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WINTER TRIP SCHEDULE

All Skiers, attention!! Now is the time if ever, for you to satisfy that urge to test and develop your skill. The mountains are fairly groaning with loads of snow; the frost-covered firs are beckoning a welcome. Our indefatigable ski chairman, George Korn, and assistant, Phil Edblom, have worked out some wonderful programs for you. Read these carefully, and make your plans.

WINTER SCHEDULE OF SKI TRIPS

Each trip listed gives date --- name of trip - area where held - leaders. (Q) means Qualifying).

FEB. 6 (Q) Proficiency Tests. Fourth class awards. Willamette Area. Whole staff - Bessie Kamarad.

FEB. 13 (Q) Odell Butte. 15 miles east of Will. Summit. Tony Vogel, Earl Britton.

FEB. 20 PNSA Cross-Country Championship-Willamette Area. Bob Lyon, George Korn.

FEB. 27 All Oregon Giant Slalom. Class C Junior, Boys, Girls - Sterling Behnke, Norman Lee.

MAR. 6 Trip to Timberline Lodge. Govt. Camp Ski Bowl. Mt. Hood Area. Louis Waldorf, Duane Brown.

MAR. 13 Mary's Peak. Near Corvallis. Ray Sims, Jimmy Sims.

MAR. 20 Winter Outing. (See Special Program).

MAR. 20 Ski-Bus Trip to Sun Valley, etc. (See Special Program).

MAR. 27 All Oregon Downhill and Slalom. Junior Boys and Girls -- Santiam Area - John Skillern, Miner Hamlin.

APR. 3 Diamond Peak (Q) Overnite trip, Summit Lodge, Odell Lake, Will. Area. --- Jack Meissner, Gilbert Sprague.

APR. 10 (Q) Crater Lake. One day ski bus trip. Camera fans, note. Doris Sims, Olivia Watt.

APR. 17 (Q) Three Fingered Jack. Overnite trip, Santiam Lodge. Paul Lafferty, Frank Eaton.

APR. 24 (Q) Gold Lake -- Novice Skiers. Waldo Lake, -- for experts. Will. Area. Bob Pfeiffer, Don Nacker.

MAY 1 (Q) Hand Lake-Sims Butte. Overnite Obsid. Cabin. Harold Trotter, Miner Hamlin.

MAY 8 (Q) Santiam Pass to McKenzie Pass! Overnite. McKenzie Area. John Watt, Bob Moffitt.

MAY 15 (Q) Lakeview Mt. Skyline Trail, south from Cascade Summit. Will. Area.

MAY 22 (Q) Sunshine Shelter. Annual trek to Three Sisters. Air rescue. McKenzie Area. Bryan Ryan, John Quiner.

MAY 29 (Q) Fairview Mt. Bohemia Mines, Bohemia Area. John Quiner-Bailey Castelleo.

WINTER OUTING

Special Vacation Ski Week, at Santiam, Hoodoo Bowl Area, staying at Suttle Lake and Santiam Lodge.

MAR. 19 Sat. - Travel to Santiam Ski Area.

MAR. 20 Sun. - Skiing at Santiam Area.

MAR. 21 Mon. - Ski Climb to top of Hoodoo Butte.

MAR. 22 Tue. - Ski Instruction at Hoodoo Bowl.

MAR. 23 Wed. - Cross-Country to Big Lake.

MAR. 24 Thur. - Ski instruction at Hoodoo Bowl.

MAR. 25 Fri. - Cross-Country to Three Fingered Jack.

MAR. 26 Sat.

MAR. 27 Sun. - All Oregon Junior Boys and Girls Downhill Slalom.

Two bus trips will be scheduled, if enough register. First bus trip:

Leave Eugene 7 AM, Sat. Mar. 19. Return 4:30 PM (from Santiam).

Second Bus: Sat. Mar. 26, Sun. Mar. 27.

More details will be placed on the bulletin board at Hendershott's; be sure to check, and sign up early if you plan to go.

BRING YOUR VALENTINE...

Dorothy Steinmetz and her Entertainment Committee invite all Obsidians and friends to a big Valentine Party, Monday, Feb. 14 at 6:30 promptly-potluck style-bring covered dish and your own dishes and silver-coffee and cream will be furnished-at the new Recreation Center at 20th & Washington. The committee plans to entertain you with SKI MOVIES - MUSIC - DANCING - AND OTHER FEATURES. Everybody welcome!

-- FLASH--THERE WILL BE A 20-MIN. SKI MOVIE "SKI TIPS" AT VALENTINE PARTY --

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SKI BUS TRIP

Member: Federation of Western Outdoor Clubs; Pacific Northwest Ski Association; Central Cascade Recreational Council.

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OUR NEW MEMBERS

Since the last issue of "The Obsidian", the following new members have been admitted by the Board.

ACTIVE MEMBERS:

Anna Pechanec (Vancouver, Washington)
 Edwin D. Larsen

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS:

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 Friendly House, at 11th & Ferry Sts., is sponsoring a folk dancing session every Saturday night from 8 on. All Obsidians and anyone else interested are invited.

To Sun Valley, Bogus Basin, Payette Lakes, Anthony Lakes. A whole week of Visiting and skiing in some of the finest winter recreation areas of the Northwest. Here is a condensed resume of this wonderful and inexpensive trip. Be sure to see the more detailed account on the Obsidian Bulletin board.

MAR.20 Sun.-Eugene to Payette, Idaho. 413 Miles. Overnite at Payette.

MAR.21 Mon.-Payette to Payette Lakes (7 to 10 AM). At Payette Lakes 10 AM to 4 PM. Payette to Boise. Overnite at Boise.

MAR.22 Tues.-Boise to Sun Valley (7 to 10 AM). Ski at Sun Valley. Overnite at Sun Valley, with ice skating, dancing, or theatre available.

MAR.23 Wed.-At Sun Valley all day. Stay at Sun Valley overnite.

MAR.24 Thur.-Sun Valley to Bogus Basin (7 AM to 12 NOON). Ski at Bogus Basin in PM, then on to Ontario, Ore. Overnite at Ontario.

MAR.25 Fri.-Ontario to Anthony Lakes--(7 AM to 10 AM). Ski at Anthony Lakes rest of day. Overnite at Anthony Lakes.

MAR.26 Sat.-Ski at Anthony Lakes until 4 PM, then on to Ontario. Overnite at Ontario.

MAR.27 Sun.-Ontario back to Eugene.

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Some estimated figures on the above trip:

Total miles 1727
 Approximate Fare \$24.00
 Approximate Lodging Cost . . . \$24.00
 Approximate Meals Cost . . . \$24.00

An alternate trip, going directly to Anthony Lakes, may be worked out. Register for trip by March 12th.

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SKI TRIPS SUMMARY

Winter sports enthusiasts have a wide and varied list of choices, as shown in the programs outlined: He may choose:

1. One or several of the week-end trips, scheduled through Feb.-Mar.-Apr.-& May.
2. Part or all of the Winter Outing, Mar. 19 to 27, in the Santiam-Hoodoo Bowl Area.
3. The Ski-Bus trip, to the winter sports areas of Idaho.

MR. AND MRS. MEISSNER...

Jack and Virginia were married Sunday afternoon, January 16, at the Congregational Church in Eugene, with many Obsidian friends present to start them off on a long and happy life together. The bride wore a white satin gown which had been Jack's sister's wedding gown, and carried a bouquet of white carnations centered by an orchid. She was escorted down the aisle by her father. Jack's mother, and Virginia's were also present. Her attendants were Mildred Vaughan, Lucile Gilson, Betty Stewart, and Phyllis Morris. Gilbert Sprague's little girl, Marilyn, was flower girl. Jack's brother-in-law served him as best man. Immediately after the ceremony a reception was held in the Wheeler room of the church, and pictures were taken by Hubert Phillips, Bob Pfeiffer, and Ralph Proudfoot. Assisting at the reception were Doris Sims, Trilla Korn, and Judy Egge, Mary Castellloe, and others of Virginia's friends. An arch was made with ski poles for their grand exit, which drew plenty of rice. Virginia tossed her bouquet from the stairway, after removing the orchid to wear on her new blue going away coat. Somehow some rice managed to get in her suitcase too. She and Jack spent a week at Anthony Lakes - just skiing! --- and are now at home at Cascade Summit, where they are - yes, you guessed it --- skiing every day! May they ski through life with never a spill!

NEW CHIEFS AND PRINCESSES

During the month of November the Princesses and Chiefs held their respective initiation parties at Obsidiancabin-- Alice Kingman became the newest Princess, being named "Snowy Owl". Alice is now attending Oregon State College. The six new chiefs were christened: "Parachute" --George Korn; "Soft Shoe" --Jess Hayden; "Eagle Feather" --Bob Pfeiffer; "Mountain Goat" --Duane Brown; "Spark Plug" --Geary Worth; and "Eager Beaver" --Jack Kerrebrock.

PRINCESS MEETINGS

The princesses met January 17th at the home of Adeline Adams. Bills for the Christmas party were approved, and it was generally agreed that the event was a big success. The traveling prize was won by Helen Weiser. Refreshments and conversation finished the evening, with the next meeting to be at Mary Gillespie's, Feb. 21.

NEW BOARD MEMBER

At a recent board meeting, Earl Britton announced it would be necessary for him to resign. His resignation was accepted by the board, with much regret. As his successor, the board chose Gilbert Sprague.

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A Letter from JOHN BOVARD

At the regular annual meeting, three years ago, John Bovard was unanimously voted an honorary membership in the Obsidians. Evidently the letter of notification sent to him by the Obsidians then was not delivered very promptly, as he has only recently written a letter of acknowledgment, expressing his thanks to the Obsidians. To quote from his letter: "My thanks to the club for remembering me. I assure you the Obsidian Club will always be dear to my heart." John is retired now, and living at 359 Belvedere St., LaJolla, Cal. To quote further: "--while I am glad to be in this nice spot (near the ocean) I do miss the Mountains and the fine times with you all."

Honorary membership in the Obsidians is awarded only for distinctive and faithful service in the Club. We have two other Honorary members: Mr. J.D. (Dorr) Hamlin, and Prof. David E. Faville.

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The New "OBSIDIAN"

Readers will note that our favorite newspaper has a "new look" (or should we say a "different look") this issue. At a recent board meeting, it was decided to try out this new method. Its advantages will be: prompter publication; more frequent issues; and less expense to the club. Its disadvantages will be left to the reader to figure out.

Our present plans are to publish an issue each month, on the first of each month. Whether this proves a success depends much on the aid given by each member of the Obsidians. If you have material that you think deserves a place in our "Monthly", please write it up, at least in summary, and hand or mail it to The Editor - Frank P. Sipe (1862 Kincaid - Phone 2032-J or 3300, Ext. 542), or to Mary Castellloe, - 1079 Oak St., Phone 6080 or (home) 5587-W.

THE PERSONNEL OF THE SKI COMMITTEE IS AS FOLLOWS:

George Korn, Chairman . . . Phone 151
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Earl Britton John Quiner
Frank Eaton Bryan Ryan
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Miner Hamlin Harold Trotter
Paul Lafferty Tony Vogel
Norman Lee John Watt

SUB-COMMITTEES APPOINTED:

WINTER SCHEDULE TOURNAMENTS
Harold Trotter Robert Lyon
Phil Edblom Sterling Behnke
Frank Eaton John Skillern

SAFETY SKI SCHOOL MOUNTAIN LODGE
Tony Vogel Paul Lafferty
Miner Hamlin Bryan Ryan
Norman Lee John Watt

NEXT SKI COMMITTEE MEETING

Tuesday, February 8 - Community Center

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 F U N G I F U N

Modesty would prevent our bulletin editor mentioning the article about him in the Oregonian of Jan. 29. Under this heading, Josephine Moore had a full page article about Prof. Frank Sipe, Professor of botany at the University of Oregon, and his special hobby: fungi and mushrooms. Many Obsidians have shared his enjoyment and identification of them on our local walks. Perhaps as chairman of our scientific committee, he might invite us to spend an evening in his laboratory, viewing his specimens and colored slides of these and other wild plants.

L.W.W.

SUMMER CAMP COMMITTEE WORKING

The Board having appointed Louis Waldorf as chairman, the Outing committee has started filling out its membership and consideration of areas for Summer Camp. Glen Sims, Myron (Mike) Stahl and Ray Sims have been chosen and agreed to serve, and a fifth member will be announced shortly.

With an active committee and all starting work early, it is hoped to have a most successful camp this year--one that every member, novice and experienced, can enjoy. Answers to correspondence are being received and data studied; and a decision will be reached as soon as possible on

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SKI SHOWS --- ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE

Dorothy Steinmetz

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 the place and dates of the outing.

But make up your mind now that you are going on the Obsidian Outing for your vacation. It is going to be a humdinger!

ATTENTION! NON-MEMBERS

Members are repeatedly being asked, "Can anyone become a member of the Obsidians?" Or, "How do you do it?"

Yes, anyone of good character, recommended by two members and acceptable to the board, may become a member. Just ask your Obsidian friend for an application blank. It costs only \$5.00 including first years dues, or \$1.00 for Juniors under 18. Active and Associate membership classifications will be explained to you.

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