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# OBSIDIAN SUMMER CAMP, AUGUST 2-16, 1942

## Begin Preparing For Summer Outing Now

Experience has proven that it is wise to check your equipment early and to replace old or worn out articles. In preparing for Summer Camp, please check the following suggested list of articles and equipment:

1. Sleeping Bag or 2 heavy blankets and canvass 8 ft. x 8 ft.—air mattress for comfort.
2. Knapsack or Rucksack—packboard for overnight trips is preferred by some.
3. Flashlight, extra batteries and globe or Carbide Lamp.
4. Heavy Hiking or Climbing Boots—tennis shoes for around camp and for rock climbs—slippers or mocassins.
5. Wool Jacket or Parka or Windbreaker and Sweater or extra Wool Shirt.
6. Wool Mittens and Gloves.
7. Individual First Aid Kit and Junk Bag containing—pencil, paper, safety pins, boot laces, candle, waterproof matches, tape, etc.
8. Sun Paint or Zinc Oxide—cold cream.
9. Sunglasses.
10. Personal Ice Axe and/or Crampons.
11. Plenty of Wool Socks.
12. Towels, Tooth Brush and personal items.
13. Drinking Cup and Canteen
14. Dunnage Bag.

It would be well to reduce extra personal belongings to a minimum because dunnage will be restricted to 35 pounds per person—anything over this amount must be paid for at the rate of 10c per pound.

Sixteen people have signed up for Summer Camp, and many more have stated that they are going. Better get your name on the list!

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A two weeks' outing is awaiting you and your friends in a region rarely visited until just recently. The opening of the new Willamette highway has put this beautiful region within an easy hike of less than five miles. I suppose by now you have heard of Linnton Meadows, Husband Lake, The Three Sisters Primitive Area, and Township 17 South, Range 7 East, Section 1.

Well, anyway, this year's summer camp will be located on the shores of Husband Lake, on the beautiful flower-filled Linnton Meadows, which lies nestled between the Three Sisters, the Husband, and the Wife. To you "Smoke Chasers" it's T 17 S, R 7 E, Sec. 1.

We are pleased to report that as usual the Forest Service is co-operating 100% in allowing us to establish a camp within a Primitive Area and within a Game Refuge. The meadows are often visited by herds of elk. Last year several groups made trips into Linnton Meadows and several individuals reached the summit of the Husband. All claim the locality ideal for a two weeks' summer outing because of its nearness to so many points of interest.

Some have suggested a climb of the Middle Sister from the south side via the Palisades; others wish to make a complete circuit of the South Sister; some even think that they would like to try the South Sister from the

north side; then there is the easy and hard way to climb the Husband; the annual climb of the North Sister will be led by the veteran Ray Sims on August 9; climbs will be made of the Wife, the Sphinx, Burnt Top, Substitute Point, and other lesser peaks in the near vicinity.

Oh, yes, there are lakes that lie around and around—Honey Lake, Tokatee Lakes, Linnton Lake and dozens of small lakes that provide excellent swimming and fishing. Many trails lead out from this area; such as Foley Ridge Trail, Sky Line Trail, and Separation Creek Trail. There are way trails that connect these trails and others that lead to points of interest, such as Honey Creek Falls, Linnton Creek Falls and Buck Meadows.

The outing committee feels and knows that this particular location is ideal for an excellent two weeks' outing in spite of the war situation. August will be a good time to relax and forget some of your every-day worries. Camp can be reached by way of McKenzie Highway and Frog Camp, a distance of 72 miles by car or Bend Stages; hike 8½ miles; or by the new Willamette Highway and Wickiup Plains, distance 135 miles by car, hike an easy 5 miles.

Complete costs for the two weeks' outing will be \$35 for members and \$40 for non-members, including transportation. If there is a large attendance, sufficient to cut some of the larger expenses, then a rebate will be made to those in attendance.

The Outing Committee is experienced and will do everything

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**SCHEDULE**

**JUNE 14—HORSEHAVEN CREEK.** "Creek" always brings to mind something clear and cool and flowing, with rocks and greenery abounding; a thing of beauty and a joy forever—to a hiker. Bill and Mrs. McCracken will be the leaders on this trip to the beautiful Umpqua forest country, by the Dorena dam site, up the Row River and Brice Creek. Be sure and sign up for it. *Qualifying Trip.*

**JUNE 21—GLEN SIMS RE-CREATION AREA.** Helen Kilpatrick and Myrtle Hamlin will direct this picnic, so you will want to be sure and be there. Take the train, your car, your bicycle, the bus, your old gray mare, your roller skates, or anything—but be there, and join in the fun.

**JUNE 28—DIAMOND PEAK** If there's anything in a name it should be a perfect June trip for the ladies. In the Deschutes forest, peak elevation 8750 feet. Car trip about 160 miles. Hike about 6 miles round trip. Leaders: Glen Sims and Eileen Baker Wilson. *Qualifying Trip.* Need we say more?

**JULY 4 - 5—OVERNIGHT MT. SHASTA.** Auto trip to Mt. Shasta and return. Climbing and skiing. A trip to remember. Elevation Mt. Shasta 14,182 feet. Round trip about 525 miles. Leaders: Bob Swennes, Tony Vogel. *Qualifying Trip.*

**OVERNIGHT BEND AREA.**

Visit the thunder egg beds, the diatomite mine, lava formations, etc., as the group wishes. Round trip about 240 miles. Leaders: Warren D. Smith, Nellie Moore.

**Professor Sipe New Member**

When the Obsidians first built the Three Sisters they said: "There is one of our number whose spirit is here but who has not yet joined us. He will be a quiet man, majestic in spirit, who communes with the flowers as though he could speak with them. His language is one we may not understand through ordinary means, but he will belong with us. In the year 1942 his name will be read aloud at the regular meeting in May. The Obsidian Chiefs have spoken!"

We welcome you home, Professor Sipe!

**Princess Butterfly Flies**

Olga Mortensen is leaving June 12 for Crater Lake, where she will be Head Housekeeper at the Lodge for the summer season. She will return in the fall.

We will all miss you, Olga. Hurry back.

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**Alvin Lynch, Helen Ross Wed**

Helen Ross became the bride of Alvin Lynch of Eugene, at a ceremony read on the evening of May 9, 8 P.M., at Westminster Chapel, in Portland.

The bride wore a blue crepe dress combined with blue lace, with navy accessories. Her bouquet was an old-fashioned nosegay of sweet peas and pink roses.

The bride's sister, Mrs. Van Loo, was her Maid of Honor, and wore a pink crepe dress, with a similar bouquet.

Doran McKee acted as best man.

Obsidians attending the wedding were: Bertie and Doran McKee, Bailey Castelloe and Mary Pennoyer.

**Yoran-Schwering Wedding**

Mrs. Josephine Schwering and Darwin Yoran were married in May. They were presented with a lovely bedspread by the Club, with instructions that it was to be taken to Summer Camp. They are at home at 511 E. 12th.

**THE WASH**

*(Everything Comes Out in It)*

Chief Broken Top Bailey Castelloe, now working in Portland, Florence and Glen Sims, Ray Boals, Lawrence Jensen, Mertie Hamlin, Bob Lemon and Bobby Lemon, made a trip to Silver Creek Falls on Sunday, May 17. This was a joint trip with the Chemeketans of Salem.

UGH! Broken Top! Wigwam at 1705 S.W. 12th St.

Helen and Alvin Lynch were surprised Thursday evening, May 21, when 12 Obsidians descended upon their apartment, each bearing a gift. After the packages were opened and contents admired, the group played "I doubt it". Ice cream and cake were served.

Olga Mortensen resigned as a member of the Board, chairman of Library Committee, and Mary Pennoyer was made chairman of that committee.

**WUXTRA! WUXTRA!!**

**JAMES GORDON SIMS  
ARRIVES MAY 30, 1942**

**Mertie Predicts Title Of  
"Chief Damper"**

**Ray Undecided Whether To  
Buy Him Ice Axe Or  
Ski Poles First**

**Recent Overnight Trips To  
Cabin**

*By Nellie Moore*

The first trip was enjoyed April 26. In the party were Florence and Glen Sims, Doran and Bertie McKee, Olga Mortensen, Nellie Moore, Thelma Watson, Lloyd Helikson, and Helen Smith. Dancing and "I doubt it" were the evening's entertainments. Dancing ended with a Grand March and delicious refreshments furnished by Myrtie Hamlin.

On Sunday, Dorr Hamlin's birthday was celebrated. A birthday cake with candles and elaborate gifts were presented to the honored guest.

**BICYCLE TRIP**

*By Nellie Moore*

It is hoped by those who were on the May 24th bicycle trip that the trip will be repeated and the real destination found.

About a twenty mile trip was taken and the weather was perfect up until noon.

We were separated from the leaders but we made a good trip out of it. Several natives of that part of the country were questioned but no one seemed able to tell us just where to go.

A quick change to raincoats and parkas was made when Jupe decided to turn loose. Lunch was eaten under the approach of the Coburg Bridge, not such a good place, as there were plenty of leaks in the boards!

Lloyd Helikson, Adeline Adams, Clara Nasholm, Nellie Moore and Helen Smith made up the party.

**"Vas You Dere, Charlie?"**

Whenever there is a lull in the business of the world, you will find a "Back to the McKenzie" movement on the part of the Obsidians, collectively and individually. It's a conditioned reflex, that's what it is!

Collectively, the Obsidians ganged up at the Cabin for an overnight party, which is related elsewhere in this dope sheet. Individually, Wally Clark made a beeline for Sunshine Shelter in his open air taxi with the rain coming down in thin slices. After sleeping in Sunshine Shelter in the snow, he thawed out his eyebrows and went skiing.

Sterling Behnke, Norman Lee, and John Skillern skied on the Sand Hills. Next day, just for a bracer-upper, they climbed Cupolo Rock.

Bob Lemon was driving over the McKenzie Pass Saturday morning. He and his family spent the holiday weekend in the vicinity of Crescent Lake.

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within its possible power to make your stay in camp an enjoyable one. Everything will be furnished as in other camps, that is, cook, packing, etc. Maybe a radio for news flashes if it will be possible to restrict its use to the satisfaction of all concerned.

The committee wishes you to sign up early at Hendershott's Gun Store and will take into consideration the existing state of war and will refund deposits if it becomes necessary to do so. For further details, contact the Outing Committee:

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**MORE WASH**

Several Obsidian Chiefs have just finished courses in "Smoke Chasing", sponsored by the Forest Service on Monday and Tuesday nights. There is to be one more session in which they will get some actual experience in working with fires, out in the forest, on June 21st.

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Blanche Osborn now lives in Klamath Falls. Her address is Municipal Airport, K. F., Ore.

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At the board meeting held May 20 the motion was made to give members in the service their dues free for the duration. The club will send each one a membership card so that he will be able to visit other clubs if he wishes.

**BASKET SOCIAL****(Shadow-Box Social)**

Well, you missed a lot of fun if you weren't present at the Basket Social the Club held last month. It was staged with finesse and savoir faire, or is it sang froid? Doran and Bertie McKee were the geniuses who figured this one out; the ladies, disguised with whatever bulky objects they could find, cavorted (I might say "wriggled") behind a screen, lighted so that their shadows were outlined on the screen—(shades of Carmen Miranda). The gentlemen (?) were seated on the other side and instructed to "bid" for each shadow. The bidding was high and heated, and Auctioneer Dorr Hamlin corralled the currency with magnificent manipulation.

Roy Elliott showed some pictures of interest in the forestry line, accompanying them with explanations.

Then the evening was finished with dancing to the familiar tunes of schottisches and polkas and waltzes.

Chester Pietka was first stationed at Fort Knox, Kentucky, Co. B, 10th Battalion, A.F.R.T.C. He tried out for a position in the band, while there. Now he is at Fort Smith, Arkansas, with another string of letters in his address. He reports that he likes it very much, and has now a position in the band.

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Bob Wilson is now in San Diego, California. His address is Co. 42, U.U., United States Naval Training Station, San Diego, California. At present he has a petty officer's rating, and will probably be there for six months.

**PRINCESS DOINGS***By Nellie Moore*

The May Princess meeting was held at the home of Princess Meadow Lark with Princess Pine Squirrel as assistant hostess, Monday, May 18. Owing to the trial air raid several were late in coming but all arrived safely.

The kits made for the Army and Navy were finished and were to be turned over to the Red Cross.

The next meeting will be June 15 at the home of Vera Heidenreich.

Those present were Thelma Watson, Myrtie Hamlin, Olga Mortensen, Helen Kilpatrick, Helen Wiser, Helen Smith, Nellie Moore, Adeline Adams, Florence Sims and the two hostesses.

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