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SUMMER CAMP

Mt. St. Helens & Spirit Lake

The Outing Committee has decided on the north side of Mt. St. Helens for this year's outing. The dates will be Aug. 7 to 21.

This will be our first outing to St. Helens, and few of our members have climbed it because of the distance for a week end trip. However, it is popular with clubs in that area, the Mazamas having climbed it first in the 90's. It is known (along with Mt. Hood and Mt. Adams) as one of the "Three Guardian Peaks of the Columbia". There is usually some of the finest glissading to be had anywhere, on the north side of the mountain.

We will be camped close to Spirit Lake, a large beautiful mountain lake with timbered shores, only about three or four miles from the end of transportation, about 230 miles from Eugene. There are many smaller lakes and clear streams not far from camp, with plenty of places to fish, and lesser peaks to climb, and lots of interesting places to hike from camp.

SCADS OF TRIPS

To quote from a letter from Martha Darcy, for several years chairman of the Mazama outing committee: "This camp - is nicely situated for scads of trips -- Meta Lake just four miles away--the Lake Basin another eight - round trip to Mt. Margaret by way of Ice Lake - Cold Water Butte - exploration of the west side of St. Helens to the Floating Islands - trip to the Plains of Abraham, which is a dandy. Golly, there is so much to do that two weeks will not be long enough! For some of you hardy souls, why not a trail trip to Mt. Adams? This is really a swell trip - I took it last summer with a group of my campfire girls."

So this should make a wonderful -- and

popular outing. The Locale is in the Columbia National Forest primitive area. We are getting further information from them, and the Mt. St. Helens Club.

Prospectus, and full details, with cost, etc., will be in the May Bulletin. Dave Faville has already written that he will be with us this year, and bring his wife and 16 year old son - need we say more?

Glen Sims
 Myron Stahl
 Raymond Sims
 Louis Waldorf, Chairman

LOCAL WALKS

The Local Walks Committee is working on a series of very choice trips, beginning April third. If you are getting muscle bound for lack of exercise, better walk to work a few times in March, for when April comes, summer won't be far behind, with all the opportunities for revisiting old trails, or exploring new ones. Get those old, neglected hiking shoes out of the closet, give them a generous application of boot grease, and be all set for the 1949 hiking season!

Local Walks schedules will appear in the April issue of the Bulletin.

MORE ABOUT SKIING

If you are a reader of the other Eugene newspaper (Register Guard) you will have read about the PNSA events which came off at the Willamette area, under the supervision of George Korn, Phil Edblom, and Bob Lyon. All reports indicate it was a wonderful show.

Last month schedules of ski events were published in the Obsidian. Please read these over carefully. In this issue - we are calling your attention again to some of these, and including some addi-

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NEW MEMBERS

The following new members are welcomed into the club:

Active: Erwin D. Larson, service station operator; and Ray Engles, Honorary Chief ("Scout"), and long time Forest Service friend of the Obsidians.

Associate: Horace Plumb, retired newspaper editor, who represents the American Correspondence School in Eugene, and participant in many Obsidian trips and parties; Connie Watson, Canadian, who works in the cataloging department at the U. of O. Library, and makes her Sundays count on the ski slopes; Bob Fuller University Student and skier.

Junior: Dick Duncan, another Lebanon skier making a name for himself in the races.

The ALL OREGON GIANT SLALOM--Class C & Junior - Obsidian sponsored ski meet - scheduled for February 27, at Hoodoo Bowl, has been postponed to March 27 - the same day as the Obsidian sponsored ALL OREGON DOWNHILL AND SLALOM -- for Junior Boys and Girls.

SKI PROGRAMS(Continued from Page 1)

WINTER OUTING

During the week of March 20-27, three different ski vacations have been worked out by your Ski Committee. See February Obsidian for complete outlines. These three vacations are:

- 1. Santiam Pass Area
- 2. Anthony Lakes
- 3. Sun Valley(and other intermediate points)

In addition, the committee plans to repeat number one vacation, to correspond to the High School Vacation, week of March 27-April 3. All High School people -- pleeeze note!

Here are a few additional notes concerning these trips--(Prepared by George Korn.)

SUN VALLEY TRIP

Did you ever have a yen to ski Sun Valley? Would you like to see (Oh! I mean ski) Bogus Basin? Ever hear of Payette Lakes Ski Area at McCall, Idaho; or wish to say you had skied Anthony Lakes? Then let's go. If you dont ski, just go along for the ride, and see the sights. Obsidians and their friends are invited to go on this week long tour, by bus to four major ski areas of Idaho and Oregon. Look up the itinerary, in last month's Obsidian.

ANTHONY LAKES

High up in the Wallowa Mountains, nestled in the Elkhorn Ridge, at an elevation of 8000 ft. lies the Anthony Lakes Ski Area. Here is offered skiers a vacation in the rough. Sounds like a place for a real Obsidian winter vacation. Anthony Lakes Ski Club would be hosts, at Oregon's newest winter sports area. The skiers of Baker and LaGrande have combined to form this club. They

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FEDERATION OF WESTERN OUTDOOR CLUBS

How many Obsidians are members of the FWOC? It costs only a dollar, which goes to a cause dear to the hearts of all of us. You will get "Western Outdoor Quarterly", a small but informative publication, giving information on the activities of member clubs of the Federation. Individual memberships help a great deal, both because of the small contribution of one dollar, and the encouragement it gives to the officers of the Federation, who will feel they have a lot of people backing them up in their work. As one of the most active "all the year round" clubs in the west, the Obsidians should have a large showing.

Send your dollar to Olga Madsen, Secretary, 985 Pine St., San Francisco, 2.

DANCE AT SKOVBO'S BARN - MARCH 17

Dorothy Steinmetz, announces a dance to be held at Skovbo's Barn in Junction City (Dane Lane) on March 17th -- sure, an' it's St. Patrick's Day. Hooray for the Irish!

VALENTINE PARTY

More than 50 attended the Valentine Potluck, and "licked the platters clean" --two tables full. In addition to the delicious food, there were pictures -- colored slides from Alaska, shown by Earl Hunter, and movies shown by Hubert Phillips. Folk dancing finished the evening.

NEW BOARD MEMBER

At the last meeting of the board, Mildred Vaughan submitted her resignation. Since her reasons were abundantly evident, from a sparkling new ring on a certain finger of the left hand, which ultimately will result in her living in another town, her resignation was accepted.

As her successor, the board chose another charming Obsidian, Judy Egge.

Charlotte Berryhill spent a glorious week skiing Sun Valley recently.

Margaret Vaughan is to be married on Sunday, March 6, to Joe Guth, of Creswell.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

At the last Annual Meeting, our auditing chairman, Bob Lemon, suggested publishing the Annual Financial Report, at least in a condensed form, in the Bulletin. Club members, he felt, would be interested in this information. With the aid of Clif Stalsberg, our present auditing chairman, the following condensed statement has been prepared.

OBSIDIANS, INCORPORATED
Balance Sheet - at Sept. 30, 1948

ASSETS	
Current assets	675.52
Investments	1,979.87
Fixed assets	875.02
Total assets	<u>\$3,530.41</u>

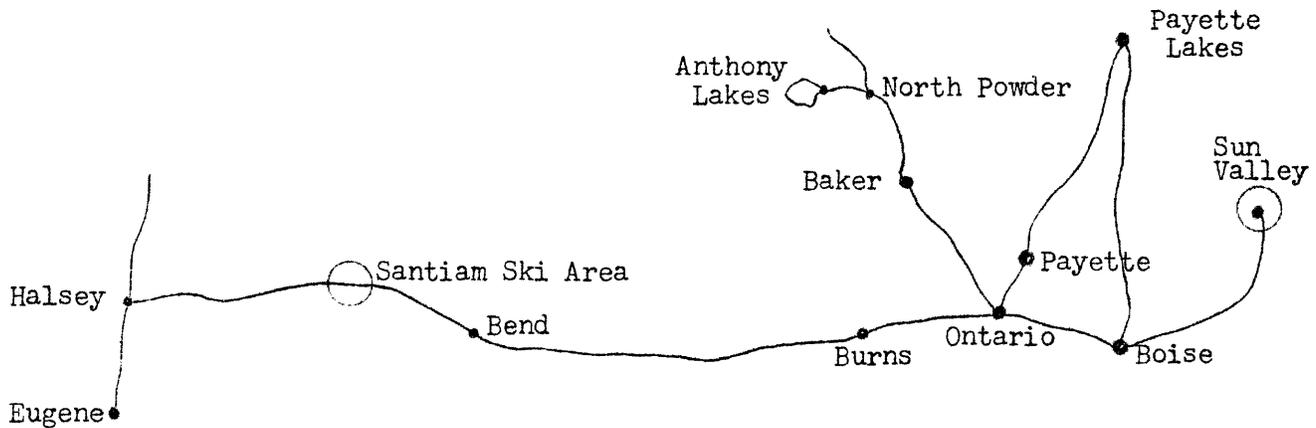
LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS	
Deferred credit	37.00
Surplus	
Search Fund	122.25
Bessie Day Gift Fund	500.00
Investment Fund	637.50
Town Club House Fund	1.58
Mountain Club House Fund	11.00
General Surplus	2,221.08
Total, surplus & deferred credit	<u>\$3,530.41</u>

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSES

Departmental Operations	Income	Expense
Local Walks	31.45	43.95
Outings	1,128.35	1,322.31
Climbing	81.65	83.53
Lodge	46.25	60.60
Publications	87.50	215.30
Skiing	675.10	592.61
	<u>\$2,050.30</u>	<u>\$2,318.30</u>
Net departmental loss		(268.00)

GENERAL CLUB OPERATIONS

Income	
Dues	452.00
Initiation Fees	171.00
Interest	29.23
Miscellaneous	10.93
	663.16
	395.16
Expense	
Secretary, office sup.	128.99
Library expense	2.59
Association Dues	30.00
Delegate expenses	24.00
Prof. Taxes and Misc.	95.60
Net Income	\$ 113.98



MAP SHOWING LOCATION OF AREAS FOR SKI OUTINGS PLANNED FOR MARCH

ANTHONY LAKES(Continued)

own and operate their own snow plowing equipment, and maintain the roads from Highway 30, at North Powder.

Olaf Rodegard, nationally known skier and instructor, is president of the club. He operates the area, and extends a personal invitation to come and ski Anthony Lakes. The location is a CCC Camp, with bunkhouses and comfortable bunks. Good meals are provided by capable cooks. Tows are easy to ride; belts are used on the expert tows, which are 2000 ft. long. All this costs only \$4.50 a day.

The rate for ski instruction is \$3.00 for 4 hours, or \$2.00 for 2 hours. Groups of 10 or more get reduced rates--(Half price).

Meals are cafeteria style. Bath houses and rest rooms are modern.

The ski bus for this trip would leave Eugene at 5 AM, March 20, and go by way of Santiam Pass, Bend, and Burns - stay overnight at Ontario, arriving at lake Monday noon. Thus Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday would be free for skiing, with one of the best ski instructors in the country. Hop off again Saturday noon, for Ontario, and back to Eugene Sunday.

CARAVAN TO MARY'S PEAK

On Sunday, March 13, Ray Sims will lead a trip to Mary's Peak. The area is about 15 miles west of Corvallis. The Helonskis will be on deck with their tow set up, and if it is a nice day, you will see one of the finest views in the valley. All you need is a pair of skis, climbers or some straps around your skis;

SEE OBSIDIAN BULLETIN BOARD FOR ADDITIONAL DETAILS ON THE WINTER OUTINGS. DASH DOWN TO HENDERSHOTT'S AND SIGN UP NOW ---MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS NOW ---DEPOSIT FOR FARE MUST BE MADE BY MARCH 12TH!!!

then just walk up. The terrain is suited to anyone's speed, and best of all is the long ride down. Sign up at Hendershott's so we can pool transportation.

TELL 'EM YOU SPENT THE WEEKEND AT TIMBERLINE! ALL ABOARD!!!

Bus will leave Eugene with pick-ups -- downtown and on campus - 5 AM Sun. March 6 -- should arrive about 10. If anyone wishes to get off at Gov. Camp to hit for French Bowl or Multopor or Darr's Red Devil Hill, the bus will stop and then -- continue to Timberline. Several bus pick-ups will be made to "run 'em agin'" ---- Do what you want, but be in front of --- Hjalmar Hvam's Ski Shop by 5 PM -- ready to go, as we are not going to look you up. Fare 5 bucks - first 40 to sign get to(Obsidians and guests first in line)--- Registration closes Thurs. March 3 - 6 PM. LET'S GO!!!

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