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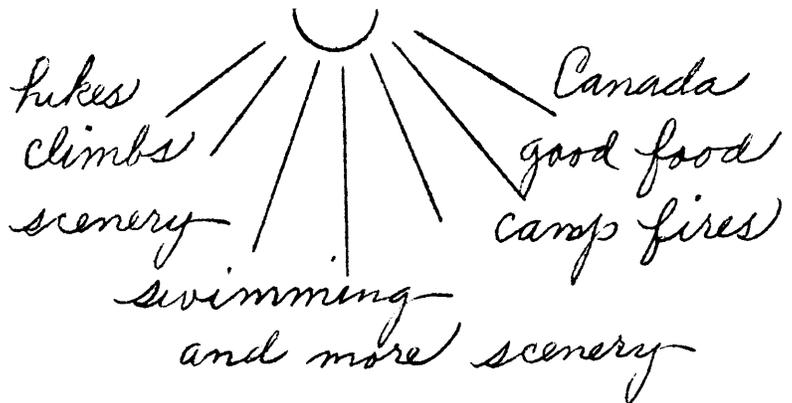
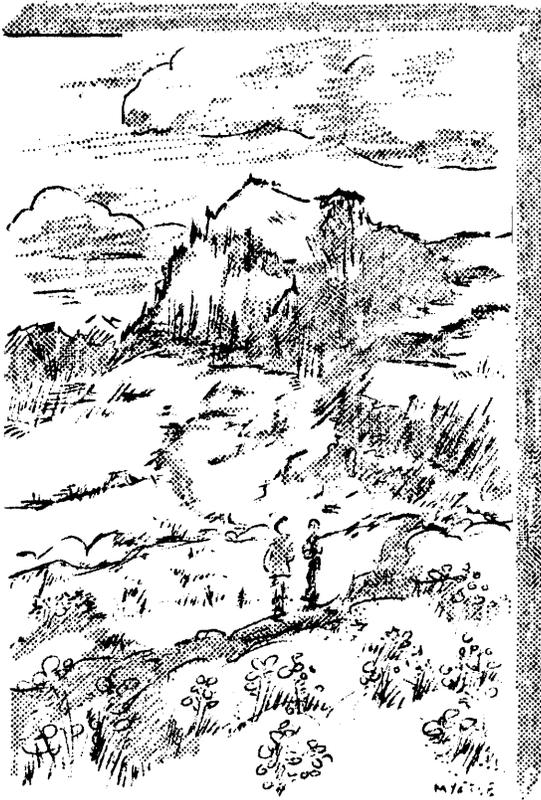
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OBSIDIAN SUMMER CAMP

34TH ANNUAL SUMMER OUTING
AUGUST 4-17, 1963 *in*

GLACIER NAT'L PARK
MONTANA

CAMP MARKLEY



A review of the last outing report on a camp in Glacier by the Obsidians, states that they enjoyed wonderful weather and saw unlimited beauty all about them. Several persons have stated that of the many places they have camped, this is the one to return to. The Park has many trails, lakes and mountains that should appeal to everyone in camp. The beauty abounds from roadside and trailside.

Several side trips will be made about the Park by auto and also hiking. Some bivouac hikes will be made with suitable foodstuffs provided by the camp.

A centrally located site near the easterly half of the "Going-to-the-Sun" highway has been requested and will be announced.

SUMMER OUTING COMMITTEE

Jim Jeppesen, Chm.
Henry Carlson
Barbara Hasek
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Contact any of the committee
for information and watch
Bulletin Board at Gilberts
Shoe Store

TRIPS-CLIMBS-SOCIALJUNE 16-SILVER CREEK STATE PARK

Hike down this beautiful stream and see all the beautiful falls. This is an all down hill walk. The leader is not known at this time, so call Gene Sebring, trip Chairman.

JUNE 15 & 16. Climb Diamond Peak from the north side. Charla Eubanks, Leader.

June 17. Princess meeting at the home of Princess Gray Feather. 1865 Charnelton.

JUNE 21-Pot-luck at the Lodge. This is a Malahini Special. A Luau. Dress in Hawaiian style, as near as you can. Program Bring food and table service. 6:30 p.m.

JUNE 23-ROSARY LAKES. an old reliable and an old reliable leader. Henry Jeppesen.

JUNE 24-Obsidian picture night at Friendly House. Last one will be July 28.

June 30-CASTLE ROCK.This is up the McKenzie and on the south side and above the S Fork. This is listed as qualifying and to you who need it this is about the easiest qualifying trip. Forest White, Leader.

JUNE 29 & 30-Climb Three Fingered Jack. Bob Ashworth, Leader.

JUNE 29 & 30-Climb the South Sister. This will make two climbs on one week end. It would be a good time to make two peaks on one week end and show up some of these 3 Sisters on one day climbers. Leader will be Jim Jeppesen.

JULY 4th-Picnic at Bad Manors, 162 West A street, Springfield. 5 p.m. Medills say, remember the slogan, "Not more than a 5th on the Fourth!" It has been reported that Bob has made an old fashioned lawn swing, so come on over and swing.

JULY 4 & 5-Climb of Mt Jefferson. Tom Taylor, Leader.

JULY 7-Obsidian Loop. Another old favorite with another old hand at leading. This is also up the McKenzie. Away up. McWilliams is the leader.

JULY 6 & 7-Climb Mt Hood by way of the south side. Mark McLaughlin, Leader.

JULY 6 & 7-Climb Mt Hood by way of the north side. Jim Harrang, Leader.

NOTE: two climbs of Mt Hood on the same week end.

July 17 - next Board Meeting; 7:30 p.m. the Stanley Hasek's are hosts; meeting at the Lodge.

PERCY BROWN was recently presented with a 50-year membership pin by Eugene Masonic Lodge No. 11, A.F. & A.M. Harmon Penney also received his 50 year pin from his home Lodge in Republic, Missouri, No 570 A.F. & A.M.

WEDDING BELLS will be ringing in St Marys Cathedral at Lincoln, Nebraska for Lt. Bricher when he will be united in Holy Wedlock to Clara Louise Ostdiek, Obsidians are all invited to attend. Tom is a Lieutenant in the U.S. Air Force.

LATE TO BED-EARLY RISER?

Doris Jones called her son, Jim, at the farm in Germany where Jim was working one night before she retired for the night and got Jim as he was eating breakfast.

THELMA WATSON has lost her brother and we Obsidians all extend to her our sympathy. Most of us did not know him, but if he was like Thelma we would have liked him.

JIM SIMS must have gotten tired of throwing the fence over some cow, as he has acquired a motor scooter and has gone down to Grace Kelly's Monaco to see the Grand Prix race. R.S.

WANDA MOUNTJOY

In last months issue the name of one of the new members was mis-spelled. It should be Wanda Mountjoy and not Mountjo.

ELLA CARRICK has retired from her position as librarian at the University and plans a lengthy visit to Scotland.

RUTH HOPSON

Its not everyone who gets mentioned in a newspaper editorial, and especially an Obsidian, but Ruth did. She was mentioned in a Register-Guard editorial of May 18th. It told of her work and studies in, around and over the Three Sisters and Collier Glacier.

FRANCES FREEDENBURG has her name to go on a chair. This makes 21 names put on chairs the last few weeks. There are a few chairs left. The parking lot has been leveled, enlarged and gravelled and the road in has been bladed and finer gravel put on.

BOB ASHWORTH AND DICK STANFIELD two of our outstanding mountain climbers graduated from Willamette High this spring.

HENRY JEPPESEN wants it known that he did not paint the sliding door panels to the kitchen shelves.

PRINCESS DOINGS

The Princesses met at the home of Helen Hughes Monday May 20; Thelma Watson was assistant hostess. the sliding doors in the Lodge kitchen were found to be the wrong color and it was decided to ask for an adjustment before paying the bill. Bills for the Lodge Open House were approved. Nellie McWilliams reported progress on the Gold Bond Project, and urged all members to continue turning in Gold Bond Stamps, Folgers and MJB Coffee bands, Betty Crocker coupons. Rummage Sale plans were completed and helpers secured, Nellie in charge.

Margaret Markley was presented with a toy ship laden with gifts of money and camera film as a Bon Voyage for her trip around the world. She displayed many colorful travel folders. Mary Kaneen has invited the group to her home for the June meeting, Monday June 17th. SUNSET BAY CAPE ARAGO May 25-26 trip.

Most of the group camped over night at Sunset Bay State Park. We drove down to Cape Arago about 8:30 where we met our leader, Bayard McConnaughey, his family and Susan and Pricilla Huntington. The sea was calm and we were able to explore the North Rocks. Mr McConnaughey led and explained about the marine life, etc. Some things of interest were the crabs, blood worms, eels and ducks. Those on this trip; Bayard McConnaughey and family, Mrs West and children, Susan & Pricilla Huntington, Alvin and Helen Lynch, Ted and Mary Jo Johannis, Virginia, Gene, Dale Mark and Martha Sebring.

PORTLAND ZOO & RHODODENDRON GARDENS

Main group left 19th and Patterson at 8:30 after a debate on whether we had good judgement or not as it was raining. Arrived at zoo from 10:30 till 11:00. We then took a leisurely walk thru out the new zoo. Lots of newly born animals. We then drove down to Washington Park and the Rose Gardens where we had a nice lunch overlooking the city. Myrtie had a lot of extra goodies including pie and fresh home made bread. We then formed a convoy and proceeded to cross Portland without losing a single car. We then toured the National Rhododendron Test Gardens at Crystal Springs which is just across from Reed College. This was the week end of the annual Portland Rhododendron Show, & there were many beautiful trusses & displays. Most of us then proceeded home on the freeway. Those going were:

Catherine Dunlop, Bailey & Mary Castelleo Myrtie Hamlin, Kenneth Lodewick, Robin Brant, Ray Sims, Virginia, Gene, Dale, Mark & Martha Sebring.

PRESENTATION OF CARVED PLAQUE TO LODGE

At the winter Olympics held at St. Moritz in 1948 for the first time in history of the Olympics, the Gold Medal for skiing was won by a woman. Her name -- Gretchen Fraser, and she learned her skiing from her husband on the slopes of Mt. Hood. On her return Portland gave her a most grand welcome. On May 22, 1948 the Obsidians extended to her an invitation to a welcoming party at Eugene. George Korn was Chairman of the welcoming party and he had made at the Eugene Vocational School two wood plaques about 16 inches wide and five feet tall depicting mountain trail scenes. These were carved from native maples by Lorie Cross, noted wood carver of Eugene for this event and were to become the property of the Obsidians when they acquired a Lodge building of their own. They have been held by George Korn all these years for just such an event as was held at the Lodge May 19th when they were presented to the Obsidians by George Korn. George gave a most heart-warming talk in presenting them. We all owe Geo. and do give you, George, a big vote of thanks.

FRIENDLY HOUSE OBSIDIAN PICTURE NIGHT is Monday, June 24. Last one will be Monday July 28. This is always an interesting evening, and now there is a way we can help Friendly House financially -- please donate all the grocery coupons you find in magazines or in the mail that you will not be needing - they appear in SatEvePost, Readers Digest, Womans Day, Ladies Home Journal, and in the newspapers and are often sent to "Occupant" by mail. Also donations of cotton cloth for rags will be appreciated.

TUGMAN PARK

The new State Park south of Reedsport is of special interest to us because at one time Bill Tugman was an Obsidian and was Chief TAO, being number 15 on the list. It has been reported that he lost the seat of his britches coming down a mountain, thus the name - this is just hearsay.

SUPPLEMENTARY SATURDAY SCHEDULE

Because of requests for Saturday trips the following schedule has been suggested by Helen Smith.

JUNE 22-HUCKLEBERRY MT & Huckleberry Lake up the Willamette.

JULY 13-Fuji Mt.

JULY 20-Rebel Rock

AUGUST 3-Mathieus Lakes and Yapoah Crater

AUGUST 10-Moraine Lake

JULY 27 to AUGUST 3-Week long back packing trip from Frog Camp to Wickiup Plains or AUGUST 3 to August 10.

Because of lack of time to get arrangements made before publication, Gene Sebring will contact Helen and see if she can arrange this part of the program.

LATEST CATALOGS Among the latest are from The Ski Hut, Berkeley, Calif. The Smilie Company, San Francisco. Sporthaus Schuster-Munchen. Mountaineering Supply, Springfield, Mass., W. Yates New York, N.Y.. These are all at the Lodge. Also we get a book from a climbing club in Mexico City every 3 or 4 months that is quite interesting if you can read Spanish.

LEFT AT THE SWITCH and this is not a road story. In back issues of the Bulletin your attention has been called to the necessity of signing up for trips. And if it is impossible for you to sign up then call the leader in plenty of time to get put on. A story in a back issue said that some time people would show up for a trip and would wonder what had happened, no leader showing up and this has just happened. Only two signed up for the Fort Rock trip and for a two days trip the leader did not feel justified in making the trip so he notified these two that he was calling the trip off. Later developments showed that there were a number of people who wanted to go with the result that there were some hard feelings. The sign up sheet is always posted by Tuesday morning and leaders stay by their phones the night before a trip just for calls even tho he may want to go someplace.

PTARMIGAN a rather new outdoor organization of Vancouver, Wash. has just come out with their first edition of their club paper. They have named it Ptarmigan Ptales. Welcome to you and we wish you all a lively and active and long life.

PUMMAGE plans are being made for another this fall, so when you run across something you no longer need set it aside.

JUDITH DOIG from Australia, who filled a temporary position at the University of Oregon Library for a year and a half, goes to a new job in the library at Queen's University, Kingston, Ontario, Canada.

JIM KEZER is doing research during the summer months at St. Andrews University Scotland.

MARGARET MARKLEY AND MIKE FORRESTER are due to sail from San Francisco on June 21 on the S.S. Orsova for a two months tour around the world.

GREETINGS, NEW MEMBERS

Mae Cooper, (Mrs. Leslie)
Veda Gossler, Springfield
Tom Bauman, Eugene
Al B. Smith, Eugene
Lila Smith, Mrs. Al
Nancy a Smith, Jr.

FWOC CONVENTION to be hosted by the Calif Alpine Club at Asilomar, a State Park of California. It is a place of beauty and built and maintained especially to handle Conferences and conventions. Accommodations are for 250. Cost \$17.50. It is suggested that we organize a group from here to go together. This sounds nice and a good vacation is assured. Notify Don Hunter. Reservations must be in not later than July 15. Make checks to Mr. Evans Hansell, 1374-26th Ave. San Francisco 22, Calif.

MT MCLAUGHLIN CLIMB the first climb of the season was real big 40 having reached the top. John Refsnider, Rhonda Johannis, Bob Dark, Mike Adams, Charla Eubanks, Tom Taylor, Mike Bray, Bob Bauman, Tom Bauman Frank Moore, Jon Rice, Joann Lynch, Betty Lynch, Gary Kirk, Kirk McLaughlin, Veneta Seal, Derald Humber, Ron Funke, Gregg Prior John L. Ebling, John R. Ebling, Harry Sorensen, Fran Jeppesen, Norm Hasel, Bob Hasek, Ken King, Paul Griffen, Lee and Bill Cooley, Rick Cravens, Clarence Landes, Jo Wesley, Lucy Schatinkirk, Earl Hull, C.L. Bridie, Roger Lesiak, Mike Johnson, Mel Jackson, leader.

Trip was made in clouds. Winds up to 70 miles per. Left camp at 3:50 a.m. Got on top 9 a.m. Couldn't find box account snow Back at base camp at 1:45 p.m.

BOARD MEETING all officers present. Bills allowed: Electricity \$18.90, Parking lot, \$200.00, Printing \$19.80, Paper, \$5.55, Tile, \$4.53, P.O. Box rent \$9 Moresco \$10 Balance before bills allowed \$ 901.80. Climbing school very successful with 70 attending. One man so pleased he sent in \$3. Resolutions for FWOC convention must be in to Don Hunter by June 20th.

J. MICHAEL McCLOSKEY, NW CONSERVATION REP.

As much as we would like to give you his full report to the Bulletin space does not permit, but here are a few excerpts. "Despite the "Treaty of the Potomac" between the Park Service and the Forest Service, jurisdictional problems between the two have arrived at a moment of decision at the Oregon Caves National Monument.. This monument of 480 acres is near the headwaters of Cave Creek. In the mid-50's the Park Service proposed expanding the area to 2910 acres and the Forest Service agreed, but Congress failed to act, and in 1959 the Forest Service reneged and logged some of the approaches to the Monument area. This past winter the F.S. has planned sales in the heart of the expansion area on upper Lake Creek. The Park feels that the source of water supply for the Park will be endangered by logging timber that has now already been sold, and the last chance for breathing space so desperately needed is gone unless timber can be traded for some other place. Mike suggests that letters giving your opinion would help.

OREGON SAND DUNES The State of Oregon has made it clear that they would deed Honeyman State Park to the National Park Service to the Dunes National Park.

ONE OF THE FIRST CONSERVATION ACTS to pass this Congress is an act making the Bureau of Outdoor Recreation responsible for the inventorying the Nations recreational resources, classifying them, and assisting states in setting them up. As a start a field office has been set up in Seattle. One study is of the Lost Forest area in Oregon near Fossil Lake. Another study is of a 100,000 acre swath along the Columbia River. Others include study of proposed dam sites on the Illinois and Minam Rivers. Mike suggests that letters on these two dams could and would help.

TRAIL VEHICLES The Mt Hood National Forest announced its closure plan for trail vehicles. July 1st trails along the Columbia Gorge, Eagle Creek, around Mt Hood, Bull of the Woods area and into the Mt. Jefferson Primitive area will be closed to such vehicles. Willamette National Forest rangers have shown they want 80% of the trails there closed. Evidence produced at the last legislature showed 10 National Forests have need for immediate attention but the last legislature failed to pass any legislation to control feeling that

this was primarily a federal problem.

YOUTH CONSERVATION CAMP program was put on a permanent basis by the last Idaho legislature in contrast to Oregon which has discontinued this program. J.M.M.

JOHN DAY BOAT TRIP completed by John and Lenore McManigle and their son, Rick, and Dorothy Towler & Bob Medill, according to their story, was very much enjoyed. They feel that this would make a real good annual spring outing for Obsidians. Something different. Thousands of Meadow Larks and all the other wild bird and animal life, the solitude, the excitement of running minor rapids, the camping out on the river banks and the immensity of the lava cliffs. Just think of the terrific amount of heat necessary to melt all that rock.

Prince Helfrich is making the run the week of June 10 to 15 and Obsidians going with him are Helen Weiser, Margaret Wiese Karl and Ruth Onthank, Frances and Keith Newsom. Sorry it there are other Obsidians going and not mentioned. The above names are all we have had given to us.

CONGRATULATIONS

Obsidians wish to express congratulations to members and friends who graduate this June: Keith Newsom and Stevco Hintz received B.A. degrees in Liberal Arts at U. of O.; Peter Gordinier, grandson of Helen Kilpatric, graduated from OSU., Sharon Brickley and Nina Harmon (granddaughter of Bob Medill), Springfield H.S. (Bobs grandson Charles Medill graduated from North Eugene H.S.-- Also Jim Freedenburg, Tim Hermack; from South Eugene H.S.- and Joe Frazier, Judith Johnson, Bob Lyon, John Dotson, and Sunny Hamlin (Myrtle's granddaughter) and Pat Gordinier, another of Helen K's grandsons.

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FOR SALE

LEEPER CHROMOLLY PITONS have been subjected to extensive and realistic tests, which have indicated the strength and holding power of their Z-section design. Pitons 50¢ to 70¢. Postpaid. Write to Ed. Leeper, 1731 1/2 Francisco, Berkeley 3, Calif. for test report and price list.

TRAPPER NELSON pack frame and bag. Medium size. Helen Hughes. Phone 4-6072

DRY FLIES WET FLIES The Hasek brothers,, Norman and Bob have taken a ten weeks research and training in the art of making. Give them your order. Phone 7-2458

SPECIAL NOTE The Chairman of the open House program received some criticism because names of persons who had contributed so much in time and money to the completion of the Lodge were not mentioned during the dedication ceremony. So that there is a complete understanding by all this was hashed out previously by those who had contributed and by the board that no mention of individuals would be made. There was so much contributed by so many that it would just about mean the reading of the whole membership list, even those who do not live here have contributed in money in lieu of time.

OPEN HOUSE AND DEDICATION was a big success by anyone's figures. People came from Portland, Vancouver, Salem, Corvallis, Oak ridge, Leaburg, Cottage Grove and other places. And they came and they came and they came. Don't know how many were there for the dinner in the evening, but we do know that we have a hundred chairs and they were all in use and others were sitting on blocks of wood and on steps outside. From the rostrum Margaret Markley, our President and Clarence Scherer, with water from the summit of the South Sister christened the building and all those who were nearby. Some of those too nearby got christened several times. The made over parking lot was much appreciated and helped a lot. Boy! Am I glad thats over. Ed.

RUMMAGE was another sucess bringing in \$130.35. Thanks to Nellie McWilliams for her leadership and direction and to all who furnished rummage, helped with the distribution Friday night and to all of those who helped with the sale on Saturday. Boy! Am I glad thats over. Ed.

CHEMICKETANS had nothing but praise for our housewarming on the 19th in a note to Ray Sims. Quote "We certainly congratulate you people on constructing such a fine club-house and we did enjoy the Obsidians hospitality in showing us around!" signed George LaBorde. R.S.

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HISTORY OF THE OBSIDIANS by Ray Sims part 7

On the Collier Glacier trip of August 26 1928, after lunch at the snout of the glacier, the 73 people hanging onto several hundred feet of rope, proceeded up the middle of the glacier to a large hole, which is the vent with the surface water pouring in, and the party formed a large circle where Marion McClain extolled at the marvels of a great glacier.

Two events resulting from the forming of the new club in the fall after the Ferry, Cramer fruitless search, was the search for a 13 year old boy hunter, Earl D. Pierce in the hills around Swisshome. More than 300 men turned out under the leadership of Joe E. Shelton, President of the Chamber of Commerce. His lifeless body was found near a log where his own gun had been discharged.

Then again on Sunday Dec. 9th the club was called upon to search for Fay Wilber, a young stenographer from the Eugene Guard office, who became lost in the woods near Siuslaw Falls, on a Sunday picnic, but she became lost from her girl companion and built a lean-to shelter as the rain started and the search under the leadership of J. Ed Turnbull and Henry Korn with about 75 men spread out in a line and she was found before noon, on Tuesday, having spent two nights in the dense woods, but besides being scared she suffered very little, but was a happy girl when found by George Bjorset and Charles Mitchell.

The first year has passed and the first annual meeting was held at the McMorran & Washburn's auditorium, Oct. 2, 1928, where a vote of the entire membership changed the name of the Eugene Out-door Club to "THE OBSIDIANS". A new medium was in Eug. (radio) and for the first time in public, K.O.R.E. broadcast the entire meeting, plus the reading of the Obsidian Chief's ritual. John Bovard was elected to serve as president for the second year. Other Board members were Henry Korn, Marion McClain, Dot Dotson, Percy Brown, Ed Turnbull, Arthur Hendershott and Ray Sims.

