIN

JULY 4-5, NEWBERRY CRATER----
A "NIGHTMARE WORLD" OF FASCINATING GEOLOGICAL FORMATIONS AWAITS US OVER THERE NEAR BEND. EXPERTS CONSIDER IT EVEN MORE INTERESTING THAN CRATER LAKE. THERE ARE TWO LAKES INSIDE THE CRATER, WHICH IS THE REMAINS OF A MOUNTAIN 19,000 OR 20,000 FEET HIGH. THERE'S ALSO AN UNDERGROUND RIVER OF LAVA, WITH A TRAIL THROUGH IT AND ELECTRIC LIGHTS. WE'LL HAVE PLENTY OF TIME TO RAMBLE AROUND AND SEE EVERYTHING, AND IT WILL NOT BE A HARD, EXHAUSTING TRIP. JUST A CHANCE FOR A DAY OF INTEREST AND FUN.

THEY SAY THE TWO LAKES ARE JUST FULL OF FISH. AND FROM THE HIGH POINT OF THE CRATER WALL YOU CAN SEE MOUNT SHASTA AND MOUNT RAINIER BOTH ON A CLEAR DAY, AS WELL AS MANY OTHER PEAKS. AND THERE'S A GOOD ROAD ALL THE WAY.

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GOLD POINT OLD STAMPING
GROUNDS OF 49'ERS;
PICTURESQUE

BY LOUIS WALDORF

JUNE 13, GOLD POINT--THE PIONEERS DUG FOR GOLD UP IN THE GOLD POINT COUNTRY. THEY SAY THERE'S LOTS OF IT LEFT UP THERE IF YOU KNOW WHERE TO LOOK. BUT WE'LL BE LOOKING FOR SWELL SCENERY AND GOOD CLIMBING, AND WE WON'T HAVE TO HUNT FOR THAT! ALL THAT UPPER FALL CREEK COUNTRY IS ROUGH AND HEAVILY WOODED,--BIG TIMBER, AND OUTCROPPING OF OLD ROCK FORMATIONS, CLIFFS, WATERFALLS, ETC. IT'S NEVER BEEN CIVILIZED AND NEVER WILL BE.

GOLD POINT IS AN IMPORTANT LOOKOUT STATION, SO THE GOVERNMENT HAS BUILT A VERY GOOD TRAIL, WHICH WE WILL USE. GRAND VIEW AT THE TOP. WE GO DOWN A LOT FASTER THAN WE CAME UP, BY A DIFFERENT TRAIL. THE AUTOMOBILE TRIP UP THERE IS EXTRA SCENIC, TOO, ON A GOOD ROAD.

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HAROLD'S HOOEY

BY HAROLD TROTTER

IT'S TIME TO CLIMB THEM THAR HILLS, WHAR THE SKEETERS ARE AS BIG AS HUMMIN' BIRDS, AND THEIR BILLS ARE TWICE AS LONG.

WE HEERED AS HOW ED TURNBULL AND HENRY KORN ONCE CAUGHT A COUPLE OF SKEETERS AT SCOTT LAKE AN' TIED THEIR PACK SACKS ON THEIR BACKS. IT DIDN'T WORK OUT, THO. THE SKEETERS WERN'T QUITE STRONG ENUF TO GIT OFF THE GROUND.

RECKON THEM WERN'T REAL GROWNED UP SKEETERS, JUST YEARLIN'S.

CLIMB OREGON MOUNTAINS, WHERE 10,000 FEET UP IS PRACTICALLY ON THE LEVEL.

I UN'ERSTAN' PRINCESS BLUE WATER HAS A BAD CASE OF SPARKLING POISON OAK ON HER LEFT HAND.

BEST WISHES, PRINCESS BLUE WATER, FROM OBSIDIANS, INC.

I SEED CHIEF WORM BUYING THE REST OF HIS TACKLE FROM A LOCAL SPORTIN' GOODS STORE.

MARGARET SPRAGUE THINKS TIPSOO BUTTE IS PRACTICALLY ON THE LEVEL--ONLY 5 MILES UP.

ART HENDERSHOTT (CHIEF MUDHEN) MADE THE TIPSOO CLIMB TO KEEP FROM GETTIN' INHIBITED INTO THE ARM CHAIR DIVISION OF THE CHIEFS.

RECKON TIPSOO MOUNTAIN IS NOT A SUITABUL PLACE FOR MUDHENS.

IF YOUR THERMOS BOTTLE WON'T STAY WARM, DO AS BOB GRAY DOES--- HE WRAPS HIS IN A FUR COAT.

IT HAS BEEN REPORTED THAT YOUNG "CHIEF WET BLANKET" McCracken NOW CAN SIT ALONE.

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CASTLE ROCK CLIMB

ON MAY 16, A GROUP OF 38 OBSIDIANS AND GUESTS TURNED OUT FOR A VERY ENJOYABLE HIKE TO THE LOOKOUT STATION ON THE TOP MOST POINT OF CASTLE ROCK. THE TRAIL WAS ESPECIALLY GOOD AND ALTHOUGH THERE WERE A FEW RAIN SQUALLS, THE SUN SHONE MOST OF THE TIME. SEVERAL TOOK ADVANTAGE OF THE INTERESTING ROCK FORMATIONS FOR SNAP SHOTS. BAILEY PRESIDED OVER THE COFFEE POT AS USUAL, AND THE COFFEE WAS GREATLY ENJOYED BY THE GROUP. THE MANY NEW OUTDOOR ENTHUSIASTS SHOW THAT HIKING HOLDS MUCH INTEREST EVEN THOUGH SKIING HAS CONSUMED SO MANY TRIPS. LEADERS WERE MINNIE MCCracken AND REVA MOORE.

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LET'S ALL SIGN UP FOR SUMMER CAMP

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NEW BOARD MEMBER SELECTED

PAUL LAFFERTY IS THE NEW MEMBER BY THE BOARD TO COMPLETE THE UNEXPIRED TERM OF OFFICE FORMERLY HELD BY VIRGIL HICKS. HE IS CHAIRMAN OF SKIING ACTIVITIES FOR THE OBSIDIANS.

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MARY'S PEAK FAMOUS
LANDMARK; ALWAYS
A GOOD CLIMB

BY FLORENCE OGDEN

JUNE 19-20, MARY'S PEAK--WE FOUND A NEW ROAD WHEN WE SCOUTED THIS TRIP--AND A NEW CAMPSITE. FROM THE NEWPORT HIGHWAY TO THE CAMPSITE IT IS ONLY FIVE MILES, AND A VERY GOOD ROAD, TOO. THE CAMPSITE IS IN THE WOODS, ON A LITTLE CREEK. WE'LL MEET THE REST OF THE PARTY THERE. LOUIS WALDORF WILL LEAD THE SINGING AND CAMP STUNTS FOR THE OBSIDIANS. THE CHEMEKETANS, MAZAMAS, AND TRAILS CLUB WILL MEET US THERE.

THE 4,097 FOOT PEAK IS A SHARP CLIMB BUT NOT TOO STRENUOUS, AND IT QUALIFIES. THERE MAY BE A LITTLE SNOW NEAR THE SUMMIT. LOWER DOWN, WE HUNT WILD STRAWBERRIES, BUT WE DON'T PROMISE THEM.

MARY'S PEAK IS ALWAYS AN INTERESTING TRIP. YOU REALLY CAN'T SAY YOU UNDERSTAND THE TOPOGRAPHY OF THE WILLAMETTE VALLEY UNLESS YOU'VE BEEN THERE. IT HAS IMPORTANT CONNOTATIONS WITH THE INDIANS AND PIONEERS IN EARLY OREGON DEVELOPMENT, TOO.

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PRINCESS MEETING

THE MAY MEETING OF THE PRINCESS CLUB WAS HELD ON MAY 18TH AT THE HOME OF ELIZABETH GULLION. THE COMMITTEE AND MEMBERS OF THE CLUB MADE PLANS FOR THE DINNER TO BE HELD IN HONOR OF DEAN BOVARD, OUR FIRST OBSIDIAN PRESIDENT. PLANS WERE ALSO MADE FOR THE DINNER PARTY FOR THE CHIEFS AND FRIENDS. THE DINNER IS TO BE HELD AT MRS. J. D. HAMLIN'S HOME. TEN MEMBERS WERE PRESENT.

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VIRGIL HICKS LEFT THIS SPRING FOR SAN FRANCISCO. HE PROMISED TO COME BACK FOR THE NEW YEAR'S PARTY.

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CRATER LAKE IN SHOWY MANTLE
VISITED BY OBSIDIAN
SKI PARTY

BY IRWIN WILLIAMS

LED BY GLENN SIMS AND BAILEY CASTELLOE, A PARTY OF OBSIDIAN SKI ENTHUSIASTS TOOK ADVANTAGE OF THE DOUBLE HOLIDAY MEMORIAL DAY TO SKI AT CRATER LAKE.

TWO WELL LOADED CARS SET OUT SATURDAY AFTERNOON FOR THE THREE DAY SIX HUNDRED MILE JUNKET. THE NIGHT WAS SPENT IN THE CABINS AT PROSPECT CAMP MIDWAY BETWEEN MEDFORD AND THE LAKE. EVERYBODY ROLLED OUT EARLY THE NEXT MORNING FOR THE DRIVE TO THE LAKE TO OBSERVE SOME SIX FEET OF SNOW ON THE LEVEL AT CRATER LAKE LODGE, AND ENJOY GOOD SKIING ON THE SLOPES OF ADJACENT MT. GARFIELD. AFTER LUNCH BY THE BUILDINGS, NONE OF WHICH WERE OPEN, MORE SKIING IN THE AFTERNOON.

THE RETURN TRIP BEGAN MONDAY MORNING AND WAS MADE VIA FORT KLA-MATH AND THE DALLS-CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY TO BEND, THENCE TO SISTERS AND HOME VIA THE SANTIAN PASS.

STOPS WERE MADE TO VISIT THE ICE CAVES BELOW BEND AND ALSO AT CLEAR LAKE AND FISH LAKE. A SWIM AT BELKNAP HOT SPRINGS TOPPED OFF A FINE TRIP.

BESIDES LEADERS, GLENN SIMS AND BAILEY CASTELLOE, THE FOLLOWING MADE THE TRIP: FLORENCE OGDEN, MANDY HICKS, RUTH CARLSON, DOROTHY ELSENSCHN, BRYAN RYAN, TONY VOGEL, LOYD SIMS AND STUART MOCKFORD.

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HIGH SCHOOL SKIERS PLAN TEAM

A GROUP OF EUGENE HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS HAVE ASKED ACE MOORE AND BRYAN RYAN TO ASSIST THEM IN ORGANIZING A SKI TEAM THIS COMING SEASON.

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OBSIDIAN BOARD MEETING

THE MONTHLY BOARD MEETING WAS HELD MAY 13TH, AT DORR HAMLIN OFFICE. ALL MEMBERS WERE PRESENT AS USUAL.

THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING WERE APPROVED. FOLLOWING THE TREASURER'S REPORT THE REGULAR STANDING COMMITTEES OUTLINED THEIR WORK.

GLEN CIMS REPORTED THAT MRS. LAKE CORNUTT, "OUR GENEVIEVE" WAS TO AGAIN COOK OUR HOT CAKES AT SUMMER CAMP.

A SPECIAL MEETING WAS AUTHORIZED BY THE BOARD FOR JUNE 7 TO TAKE FINAL ACTION UPON THE PLANS FOR A LODGE.

BY VOTE OF THE BOARD THE PAYMENT OF YOUR CURRENT YEARS DUES OF \$2.00 DURING THE MONTH OF JUNE ONLY, ALL INACTIVE DELINQUENT MEMBERS WOULD BE REINSTATED TO FULL MEMBERSHIP.

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