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# Obsidians To Have New Year's Party

## Lt. Gerald Johnson Tells Of Alaska

Nov. 4. Showing movies he had taken in Alaska, Lt. Johnson told of his experiences with the army air corps based on the Alaskan Peninsula. Due to Gerald there are two less Jap Zeros flying today.

Following this, colored movies were shown by Sterling Behnke; and Glenn Sims showed colored movies of the 1942 Summer Camp.

A most interesting evening closed with a Dutch treat in the Del Rey private dining room.

## Princess Meeting

A Princess meeting was held at the home of Adeline Adams the evening of December 17, with Nellie Moore as assistant hostess.

Names were drawn for a White Elephant gift exchange at the annual Christmas meeting and party this year to be at Margaret Norton's, 2320 Charnelton, December 14.

A special feature of the evening was Adeline's still pictures taken on her Alaska trip in 1941 and other interesting places.

Present were Helen K., Myrtie H., Olga M., Helen S., Florence S., Thelma W., and Bertha D.

## Chester Pietka Visits

Those attending the dancing group on November 5 were both "surprised and pleased" to have Chester come in for a short visit.

## Obsidians: Notice! !

We are having a shadow sale and potluck dinner Thursday evening December 10 at 7:00 at the Y.M.C.A. on the campus. Our ladies cast quite a variety of shadows, so you men take your choice and place your own valuation, but remember, no eats unless there is a shadow in your pocket.

Mr. Elliott of the Forest Service will entertain us with pictures, and dancing will finish the evening.—Doran McKee.

## Mazama Annual Banquet

Dorr Hamlin, Roxie and Louis Waldorf attended the annual Mazama banquet in Portland on Saturday evening, Dec. 5, at the Neighbors of Woodcraft building.

Alfred F. Parker, a past-president, was toastmaster and Frank Branch Riley the principal speaker. Everett Philpoe showed color slides and films of Monument Park in Arizona. About 300 were present, including H. F. Errens, president of the Federation of Western Outdoor Clubs, Dorr Hamlin being vice-president of Oregon. Guardian Peaks and the Seven Major Peaks of Oregon were presented at the meeting by Don Onthank.

## Wedding

Dr. Marian Hayes and Dr. F. N. Miller will be married at 9 o'clock Sunday, December 13 at her apartment.

Following the wedding there will be a wedding breakfast at his home. Guests will be members of the two families.

They are to have a honeymoon for a week at the coast.

## To Be Held At River Road Club House This Year

Gas rationing, barricaded snow playgrounds and a holiday that does not come on a week-end have made us cancel our annual New Year trek to the McKenzie country; but it cannot prevent our having a New Year party.

The party will be held from 7:00 p.m. till midnight on New Year's Eve at the River Road club house. It will start with a big pot-luck dinner with TURKEY and hot drinks supplied by the committee, and wind up with celebrating the passing of the Old year and the coming of the New. In between, will be a lot of entertainment and fun and the annual Liars' contest.

Glen Snyder and his accordion will play for the dancing. Bring hot dishes and food other than meats, and your sugar. Turkey, music and incidentals for the party will be about 75c each.

Sign up by Monday, December 28 at Hendershotts so that you will get some turkey and transportation, if needed, or if you have room for others, bring a friend.

This party is put on as usual by the Local Walks and Entertainment committees.

Come on Obsidians let's see if we can't persuade 1943 to bring back all our boys and girls, and the good times 1942 has taken from us.

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if the present addresses of these  
men in the service are turned in  
to Helen Smith, secretary, 108  
Monroe Street, Eugene, Oregon.

November 5, 1942

Miss Helen Smith, Secretary  
Obsidians, Incorporated  
Eugene, Oregon

My dear Miss Smith:

I appreciate very much indeed  
the honor which the Obsidian  
Club has conferred on me by  
electing me an honorary member  
of this organization. I assure  
you that I have a very warm  
spot in my heart for this club.  
I know it meant a great deal to  
me not only in the fact that I was  
able to see a great deal of our  
wonderful Oregon country, but  
primarily because of the men  
and women that I came to know  
intimately and those whom I still  
call my friends.

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only contributes much to the  
lives of individuals but I believe  
is important in the life of a city  
or a community and Eugene is  
richer for having an organiza-  
tion of this sort.

I hope you will convey my very  
warmest greeting to the mem-  
bers of the Obsidian Club and I  
sincerely hope that you continue  
to play a very important part in  
the development of an apprecia-  
tion for the fine things that Ore-  
gon has to give.

Yours very truly,  
JOHN F. BOVARD.

## Local Walks Schedule

There will be a Local Walks  
trip every Sunday or weekend  
this winter. The schedule had not  
been completed at time of our  
going to press, so for the present  
it will be necessary to watch for  
notices in the Guard or consult  
the bulletin board at Hender-  
shott's.

Because of rubber shortage  
and gas rationing, as many of  
the trips as possible will be  
scheduled to save these two war  
essentials and at the same time  
provide interesting trips. Public  
conveyance will also be used  
where possible. (Before we all  
had cars, some of the most fun  
we ever had was when we all  
went together in "public car-  
riers".)

Remember to watch the papers  
and bulletin board for trips.  
When the weather clears suffi-  
ciently, regular trip schedules  
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# What Club Members Are Doing

Myrtie Hamlin spent Thanksgiving with her mother and sisters at Blachley. Dorr had dinner with Nancy and Miner.

Mr. and Mrs. Yoran had guests for the big day.

The McKee's spent Thanksgiving at her sisters in North Bend returning home Sunday.

Florence and Glen had the family dinner at their home.

Thelma Watson spent the day with relatives.

Helen Kilpatrick, Myrtie Hamline and Nellie Moore have joined the surgical dressing class at the Red Cross Headquarters on Wednesday evenings.

Mary Gillespie has been collecting for the Community Chest—a very worthy cause.

Mary P. Castelloe came home the Sunday before Thanksgiving to have dinner with her folks. Several relatives from Portland and points north joined her. Bailey was unable to come as it was a work day for him.

Ada, Roy and Helen Smith had the traditional dinner and enjoyed a show afterwards.

Nellie Moore had Thanksgiving with relatives in Corvallis. She accompanied her brother and sister-in-law to Portland where she visited until Sunday.

Adeline Adams and her family had friends and relatives for a dinner party.

Olga and Harold Mortensen spent the day at their cabin above Belknap.

Helen Kilpatrick enjoyed having Jean home from OSC for Thanksgiving.

Miriam Yoder will arrive home December 20 to spend Christmas vacation with family and friends.



## Weather Report

Due to uncontrollable atmospheric conditions trips planned and scheduled by the local walks committee have had to be postponed to some future date.

W'ether th' weather's sunny,  
W'ether it's cold or hot,  
W'ether it's snowin'—  
Or rainin' or blowin'  
It's all th' weather we got,  
An' we jes' gotta weather the' weather,  
W'ether we like it or not!

## RECENT VISITORS

Gerald Johnson, June Porterfield, Chester Pietka, and Bob Swennes have visited in Eugene since they have been in the service.

## OUTDOOR EQUIPMENT—

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### Party at Cabin

A party was held at the cabins the weekend of November 22-23, we hope not the last for the duration.

The usual games and dancing were enjoyed.

A turkey dinner with all the trimmings was served Sunday at 2. Myrtie was given due credit for cooking the bird and everyone will agree it was delicious.

Those enjoying the evening party were Dorr and Myrtie Hamlin, Darwin and Josie Yorlan, Florence and Glen Sims, Thelma Watson, Nellie Moore, Olga Mortensen, Louie Waldorf, Bertie and Doran McKee, Dot, Elsie and Barbara Dotson, Ada, Roy and Helen Smith, Ed. Thompson, Stanley Valentine, and Mr. and Mrs. McJean.

Those coming Sunday for the dinner were Charlotte, Bobby, Margaret and Bob Lemon, Doris, Ray and Jimmie Sims.

Margaret and Bobby Lemon and Barbara Dotson were taken to the snow line where they enjoyed playing in the snow.

### Halloween Party

The Halloween party held under the auspices of the new princesses, Jane Hall, Mary Castello, Bertha Deckman and Nancy Hamlin, was a right jolly gathering. What with games, dancing and fortune telling everyone seemed to be having a very good time and to thoroughly enjoy the coffee and doughnuts which followed in from the kitchen.

The hard time costume prizes were won by Myrtie Hamlin and Hugh Currin. Myrtie has a way of patching which reduces the labor of sewing to zero. Get her to show you sometime. It is rumored that Hugh wore his ordinary clothes but does he always hold his tie down with a horse blanket pin? Anyway if you didn't attend you missed something.

### Greenery Trip

Watch the Register-Guard for announcement concerning a Greenery Trip, under the leadership of Dr. O. R. Gullion, next Sunday, December 13th.

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