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COMING EVENTS

SEP. 8-BLACK CRATER A very interesting easy climb just over the McKenzie summit. Leader.- Mac McWilliams.

Sep. 14-15 - Skyline Loop Trip. Take off from the Dee Wright Memorial and to Frog Camp. Jim Jeppesen, Leader.

Sept 14-15. Climb the Middle Sister with Tom Taylor.

Sep. 22-From Crescent Lake to Odell Lake by way of Trapper Creek. Call Sebrings for name of leader.

Sep. 21-22. Climb of Mt.Yoran. Mel Jackson will lead you. This ends the climbing season as listed on the schedule. If more climbs will be scheduled Bob Dark will let us know.

Sep. 29 - Florence by the sea. Donn Chase has something interesting over that way to show us. Donn Chase, Leader.

Oct. 6-Huckleberry Butte. Up near the top of the McKenzie Pass. The drive alone at this time of the year is well worth going for. Leader will be Frank Sipe.

Oct. 13-Loggers Butte. Upper Willamette above Hills Creek. Helen Weiser, Leader.

Sep. 14-Potluck at the Obsidian Lodge. This will be cruising down the Ohio and Mississippi Rivers. A movie by Jack Douglas of the TV program, "Across the Seven Seas" has been promised. Some slides will be shown by Bob Medill.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Rex, Shirley and Kent Stevens, 551 Shire Court, Eugene.

Mary and Lynn Moore, 1307 Darlene Ave., Eugene.

Robert J. Harland, 2214 Lariat Dr. Eugene.

Derald Himber, Rt. 5, Box 1308, Eugene.

Elliot, Kristan and Miss Marvell, 1740 Alta Vista Drive, Corvallis.

GOLD BOND STAMPS - When trading in your Gold Bond Stamps be sure to tell them you want receipts for the Obsidians and turn them over to Nellie McWilliams.

ANNUAL MEETING time is drawing close and again we will be voting on board members who will serve for three years. The nominating committee has given us a wonderful slate and one that makes voting very difficult. The nominees are all well liked and any three would be an asset on the board. So much so that we would like to vote for all six-However we can only vote for three and three are all that will be elected, but we are willing to bet that it will be a real close election.

Candidates for the coming election are:

Mary Castelloe	Gary Kirk
Frances Newsom	Clarence Landes
	Wm. Martyn
	Mac McWilliams

Those left on the board are: Robert Dark. Gene Sebring, Stan Hasek, Don Hunter, Mary Jo Johannis and Dorothy Towlerton. Meeting place will be at the Lodge Oct. 11

6:00 P.M. to 6:45 P.M.--VOTING

Then a potluck followed by business meeting. Bring your favorite dish and eating tools. Coffee and Cream and Sugar furnished.

SUMMER CAMP REUNION will be held at the Lodge, October 5th, 1963, at 6:30 p.m. This dinner will be catered by the Driftwood Restaurant and they will furnish all dishes and utensils needed. This is on Saturday. Bring your 10 best pictures. Cost: Adults \$2.50. Ten & under \$1.25. Reservations and checks may be sent to James Jeppesen, 1883 Labona Dr. 688-2598, or Nellie McWilliams, 810 West 26th, 345-1422 and must be in not later than Sept. 27th. This is imperative as the Driftwood must know by Sat. Sept. 28th, and not later. Make checks payable to Obsidians, Inc. SPECIAL will be three paintings by Myrtle Smith to be given to the holder of the lucky numbers. Proceeds from the sale of the numbered tickets will go to the purchase of equipment for summer camp. REMEMBER, Sat. Oct., 5th, 6:30 p.m. and reservations must be in Sep. 27th. Make checks payable to OBSIDIANS, INC. This reunion is open to all--MAKE RESERVATIONS.

NORTH SISTER CLIMB July 13-14-15

On July 13 we hiked to Minnie Scott Spring via the Scott Trail from the McKenzie Hiway. On July 14 we began climbing at 2:30 a.m. from Minnie Scott Spring. We followed the Skyline Trail south to Oppie Dilldock Pass. From here we climbed to Collier Glacier View Point and then traversed easterly over the terminal moraine for $3\frac{1}{4}$ mile to the top of the north ridge of the North Sister. We followed the north ridge $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles to Glisan Peak where we dropped down on the west side of the ridge. We put on crampons here and climbed a steep snow filled couloir which led to the base of the chute on the regular way. Bob Bauman and I went up the ice filled chute to the head of it where we estimated the angle of the ice to be 75%. While standing on this a piece of ice 12 inches in diameter broke off and fell 20 feet and struck me on the shoulder. I then decided it was too dangerous to take the whole party under the huge ice blocks of hanging ice. Bob Bauman and his brother Tom went on to the summit while I started the rest of the party back by the regular route to Sunshine Shelter and on the Skyline Trail to Minnie Scott Spring. Total time of the climb was 18 hours. The mountain was all fogged in with wind up to 75 miles and temperature about 35%. On July 15 we hiked out in nice weather to the Hiway. Bob Ashworth, leader, Bob Bauman, asst leader, Tom Bauman, Frank Moore, Charla Eubanks, Lee Burwell, Steve Moore, Greg Prior and Ron Funke.

MT FUJI July 13

Seven hikers left 19th and Patterson at the appointed time and picked up Les Cooper on Franklin Blvd. near Tiffany-Davis store. We arrived at the Gold Lake picnic area about 10 a.m. and soon were on the trail. We were surprised to find the Forest Service signs indicating $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles to the Lookout, but no one turned back. We enjoyed the warm sunshine and had a brief rest and snacks at Verde Lake then arrived at the Lookout about 2 p.m. The day was beautiful and the view included all the mountains in Oregon all the way to Mt Hood. Visitors on our trip included friends of Lorene Bressler from Nebraska. Jane Cirkseña teaches in a Eugene school and her mother and sister were visiting her here. We were most glad to have them along and more than glad that they completed the climb. A long one even for our experienced hikers. On the trip: Helen Hughes, Jane Hilt, Jane Cirkseña, Kay Cirkseña, Mary Cirkseña, Lorene Bressler, Les Cooper, Dorothy Towlerton, Ldr.

CASTLE ROCK June 30

We left the Park block at 8 a.m. by car traveling to Blue River. Then 5 miles east to a covered bridge across the McKenzie. Then turned left on King road 3 miles to a log road trail that leads to Castle Rock trail. We parked the cars at this point. WE got started hiking at 9:45 a.m. and reached the lookout at 1 p.m. It was partly overcast and cool. The trail was plain and good. There is good drinking water about 3 miles up. The sun came out at noon and many took pictures. We left the Lookout at 2 p.m. and arrived at the cars about 4 o'clock. There were many flowers in bloom, Rhododendrons, Candy Sticks. Its a very nice trip and as leader I enjoyed it very much. We saw signs of logging roads to be made in this area. Those on trip: Mark Holland, Art Johnson, Susan Wilkins, Dorothy Clark, Scott Van Fossen, David Lent, Keith Brunig, Robin Brant, John Wells, Kenneth Lodewick, Del Blattler, Dorothy Towlerton, Helen Smith, Mac and Nellie McWilliams, Mark and Robert Lemon, Steve Moore and Wanda Mountjoy.

MOUNT HOOD

This climb was scheduled for July 6 & 7 with the climb to be on the 7th and came off as planned. Camp was to be at Still Creek, but because of wet ground was moved to Phlox Point on the south side of Mt Hood. We got out of our bags at 2 a.m. & left Timberline Lodge, 37 strong, at 3:30 a.m. One of the party decided to turn back after $\frac{1}{2}$ mile. 36 of us continued on and the weather became worse. We followed Mazama tracks on up past Crater Rock and into the saddle. The weather only broke once or twice. On the saddle we met a Mr. Don Foster (age 16) whose friends had gone back. He asked if he might climb with and received our permission to do so. The weather now had turned into a bitter cold white out and 5 people decided to return. This left 32. We hurried on up and then down as fast as possible as all were anxious to get out of the weather. Arrived back at Timberline at 2:30. Climbers: Romey Armes, Gary Kirk, Mike Bray, Sidney Raines, Clarence Landes, Jan Vandever, Norman Oswald, Steve Moore, Kirk McLaughlin, Dick Foster, Floyd Bard, Chet, Tom, Bob Bauman, Margot Liefson, Norman Crowe, Charla Eubanks, Dorothy Arnold, Chapin Clark, Derald Himber, Herb Curl, Howard Byerly, Bill Brant, Norb Dey, Earl Hull, Lucy Shattenkirk, Ken Sherman, Rick Craven, Ted Mathis and Mark McLaughlin, lead

WANTED...Everything you don't want that you can't sell. Obsidian rummage sale soon

OBSIDIAN LOOP July 7

Arrived at Frog Camp about 9:30. The weather looked promising as we started on the trail, but after we passed White Branch it changed for the worse. Some turned back here and the rest of us started on. As we climbed up on the ridge we found patches of snow and after passing Camp Riley, we found more, so much that it was difficult to find the trail. It was finally decided to turn back. This was agreeable to nearly everybody and we returned to White Branch where part of the group returned to Frog Camp and the rest went on to Sunshine Shelter. On the way we encountered more snow. There we could see that it was just as well that we did not try to make the complete loop trip as there was much more snow beyond Sunshine. I would recommend that in the future this trip be scheduled later on in the summer. Wanda Mountjoy, Irving Jackson, Kay Fahy, David Lent, Myrtle Smith, Les Cooper, Ray Cavagnaro, Clarence Scherer, Lois Brooks, Marc Ellington, Bailey and Mary Castellloe Art Johnson, Susan Wilkins, Mr and Mrs Gene Pearson, and son, Herman Hendershott and two children, John, Leonore and Tick McManigle, Mr Bascom and 4 children and Nellie and Mac McWilliams, Leader.

A sequel to the above story is one in the last issue of Rat Tales, put out by the Hood River Crag Rats. Following are a few extracts.

"There will be 14 different stories by 14 different climbers about this trip. What started out to be the annual Crag Rat organizational climb of the North and Middle Sisters on the weekend of July 6th and 7th turned into a soggy, foggy, soaking, fatiguing, fagging and saturated trip. The forward party of 11 started out following lunch stop. The second party of 3 didn't quite approve of following the first party's tracks (when you could see them) so struck out on their own for the summit of the Middle. Shortly, however the second party soon came across the tracks of the first party heading toward the ridge on Middle. Some 3 hours later after groping their way all over the East face of the Middle the first party reached the summit with the second party within hailing distance behind them. The second party became tired of playing fox and goose with tracks in the snow and returned to the saddle. Here the fog lifted for a few seconds and they saw the tracks of the first climbers go down into the basin between the two mountains as if heading out to climb the North. The tracks made a large circle in the basin and came back up east of the saddle and headed up the

Middle Sister. Some of the first party actually thot they were climbing the NthS. After awhile the situation became hilarious for most of the climbers had been on both mountains many times and it seemed inconceivable that such a situation could ever exist.....

BLAIR LAKE AND MULE MT July 14.

Thirty-eight people including two babies left in 11 cars from the Park Block at 8 and Oak shortly after 9:00 a.m. We all met at a grocery store in Oakridge as several needed to make some purchases. From here all cars arrived at Blair Lake with none missing. The many dirt roads are poorly marked, or not at all. Two babies stayed with their mothers at the lake and the rest of us went on. Lunch stop was Made at a scenic spot where the old lookout used to be on Mule Mt. After lunch 10 went on with Mary Jo to the present lookout and the rest went back down to the Lake. The flowers were beautiful and plentyful, and brilliant. The sky sunny but with clouds that obscured distant peaks. On this trip were, Karen Seidel, Dorothy Clark, Mac and Nellie McWilliams, Barbara and Barbara Moore, mother and dtr. Ruth and Tanya Marble, John and Christh Teskey and baby, David Lent, Margaret Morris, Mark and Mary Castellloe, Mr and Mrs Robert Downie, Darrell Himber, Janet and Annette Cramblett, Mr and Mrs Ed Geus and baby, Virginia, Alison and Anne Wysong Nancy Brown, Clarence, Dorothy, Nancy, carol, Susan, Robert and Richard Scherer, Ray Brennenger, Lori Salvus, Ted and Mary Jo Johannis, Leader.

FRIENDS OF THE THREE SISTERS

A number of Obsidians were among the 100, more or less, people who enjoyed a long Fourth-of-July weekend with them on their Wilderness trip. Frank Riley with his horse and mule train again packed the dunnage and this time arrived at the two unnamed lakes near Irish Mountain before most of the hikers. The 5 mile hike in the area included one around Irish Mt, to McFarland and other lakes in the rain, and to the top of the mountain. Campfires were held each evening and two days of rain did not seem to dampen singin'voices or spirits. Speaking of spirits-one 4 year old insisted that he walk all the way in and all the way out. Thus ended another delightful and well-planned trip into wilderness area that we can be proud to have and which is set aside for the enjoyment of "outdoor" people.

POISON OAK Mac has been doing some spraying up there and the need for a lot more is great.

DO YOU OR DON'T YOU want to know who all were in summer camp? If you do read on. Frances, Carolyn & Pricilla Jeppesen from Roseburg; Henry, Anna, Jim, Clarice & Wee Jimmie Jeppesen; Grace Hinrichs; Gerry & Mike Fehly; Veda Gossler, Alson & Mike Spores; Myrtle Smith; Lynn & Mary Moore; Mac & Nellie McWilliams; Norman Benton; Henry Carlson; Joyce, Russell & Glen Emrick Robert, Anita & Delyn Dark; Margaret Weise Clarence, Dorothy, Nancy & Carol Scherer; Dorothy Towlerton; Ed, Bonnie, David, Janet & Debbie Trione from Corvallis; Glenn, Sue Chris, Sharon, Jeff & David Gordon; Hubert & Eleanore Bresslinger; Rex, Shirley, Kent Joan, Brad, & Laura Stevens; Anna Pechanec Bob Medill, Karla & Selma Vangsness.

To most of us, used to just one mountain summer camps, this camp was very confusing. So many mountains that to try and remember the name of them all was useless. The early birds that came to select the camp site after looking over all the various possible locations finally choose the one used as the best, but it was occupied by two big bus loads of people, but they told us that they would be leaving Monday morning, so we just sat around till Monday then put up the camp. There were so many places to go and so many things to see that we all want to go back there again sometime. The campfire program, getting off to a slow start because of so many distractions, really took hold when Dorothy Scherer got into camp and we had some exceptionally good ones. New talent was discovered, especially the Dr. Gordon family. The Brenninger's brought in so many huckleberries that we had them in our pancakes three mornings. And Selma lived up to the advertising, but outdid even herself when she made lemon chiffon pies and no lemons or lemon juice flavoring. She used Real Gold lemonade and they were the best yet. She made six pies at a time and we had them once each week.

Tom Bricher with his bride, Lou, visited us in camp one day having driven up from Great Falls where Tom is stationed with the Air-force. Another visitor was Grace Small from Eugene who was just hitch-hiking all over and knowing we were in Glacier Park that she would just hitch-hike over and see us. Trouble was almost every one was out on a trip and when the hikers got back to camp she had left.

YOU HAVE NOTICED in the last two issues of the Bulletin ads for Leeper pitons. At the Lodge is a report on these as well as pictures and other information about them and a number of order blanks.

MORE NAMES to go on chairs include Mary Jane Arpin, E.W. Arpin, Chief Appleknocker from Vera Heidenreich, and David Lent. This just leaves about ten chairs without a name. If your name is not on a chair and you would like to have your name on one you had better do so at once. This is the way the Board decided that we would have to buy the chairs and the plan has worked very well. If you cannot afford the five dollars for a chair don't feel that you are obligated to contribute.

SPECIAL MEETING of the Board was called for August 21. This meeting was attended by Bob Dark, Bob Medill, Dorothy Towlerton Stan Hasek, Don Hunter of the Board and Barbara Hasek, Jim Jeppesen, Frank Moore, Betty Boeshans. This meeting was called to try and figure out a way and means to have open house meetings of the board so all can sit in on the meetings. Of course visitors to Board meetings have always been welcome and a few now and then have turned out to attend, but not many. This will probably lead to Board meetings held on one of our regular pot-luck nights and probably quarterly. This action has been taken to see if you really do want to sit in. This will give everyone an opportunity to sit in and see first hand what goes on and also to voice an opinion on the more important questions. However, of necessity it will be necessary for the President to limit any discussion, or none of us would get home in time for breakfast. This plan will be put to you at the annual meeting to see what you all think of it. And if you show a desire to do it then the plan will be put on trial.

BACKPACKING IN THE NATIONAL FOREST is the name of the latest publication put out by the Forest Service. It is most complete in every way, telling one what to take in the way of pack equipment, food, utensils, clothing, sleeping and where to go from New Hampshire to the West Coast. Can be had from the Forest Service.

THE LATEST MESS at the Lodge consisted of two burlap bags full of beer bottles and cans. One box full of beer cans and a garbage can full to the top of not only broken, but pulverized beer bottles, so it has brought about the putting in of a gate & when any of you would like to go up to the Lodge call Bob Medill or some officer who has a key.

ANNUAL RENEWAL FORMS have been mailed to give you more time to fill them out. Please bring them to the annual meeting.

Hiked into Jeff Park via Sentinel Hills trail and logging road No 1044. Total distance by foot, $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles, 1500 foot gain in elevation. This approach to Jeff Park is much easier and faster (2 Hrs) than by way of Breitenbush Lake, especially coming out. No uphill. Arrived at Jeff Park at 10 p.m. July 3rd and made camp in the dark. Foggy weather. Started climb from camp at 3:00 a. m. in dark, damp and very threatening weather. We climbed to Jeff Park Glacier, via usual route, crossed glacier to N. W. ridge, between Russell and Jeff Park glaciers. Glacier quite smooth with many crevasses still covered with new snow. Going easy except for dense clouds which by this time have cut visibility to 100 yards. Traversed across face of headwall above Russell Glacier at about 8500 feet elevation and passed directly under Prehistoric Monster. Winds on this western slope hit approx. 80 mph in gusts. Had very difficult time in maintaining balance. All clothing wet due to cloud moisture. Under Prehistoric Monster 50% ice encountered requiring roped belaying. While putting on crampons, Dr Lemman had his pack blown, literally, out of his hands and down the mountain disappearing into clouds below. We moved from steep ice onto easy shoulder of N. W. ridge. Here freezing sleet was blowing horizontally across route causing frozen rime to form on windward side of rocks and climbers. Proceeded up ridge to col at top of Jeff Park glacier. With nothing but 100 foot visibility high wind and cold, tired and wet climbers here and very difficult rock pitch ahead, we turned back. Elevation reached 9800 ft. Hoped to climb via ice couloir on north side of N. W. ridge, but poor visibility and 70 degree soft snow stopped this attempt before we could even see said couloir. Returned to Jeff Park via ridge southwest of Russell Glacier. A fine route for easy descent from Jeff Park col. Glissaded to Skyline trail hiked two miles back to camp. Spent one more night and 12 hours sleep and had a leisurely hike out. Those climbing: Dr Craig Lehman, Dr Lou Krakouer, both of Corvallis. Don Thomas, U. of O. Bob Bauman, Mark McLaughlin, asst leader and Tom Taylor, leader.

PRINCESSES The Obsidian Princesses met at the home of their President, Lorena Reid, July 15th, for their regular monthly meeting. As this was a special meeting with all Obsidian women who are not princesses invited, there was no business meeting. The evening was spent visiting

and Florence Sims told how the Princess club was formed. As an introduction to everybody the Princesses gave their Princess names.

Those present were Mary Castelloe, Florence Fulton, Florence Sims, Myrtle Hamlin, Ethel Glaze, Dorothy Scherer, Nellie McWilliams, Catherine Dunlop, Thelma Watson, Natalie Morgan, Lorena Reid, Jane Hilt, Helen Kilpatrick, Barbara Hasek, Helen Hughes, Mary Kaneen. Guests were: Myrtle Smith, Kay Fahy, Mozelle Hair, Lillian Johnson, Gerry Fehly, Lorene Bressler, Erolene Martyn, Doris Lyon, Dorothy Towlerton, Mary Medill, Roxie Waldorf, Mae Cooper, Wanda Mountjoy, Dorothy Whitlock, Betty Hack, Anna Jeppesen, Mary Jo Johannis, Dean Patterson and Ruth Onthank.

The weather was very co-operative and we enjoyed sitting outside under a big shade tree on the patio. Lorena enjoyed showing us around. Lots of beautiful flowers and a wonderful garden. A berry sundae with lots of cookies, coffee and tea were served. Everyone enjoyed themselves and we hope to repeat this party again in the future. While there we heard that Adeline Adams had been in the hospital. We have heard since that she is doing fine. (Now she has fully recovered, Ed.) Natalie Morgan has had a trip to the hospital and we all hope she will be getting along fine.

NORTH SISTER July 13.

Started this one on Friday, in fact did Mt Washington in the morning. Hiked in past Sunshine Shelter and set up camp. Left at 6 the next morning and followed 6 people up, catching them on the pinnacle. The snow field was steep and we moved every other at a time. The chute was full of descending climbers so we climbed to our left, up a rock rib. It was interesting climbing and we should have had a piton or two for protection. We came down again and crossed the snow field again, it now being in the sun and very soft. We were back in camp by 5:30 that afternoon and out to Frog Camp at 7:30. Climbers: Clarence Landes, Dick Foster, Howard Byerly, Don Thomas, asst leader, Mark McLaughlin, leader.

INA FOSS writes that she is sorry that she cannot write to everyone. After spending the winter covering Mexico she headed north and kept going north as fast as the weather would allow until she found herself up in the Hudson's Bay area. She is now headed back this way and we may get sight of her some time this fall if we keep our eyes open.

RUMMAGE IS AGAIN BEING COLLECTED. 746-2908

MT JEFFERSON August 4

Camped at Jeff Park on the shores of Scout Lake. The Park at this time of year was at fullest bloom. Our climb started at 4 a.m. reaching White Water Glacier at 5:15. The weather was warm and snow being soft for this time of the morning. Came to a couple of interesting crevasses which we had to cross. The snow on the glacier was really built up, upon reaching the SE ridge one could step right off onto the ridge without climbing onto it. Ran into snow fields up to the saddle and the pinnacle was pretty well covered with snow and ice. Reached the summit at 1 p.m. The weather had a lot of cold wind blowing up and a few clouds forming up on the west slopes. But in general the weather was sunny. Returned to camp at 5:20 p.m. and everybody back out to their cars before dark. Climbing were: Ray Harris, leader, Jim Harrang, asst leader, Betty Harris, Ron Funke, Clarence Landes, Howard Byerly R. A. Foster, Harlan W. Lefeure, Charla Eubanks, Kirk McLaughlin.

THREE FINGERED JACK august 25

Left Birley Lake at 8 a.m. and back at Santiam Lodge at 4:30. Weather was perfect and everyone made it. Nice climb. Climbers Dr Norm Lee, Stan, Bob and Norm Hasek, Paul Griffen, Ted Mattiher, Steve Moore, John Krajauer, Lew Krajauer, Ken King. Dr Norm Lee, leader.

SILVER CREEK FALLS June 16

Left east Park block 9:00 a.m. in 4 cars met at south entrance to Park. All cars drove on to North Falls parking area. Mary Castelloe, her father, Harmon Pennoyer, and Myrtie Hamlin stayed at the South Falls so had a car to take drivers to the North Falls for cars. The weather was bright and sunny. Decided to eat our lunch on the trail so 12 of us started down the trail. Visited all the falls which we always enjoy to see. Flowers in abundance. Much Thimbleberry in blossom and fruit. Found a shady spot across the bridge for our lunch stop. Met many people on the trail, especially students. All arrived at the South Falls in good condition but thirsty. Those on the trail: David Lent, Bailey Castelloe, Ken Lodewick, Thelma Watson, Nellie and Mac McWilliams, Robin Brant, Del Blattler, Helen Weiser, Henry Jeppesen, Fred Gunz, Alice Gunz-Alta Dena, Calif-and Lois Gunz. Mary Harmon, Myrtie and Lois didn't hike. Thelma Watson, leader.

MATHIEU LAKES-YAPOAH CRATER August 10

Arrived at the McKenzie summit at 8:00 a.m. On the way up we left one car at the Scott Lake junction as we planned on hiking out on the Skyline trail where it comes out at the Scott Lake road. Found the Scott Trail a little hard to follow west from the Skyline Trail for a short distance. The weather was cloudy and damp at first, apparently it had rained during the night dampening the trail just enough to settle the dust. High clouds and fog kept coming in to obscure the view of the Sisters. This is a nice 10 mile loop trip. Was a dry trip this year. All the streams were dried up. Those hiking were: Mr and Mrs Derald Himber, Bruce and Bob Trotter, Berud Crezeman, Virgil Boekelheide, Helen Smith, leader.

CARL LAKE-HOLE IN THE WALL August 24-25

The leaders and Helen Smith, Dale, Mark and Martha Sebring ate their lunches at Santiam Lodge and hoped to help anyone not familiar with the area find their way in. We turned north at Suttle Lake junction for a good 20 miles, putting out Obsidian signs where necessary, until we reached the Cabot Lake road. We left our cars here and met one more of our party, Robert Cummings. The Trail then passes Cabot Lake which is two miles in and next Carl Lake which is five. We met the rest of the party here. Three school teachers from Sweet Home. After making camp, eating and some fishing we retired to our warm sleeping bags. It was about 8:30 when we headed north next morning over very interesting trail which affords almost continuous views of the surrounding wild area. After passing Patsy and Table Lakes and many unnamed pot holes we reached the saddle of Bear Butte. Two of the group from Sweet Home decided to forgo Hole-in-the-Wall because of blistered feet. The rest descended to Jefferson Creek and had eats. We then returned to camp, packed up and returned to our cars as a group.

This was a most congenial group even though we had hiked 21 miles Sunday which was a total of 26 miles for the two days. The Forest Service should be commended for the excellent condition of the trails and the new small out houses that were at Cabot and Carl Lakes. Helen Smith, Eunice Mickle, Marian Boise, Mary Sue Sinko, Robert Cummings, Dale, Mark, Martha, Virginia & Gene Sebrings, leaders.

REMEMBER-SEPT 3 & FINAL RESERVATION DATE..

HISTORY OF THE OBSIDIANS part 9

from the beginning

by Ray Sims

The first winter outing was held Feb. 22 & 24, 1929 at the cabins above Lost Creek Ranch, but the skiing and bob-sledding were held at the ranch. Ski races were the high light with prizes. The club was duly incorporated at a regular meeting held June 20, 1929 and had been issued by the Corporation Commissioner of the State of Oregon, showing the Articles had been filed on the 7th day of May 1929. There being 72 active members and 47 associate members at the time of incorporation.

Many ski trips, a paper chase, the North west ski meet, skiing at Crescent and Odell Lakes besides many strenuous hikes filled the following months. The plans of a second summer outing were again in the hands of Ed Turnbull and a scouting party crossed the McKenzie Pass and scouted the possibilities of a camp off of the Century Drive around the South Sister. A beautiful meadow was selected on Hinton Creek a half mile above the Skyline trail, west of the South Sister. On the 2nd of Aug. 1929, with transportation furnished by the Morris Chevrolet Company of Eugene, about 40 campers crossed the McKenzie Pass and drove thru Bend and past Devils Lake and turned off thru the Wickiup Plains to a place just south of the South Sister. There the packers met the party and escorted them into Camp Bovard, named after our President, John F. Bovard. Mr and Mrs Preston Lake again were our cooks.

HIKERS WHO PASS ON THE TRAIL

Deciding on a quiet three day hiking trip into Camp Sunshine, Ray Sims and Irving Jackson found little parking room at Frog Camp Saturday afternoon August 31. Thirty four Mazamas from Portland had driven down and the many cars from small individual partys was the reason. So on the Obsidian Trail which took the two more than four hours, first small groups of Mazamas passed by-then met Mel Jackson with a party of a dozen teenage girls from the local Y, who had spent a couple days in the Sunshine area climbing Little brother.

The next passers by was Walt Weber, (Chief Breezy Knees) his two sons and daughter-in-law from Medford who were to climb the North Sister. Then two boys and a girl from the Oregon State Mountain Club to climb the Middle. After reaching Sunshine camp, three University boys and a boy from the Washington University came

in to climb the North. Camping nearby were three men and two boys from Cottage Grove-two girls, Peggy Stone and Dorothy Blattney of the Trails Club were met. Paul Lafferty and son Bud were in to climb the Middle. The Mazamas climbed the North and then the Middle Sisters. Perfect weather was had. And these more than 50 persons who sought the peace and quiet of the Wilderness-and with new signs on all the trails-ONLY FOR HIKERS AND RIDING HORSES. But what rode into Camp Sunshine from the north but 4 HONDAS--fouling up the pure mountain air.

Ray Sims.

DAVID FAVILLE wanted to know if the Obsidians song was still sung. Dave and Catherine were gracious hosts to Ray Sims on his stop at Palo Alto.

AT YREKA Rays stop on his southern trip, he visited Ace and Reva Moore (Chief King Fisher) and (Princess Spotted Fawn) want the 1964 summer camp to be in the Marble Mts north of the Trinity Alps, and to please them, for the Obsidians to make a stop at their place and camp overnight in their back yard. They are going to send brochures.

MIDDLE SISTER July 28

This climb started from Scott Camp at 6 a.m. We started with 39 people, 37 reaching the top. Twenty-five Mazamas camped in the same area for a climb of the North. Our group had several very young climbers and they all reached the top. The group reached the summit (with the two exceptions) in 4½ hours. We were back at base camp by 1 p.m. Climbers were: Virgil, John, Emily and Ellen Samms; Ken King; Joel McClure; David, Bonnie, Ed and Janet Trione; Betty Harris; Judi Hurst; Don Buford; Ken Sherman; Nick McCarroll; Stanley Rushbrooke; Ross, Joe, Alice Knotts; Rex, Kent Steven; Joan, Betty Lynch; Peter Pomeroy; D. Holliday; Howard Byerly; Doug. David Spencer; Bill, Scott Martyn; Elliott, Chris Marvell; Derald Himber; Mark Ellickton; Joe Cole; Paul Griffen; Lynn, Mary Moore. Bob Dark, leader.

MT THIELSEN July 21

We left Diamond Lake at 3:30 a.m. and back at Diamond at 1 p.m. We had excellent weather and every one had a nice time. Paul Griffen, Frank Moore, Steve Schmidt, Jan Taylor, Dorothy Towlerton, Ed Lovegren, Howard Byerly, Earl Hull, Evon Hull, Ken King, Lucy Shattenkirk, Judi Hurst, Marc Ellington, Bob Hasek, Norm Hasek, asst ldr Stanley Hasek, leader.

BILLS ALLOWED at board meeting were:

Electricity, \$36.36--Mishlers for printing supplies, \$4.99--postage, \$27.50--Shelton-Turnbull for printing, \$59.05--Gate expenses, \$6.58.

TRIPS AND CLIMBING CHAIRMEN urgently request that all leaders get in their reports at once, account of annual meeting and necessity for auditing.

DON HUNTER gave a most interesting account of the FWOC Convention held at Asilomar Calif. The Board allowed him \$25 expenses which he turned over to the FWOC to go into the conservation fund.

JIM JEPPESEN gave his report on summer camp which showed that we operated well in the black this year.

FRANK MOORE of Youth Activities reported that the 3 Sisters climb scheduled for his boys was 1/3 successful. They climbed all but two of them.

MIKE McCLOSKEY our conservation representative has been quite busy having spent 13 days in June out of town and 27 days out of town in July on conservation business. Most of his out of town work these two months covered Washington, Idaho and Montana & Ore. One development that we will all be interested in will be the outcome of the Government investigation of the legality of the mining claims in the 3 Sisters area instigated by field work done by Mike.

COL. ROBERT M. LYON, who passed away Fri. Aug. 23, was interested in the Obsidians, and participated in many of our trips. He was preceded in death by a son Robert, who was president of the club in 1946-47; in whose memory the entry hall at Obsidian Lodge is dedicated. Obsidians extend their deepest sympathy to his family.

BETTY BOESHANS visited in Colorado this summer with her brother and sister-in-law--we regret very much to have to report the death of her brother while there and all Obsidians extend to Betty our sympathy.

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Jimmy Sims, son of Ray, is touring Europe this summer - we look forward to a pictorial report on his travels...

Joe Frazier, son of RG Assoc. Ed. Bob Frazier, is also "over there" and his letters are being published in Sunday editions...

Veda Gossler's daughter, Mrs. Marie Spores, received her Master of Science in Math degree from the U.O. Sat., Aug. 10...

Boyd Morgan received his Master of Science degree at the same time, and will be in charge of Physical Education at Sheldon High this coming school year...

Catherine Dunlop is Research Assistant in Biology at Portland State College; her address is 5021 S. E. Boise, Portland 6.

Jane Hilt and Blanche & Merle Bailey attended the Chemeketan summer outing this summer at Horseshoe Lake, Inyo Nat. Forest, in California.

Keith Newsom is Research Assistant in the Geography Dept. at U. of Wash. this year.

Scott Martyn is one proud boy. He has climbed to the tops of both the South and Middle Sisters this summer and has hopes of making the North. He is 8 years old.

Peter Pomeroy has gone to Balonga, Italy, where he will stay until September 1964.

Helen Weiser is home after gallivanting around over a good part of Brit. Columbia. Margaret Markley finally got home after going the long way around to get there. She, with her nephew, Mike Forrester, took an around the world cruise.

MT. JEFFERSON September 1

Started from Jeff Park at 4 a.m. and reached the summit at 12:15. Weather was good till about 2 p.m. when fog and wind came in. The wind was quite cold. We had no difficulty and everyone made it. Those climbing were: Stan Hasek, leader, Norm Hasek, asst. leader, Bob Bauman, asst. ldr. Bob Hasek, Ken King, Paul Griffen, Steve Moore, Fran Jeppesen, Charla Eubanks, Tom Bauman.

SEE YOU AT THE POTLUCK SEPTEMBER 14

Princesses - please watch for meeting notice

