



The OBSIDIAN

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COMING EVENTS

July 10 - Wildcat Mt. South of Upper Sam--
tiam and on Deer Creek Road. Helen Hughes.

July 11 - Iron Mt. A favorite Obsidian hike
with Frank Sipe leading.

July 17-18 - Obsidian Loop. Another favor-
ite one of our trips and this is for two
days with Rex Stevens leading.

July 18 - Skyline Trail from the McKenzie
Pass to Big Lake. Jim Jeppesen leading.

July 17-18 - Cape Perpetua. An overnight
Coast trip with Henry Jeppesen.

July 24-25 - Lowder Mt. via Walker Creek..
Another two day trip with Helen Smith,ldr.

July 25 - Erma Bell Lakes up the South Fk.
of the McKenzie with Helen Weiser leading

July 31 - Blair Lake and Mule Mt. by way of
Salmon Creek. Mildred Ball leading.

July 31-Aug. 1 - Waldo Lake via BlackCreek
Trail. Stan & Barbara Hasek leading.

Theres a big assortment of trips for July.
Should please everybody. Now for August.

Aug. 8 - Maiden Peak up near the Willam-
ette Pass. Chapin Clark, leader.

Aug 14-15 - Linton Meadows and Husband Lk.
Dale & Henry Carlson leading.

Aug. 15 - Vernonia Train Trip. As this will
necessitate getting your reservations in
to the leader, Leslie Cooper, in time for
him to notify the railroad management of
how many will be going this date has been
SET FOR NOT LATER THAN AUG. 5th. Mail Les
your reservation and check by then. If you
don't you will just have to take your
chances of getting on the train. And this
trip will definitely be August 15th.

August 21-22 - Crater Lake and Mt. Scott
Frances Newsom will be the leader.

August 28-29 - Skyline Trail from Marion
Lake to Pamela Lake thru Hunts Cove. The
leader will be Gene Sebring.

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Sept. 4-5-6 - Ollalie Trail north from
French Pete Trail past Lamb Butte & Horse--
pasture Mt. Helen Smith leads.

NOW FOR THE CLIMBS

July 17-18 - N. Sister with Bob Ashworth.
Middle Sister with Bill Martyn.

Mt. Hood from the north side. Jim Harrang

July 24-25 - North Sister. Charla Dubanks

July 24-25 - Mt. Washington. Ron Funke.

July 31-Aug. 1 - Mt. Jeff. Mark McLaughlin
July 31-Aug. 1 - Mt. Hood with Ed Trione.

Aug. 7-8 - Mt. Washington. Bob Bauman.

Aug. 7-8 - Mt. McLoughlin. Ray Harris.

Aug. 14-15 - South Sister. Gene Sebring.

Aug. 14-15 - Broken Top. Jim Jeppesen.

Aug. 21-22 - Mt. Thielsen. Stan Hasek.

Aug. 21-22 - North Sister. Bob Bauman.

Aug. 28-29 - 3 Fingered Jack. Bob Ashworth

Aug. 28-29 - Middle Sister. Steve Moore.

Sept. 4-5-6 - Mt Washington, South Sister
The Husband from Linton Meadows. Bill Rob-
inson and Frank Moore, leaders.

Sept. 4-5-6 - Mt. Jefferson. Leader to be
announced later.

Sept. 11-12 - North Sister. Mark McLaughlin

Sept. 11-12 - Mt Adams. Ldr to be announced

ENTERTAINMENT

August 23 - Louis and Roxie Waldorf will
be Host and Hostess on this date. Potluck
at the Lodge at 6:30. Louie and Roxie have
something up their sleeves for this night.

PRINCESSES

July 19 - Their regular meeting will be a
pot-luck picnic and will be held at Island
Park, Springfield. Time: 7: p.m. Cross
the Glenwood bridge into Springfield, turn
right at the horse and back under the

bridge and there you are.

WORK PARTY

July 24th. Mac has several jobs lined up
and needs help. Call Mac as to what tools
will be needed. Why not bring lunch and
stay all day. Its a nice place, July 24th.

BOARD NOTES

Bills allowed:



Arrowhead emblems.....\$20.44
 EWEB.....\$16.30
 Mishlers.....\$ 2.00
 Bulletin Postage.....\$12.00
 P.O. Box rent, yearly.\$ 9.00

Balance in checking account.....\$544.65

Bob Dark reported that the scheduling of more than one climb on a week end seems to be working out real well as all climbs are having about enough climbers each to make for good climbing. The North Sister climb was cancelled account of bad climbing conditions after crossing to the Red Ridge. A total of \$28.00 was turned in from climbing fees.

Bob reported that plans for the Mt. Rainier climb has been completed and that this climb will take place on July 24-25 with Mark McLaughlin, Tom Taylor and Bob Dark as leaders. (see item in another article). Three Fingered Jack climb canceled account no leader. The leader that had been chosen and who had agreed to lead it called the last minute and said he couldn't make it and this left no time to get another. Call Bob as soon as you see that you will be unable to lead as promised so he may be able to get a substitute.

Trips committee Chairman, Rex Stevens, reports that trips are being well attended. Account of Rex being up to his neck in personal business (this being his busy time) Clarence Landes has agreed to help out, so if you need to call about any trip, or leaders needing information call Clarence.

Mac has spread a lot of poison oak stuff around, evidence which can be seen by all the brown poison oak. Mac has some work at the Lodge that needs to be done and he has set July 24th as a work day and needs help (see item front page).

John McManigal is planning to take Boy Scouts down the Rogue via boats.

Frank Moore's Explorer Scouts has erected a flag pole at the nor' east corner and they have purchased a flag to be flown.

Ray Cavagnaro was given an order to purchase another case of plastic cups for use at the Lodge.

In memory of Art Hendershott, who was a Charter Member, \$10 was voted to go to the Scholarship Fund of the Eugene Hearing and Speech Center for underprivileged children.

Three new members were voted in having passed all requirements for membership. Their names are in another place in the Bulletin.

The need to write letters to Gov. Brown and the California State Highway Commission to protest the cutting up of the

Jedediah Smith Commemorative Redwood State Park was Stressed. The funds for the purchase of this area was donated by people from all over the United States to help in preserving some of these fine trees and then donated to the State of California as a Memorial to California's war dead and was to be maintained forever as such.

The above will make people think twice before contributing to such causes. Write.

ON SIGNING UP

The importance of signing up for trips has been brought to your attention before and will do so again. The failure to sign up has, in the past, led to the leader canceling a trip when there has been people show up to make the And this will happen again. It is very important to the leader to know who all want to go, who wants a ride, who can take passengers. And it is specially true with leaders of climbs. It may be a climb up a particularly difficult route and the leader should know in advance who is going. There is no excuse for not signing up. If it is not possible to go down to Gilberts to sign up then call the leader. Call the leader several days ahead of time if you can.

FOR SALE

Climber is moving and has the following for sale.

One pack.
 Two sleeping bags.
 One canteen.
 One pair crampons.

Bob Dark has this gear. Can be seen at his office 410 - 14th Ave east any day 8 to 5.

NOTICE CLIMBERS

The Mount Rainier climb will be July 24-25. Check Gilberts Bulletin Board for details. Leaders will be Bob Dark, Mark McLaughlin and Tom Taylor.

SUMMER CAMP

Reserved area where we will be by ourselves is assured. Arrangements for food on an almost daily basis has been made which will give us an abundance of fresh foods.

Dave Faville who is well acquainted with this area has sent in a list of trips that he recommends and things to do and see.

There is ample parking for trailers and cars just $\frac{1}{2}$ block from the camp site.

Dead-line for sign-up is July 15th. Don't forget. July 15th.

NO BULLETIN IN AUGUST

August being the month when all who are able will be in Summer Camp there will be no issue during this month. This has been past practice over the years.

SEPERATION CREEK flows between the Husband and Wife, this the name.

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ARTHUR HENDERSHOTT

* It is never an easy task to announce *
 * the passing of a member of the Obsi- *
 * dians. It is especially difficult to *
 * have to do so with the death of Art. *
 * Art was a charter member and took an *
 * active part in the organizing of the *
 * Club. Of late years he did not get *
 * out much but whenever donations were *
 * asked for, Art was always ready and *
 * willing to do his part. Altho he did *
 * not come out very often, his death *
 * will be felt by all. Chief Mudhen. *
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THRU THE VIEWFINDER.....

BRIAN CANNON, undergraduate from U.O. has been selected as one member of the U.O.'s Anthropology trip to the Alaskan Peninsula to carry on studies this summer.

BOB MEDILL has just completed his fifth run down the John Day River with his sons, daughters, in-laws and outlaws and some of his grandchildren. This has developed into an annual family vacation tour. He reports that this year there were three boats and indications for next year there will be 5.

GLEN SIMS

THELMA WATSON

KAY FAHY

BLANCHE BAILEY all have taken a trip that has not been scheduled by the Trips Committee, but seems to be becoming quite popular and that is to the Sacred Heart Hospital. Could it be the pretty nurses? Or could it be the handsome internes? Or maybe both. Perhaps the Trips Committee should include a trip to the hospital next year on their agenda.

MARTHA BERKEY has been admitted to Grinnell College in Iowa where she will enter this coming fall.

HELEN HALL SPENCER, daughter of Douglas & Amy Lou, was the youngest ever admitted to the Obsidian Lodge, having attended Summer Camp Rally Night. Being under the influence of the bottle she hardly knew where she was.

TO PRESIDENT BILL MARTYN . . . Our deepest sympathy, on learning that his father in Ohio passed away this spring. Bill was able to see him just before the end.

PAT AND DEAN PATTERSON were down in Long Beach, California. Pat's mother died last week. Our sympathies to you, Pat.

FLORENCE FULTON. In last months issue we forgot to mention that Florence was also down in San Francisco kicking up her heels along with Helen Kilpatrick.

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NOTE: 27th Street is closed for road construction - to get to the Lodge, follow Spring Blvd. all the way. However, this won't stop the WORK PARTY set for Saturday, JULY 24.

MIKE McCLOSKEY is out of the matrimonial race, having recently been married to Miss Maxine Johnson, a member of the Portland State College staff. They are honeymooning on the Colorado River Grand Canyon.

Mary Castelloe - All Obsidians extend to you their deepest sympathy in the death of your brother, and to Harmon Pennoyer in the loss of your son. Mary had just returned from Coronado, Cal., where she visited with him a few days before his death. Captain John Pennoyer, Retired U.S.N., and his wife Lucia and daughter Cecilia Anne, were recent visitors at a Christmas Party at the Lodge.

RHONDA JOHANNIS leaves for Ft. McClellan, Alabama, for four weeks active duty in the 9th annual WAC orientation class. She will be sworn in as cadet corporal WAC Reserve.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Beatrice M. LeFevre, Creswell, Sr. Active

Robert Carter, Oakridge, Sr. Active

Cindy Wade, Junior Member, Wenatchee, Wn.

PRINCESS DOINGS

12 Princesses were treated to a delightful dessert and interesting pictures by Hostesses Olga Mortensen and Florence Fulton, at Florence's home June 21. The dessert was lemon bisque and pictures were from the recent Senior Citizens' trip to San Francisco, enjoyed by Florence Fulton and Helen Kilpatrick. Business included decision to go ahead with floor covering in the Lodge kitchen and rest rooms; presenting of \$25 profit from the Tupperware party by Dorothy Towlerton who took care of collections and delivery; scheduling a picnic for July 19; acquiring matching sugar and creamers for the Lodge; and the report on our GOLD BOND PROJECT as follows:

GOLD BOND STAMP PROJECT

Nellie McWilliams reported a total of 10,090 points, which she sent to GOLD BOND headquarters with a request for four THERMOS COFFEE SERVERS to be used at Obsidian potlucks. (These have since arrived, and one was used at the July 4th picnic). . . . Again we say thanks to all who have and will continue to contribute.

MT. THIELSEN June 19-20

Weather perfect. Left Diamond Lake at 6:30 A.M. All members of party on summit at 11:30. Returned to cars at 4:30 P.M. Considerable snow in the timber. Climbers: Jack Whitney, Joe Knotts, Gerald Cartnell, Geri Bechtle, Richard Becker and Leader Chapin Clark.

SEATTLE MOUNTAINEERS RULES ON BEHAVIOR

Recently adopted by their Board of Trustees. These have been standard practice by the Obsidians from inception of our Club, but will do no harm to repeat them.

- 1-Campfires must always be extinguished.
- 2-Litter, paper, cans, Garbage must be burned or carried out.
- 3-Private property must be respected.
- 4-Dogs must not be brought onto Mountaineers premises or taken on Club activities.
- 6-Lodge Rules regarding smoking must be adhered to. (don't know what their rule is covering this, but we have always been lenient in this respect).
- 7-U. S. Forest Service and National Park regulations regarding campfire permits and smoking in the forests must be followed strictly.
- 8-Alcoholic beverages (including beer) must not be brought onto Mountaineers premises by members or guests, or used on any Club activity from the time of leaving home until return. Any violation will be grounds for expulsion from the Club.

Another rule they adopted was that no guest may attend more than two Club trips, or Lodge events in one year. This does not apply to reciprocal guests.

CATALOGS AT THE LODGE

From Germany lists nylon and perlon bergseile, Reepschnur, eisenpicel, steigelsen, sportblusen mit hirschornknöpfen, walkjan-ker, lederbundhosen, schlafsacke, leichtzelt, strumpfe und strumpfhosen. und sonderklasse, schuhes, rucksackes und you mention it mit. Name und adressenscraphf. Sporthaus-Schuster, 8 München 2, Rosenstrass 5. I'm tired, you read it.

ANOTHER CATALOG

The Smilie Company, 30 Jessie St., San Francisco 94105 has sent us theirs. Just about everthing one could think of for the outdoorsman.

ACCIDENTS IN NORTH AMERICAN MOUNTAINEERING

The Obsidian Club has received two copys Only one death from climbing in Oregon is listed and this took place on August 2nd, on Saddle Mountain in North Western part of the state when 3 boys were climbing up a perpendicular face and one slipped and fell to his death. This is pretty good when one considers all the climbing that is done in this state. Copies can be obtained by sending 35¢ to:

The American Alpine Club, 113 East 90th st., New York City 28, New York.

MALHEUR WILDLIFE REFUGE May 29-30

Left Eugene about 8:30 a.m. Saturday, May 29th, arrived at Headquarters 4:45 p.m., in time to find Mr. John Scharf, head of
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the Malheur Wildlife Refuge and be shown to our "quarters", which consisted of an old farmhouse with a Home Comfort range, table and chairs, living room and two "bed rooms"---and an open field for pitching tents. Ten in the party; Helen Weiser, Bea LeFevre, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Trotter, Mr. and Mrs. Knapp, (Portland), John Wells, Margaret Markley and her nephew, Mike Forrester. Mike and Margaret stayed in Burns and joined us at 8:00 Sunday morning.

Mr. Scharf invited the group to view pictures of flowers and birds and animals of the refuge, shown by and suggested that we drive out early on the Cole Island Road, which goes into the central part of Malheur Lake---we did this and it was very productive---arrived back at headquarters in time to join the guided caravan down the central dyke road. The biologist, Mr. Deubbert, alternated from car to car so that everyone had the benefit of his knowledge. Stopped for lunch at Benson Pond, saw mallard nest in crotch of tree, night-hawk, longbilled marsh wren, yellow throat weasel with a mouse, etc. On to Frenchglen via the old "P" ranch and Page Dam campground. Mule deer were sighted several times

The party divided here and each car to their own devices. Margaret and Mike went to Fish Lake---finding wonderful flower displays. The Trotter-Knapp car went as far as Lily Lake finding lots of flowers. Our car indentified approximately 70 different species of birds.

Suggestion: If trip could be planned a few months in advance, and better shelter reserved at headquarters the trip might be a little more pleasant. However with Burns only 31 miles from headquarters, these not wishing to camp can find motel and restaurant facilities there. Frenchglen Hotel (34 miles, partly bad roads) is a little too far if the party is to make use of the help biologists can give from headquarters

Note; John Wells (in leaders car) was quite sick a portion of each of the three days. Dean Patterson, leader.

MT. HOOD June 5-6

We camped at Still Creek just above Gov. Camp. The weather was quite warm and clear

We had planned to climb the Wy'east route but due to the uncommonly warm weather when we got up at midnight we climbed the regular route instead. We left Timberline Lodge at 2 a.m. The snow was firm and the going good in a slight breeze. We arrived on the summit at 8 a.m., The first party on the summit. There were many climbers on the mountain, but we had no trouble with con-
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gestion or delays. After a calm, clear hour on the sunny summit we started down. We gave first aid to a skier who had climbed to the bottom of Crater Rock to take pictures. He had taken off his skis and slipped on the hard ice, Sliding over 1000 ft. He sustained only bruises and cuts. It was a good climb with all 7 starters making the summit. Climbing were: Bob Ashworth, Bob Carter, Bob Dark, Derald Himber, Larry Vaughan, Ed Lovegren, asst. ldr. and Rom Funke, leader.

THREE FINGERED JACK June 5-6

After leaving Eugene at around 1 in the afternoon the group met at the turn off and hiked the 2 miles into the base camp at Booth Lake. There was much snow on the ground, but the trail was followable and there was enough bare ground at Booth Lake for all people to camp off of the snow, though on the way in it looked like camping spots would be around the base of trees. The group got an early start. Left camp at 20 minutes to 8. Cal Crawford and son Paul had wet feet and was tired so remained in camp. The 9 climbers then left camp and hiked up Jack Butte. Sometimes on snow, sometimes not. The mountain its self was dry of snow and we reached the summit by 1:15. The weather was warm and nice with just enough wind to keep the mosquitoes away. The summit seems more broken up than last year. Found a few loose rocks on the way up. Trip down was fun and easy getting back to camp at 5. We then packed and went out to the cars in 1 hr. and 15 min. Home at 11. Climbers were: Cal Crawford, Steve Ross, Eleanor Dart, Clarence Landes, Kirk McLaughlin, Tom Taylor, Chuck Berkey, Burt Fein and the leader, Mark McLaughlin.

MT. WASHINGTON June 27

This climb was originally limited to 9 people for an ascent via the west ridge. However, due to the failure of certain climbers to sign up, 13 attended this climb only 6 of which were signed up. I would like to suggest that a notice be placed in the Bulletin and at Gilbert's Shoe Store stating specifically that all climbers must sign up ahead of time and that on climbs which are limited, each climber must sign up with the leader personally. Camp was made at Big Lake Sat. among the mosquitos and by 11 everyone was settled down for a short nap. At 3 a.m. Sunday everyone was given the "5 Minutes till climbing time" notice and by 4 we were on the trail. By 7 our 13 climbers had reached the saddle. At this point we split up into 2 parties. Seven people, with Ron Funke in the lead, started up the regular north ridge while 6 of us set out to do the originally planned

route. We started up the west ridge in 3 ropes of two. The route consisted of two 4th class leads to the top of the ridge, a 300 foot scramble to the "notch" and then 2 more 4th class leads. From here another 300 foot scramble put us on the summit. The first rope reached the summit in 2 hrs. and beat the north ridge rope. By 10:30 everyone had reached the summit and after a little while we all went down via the west slope. Those climbing the N. ridge; Cindy Wade, Lucy Schattenkerk and four others unknown due to failure to sign up. Those climbing the west ridge were: Ellen and Osa Thatcher and Steve Moore. Rope leaders on the W. ridge were Bill Robinson Tom Bauman and Bob Bauman, leader.

MT. JEFFERSON June 20

The party of 8 left Eugene at 7:30 a.m. June 19th. We traveled in two V W's and arrived at Marion Forks in just 2 hours. After a bite to eat we proceeded to the road end at trail to Pamela Lake. Started hiking at 10:35. After an hours hike to the lake we started up old abandoned trail that goes up hill to east of lake. In about 1 hour we broke out of the brush and were in snow. We climbed until 4:45, then stopped on ridge to spend the night. Our camp was at about 8500 feet. We got up at 1 a.m. Sunday to finish the climb. The moon came up fast as we got up. We started up at 2 a.m. and reached Red Saddle neath the pinnacle at 4:10. The pinnacle was solid ice and we did not get on top until 7 a.m. It was clear, not too windy and warm when out of the wind. After much digging, we gave up on trying to find the summit box. After a bite to eat on the Red Saddle we got back to high camp at 11 a.m. Rested till 12 then back to cars by 3. Stopped in Marion Forks again then home by 6. This was an excellent party. The leader did not hear one single complaint on the whole trip. Climbers: Tom Bauman, Bob Carter Ed Lovegren, Steve Moore, Kirk McLaughlin, Ellen Thatcher, Osa Thatcher and the Leader Bob Dark.

MT. ST. HELENS June 13

After camping in the Spirit Lake camping area Sat. night we arose next morning to find the mountain alive with people. After some trouble getting our group together (between 4 and 6, we left the upper parking lot for the mountain with 11 climbers, It was a beautiful sight with the sun shining bright and clear all the way to the summit. The only problem was the normal route up the Dog's Head was full of climbers. Our estimate was approximately 200. Upon reaching the Head's face and snow we put on

crampons and roped up. This was the story from this approximate 5000 ft level to the summit at 9671 ft. The east side route proved interesting as we crossed several nice crevasses, a couple of snow bridges until we reached the standard route above the Dog's Head. Clouds, fog, mist and what have you covered us and the mountain 90% of the time for the balance of the climb. With 4 ropes climbing it was difficult to make sure the last rope was staying with the group. Upon reaching the summit with 8 of the party we decided that the last rope had turned back due to illness as one of the members indicated he might not make it. This was approximately 2 p.m. Upon returning to the false summit we found two more of our climbers who finally decided to come on after being assured by the sick climber that he would be O.K. until we returned. Two ropes went back to the summit with the late party and the others continued down to find the sick member. The summit book was signed by all, except the sick member who returned safely to the car, where a tired group of climbers piled into their cars about 6 p.m. and headed for Eugene. Summit certificates awarded to: Kent Stevens, Brad Stevens, Eleanor Dart, Steve Moore, Clarence Landes, Mark McLaughlin, Abigail Calkins, Cal Crawford, Don Penrose Rex Stevens, leader.

PORTLAND ZOO June 13

The leader and his family arrived at the Bark Block at the appointed hour of 8 a.m. and waited for 15 minutes for someone else to appear. When no one did we left for the Portland Zoo, arriving at 10:30. We decided to go to the O.M.S.I. adjacent to the Zoo, where we ran into Stan, Barbara and Bob Hasek who had been up for the Rose Festival. We then drove to Washington Park for a picnic lunch. After lunch we took the Zoo Train to the Zoo where we stayed until about 3:30. Just as we boarded the train for our return to the car the rains came. Perfect timing. We returned to Eugene 6 pm. This is a good way for a family to spend a day. Those on this trip were: Bill Martyn, Leader, Erolene Martyn, Scott Martyn and Elaine Martyn.

FAIRVIEW MT. June 6

14 adults and 5 children made the trip to Fairview Mt. in Bohemia country. The weather was perfect for hiking and viewing as we ascended the last mile of road to the top on foot. Returned to the cars in the saddle for lunch, and then went down to the old Musick Mine to explore the tunnel and look for pieces of bright yellow rock. Flower lovers also came into their

share of rewards - everything from rhododendrons to no-see-um type flowers blooming. Altho the last 6 miles of road up the mountain is very steep, all 5 cars made it without engine or brake failures, but my brakes were sure pouring forth the smoke. Those successfully completing this non-qualifying trip were: Mary & Mark Castelloe Viola Gordon, Hansi Sachse, Tom Dahle, Bob Cox, Larry Ross, Hazel Northrop McLean and sons - Vic and Doug., Lois and Harry Wesley Joan and Lee Sand, Keena Northrop and sons Steve, Jim and Mike and the leader Robert Northrop.

HARDESTY MOUNTAIN June 12

A wonderful, never-to-be-forgotten day of relaxation and tranquilization was experienced Sat., June 12th when 12 people left Eugene, from Patterson & 19th parking lot for the Patterson Road on the Willamette Hiway east of Lookout Point. We had our doubts about the weather inside Pandora's box and departed at 8:30 a.m. reconnoitering at Lookout Point where we were joined by 3 from Winston, Ore., increasing the number to 15. Along the Patterson road we found patches of fog obscuring the view but vivid rhododendrons peek-a-boo-ed as we proceeded and the fog dispersed as we neared the summit of the pass where Willamette Forest District bounds Umpqua Forest. A short stroll through a logging cut brought us to a serene trail where bonny spring flowers presented their glowing hues and smiling faces; climaxed by a picturesque garden at the cozy lookout snuggled in flaming reds and pinks of wild currant and rhododendron, punctuated by the white of blossoming service berries. Small flowers, viburnum, bleeding heart, solomon seal, paint brush, johnny-jump-up, a lavender dog tooth violet-promenaded thruout the area. All along the way harmonics of camera shutters accompanied the bird sonatas. We lingered over lunches while the fog dispersed and a cosmorama of our own valley, towns, the Lookout Lake and the beloved mountains of the Cascades arranged their own tableau for an enraptured audience. Two hours was too soon to leave this sunshiny magic world which blesses those who rejoice in the elements - wild or serene - and "look unto the mountain" for strength, refreshment and inspiration. Those are the days to be remembered when all else has faded into insignificance and these memories belong to: Mildred Ball, Manfred Bauer Helen Hughes, Art Johnson, Bea LeFevre, Dorothy Manning, Frank Manning, Lucy Poole Duane Metzel, Lucy Schattenkerk, Helen Smith, Lois Schriener, Margaret Wiese, Susie Wilkins and Dorothy Towlerton, Ldr.

TIDBITS MT June 6

On June 6 twelve hardy bushwhackers pushed their way thru rhododendron thickets to find an old trail and make a successful assault on Tidbits Mt. Advance scouts, Dorothy Towlerton, Helen Smith and Bob Cox fanned out and located the old Calapooia Way Trail on the ridge directly west of Tidbits. One large blow-down was found across the trail. Two bare knobs on this trail afforded salubrious views in all directions, as well as some good rock-hounding. A few snow banks quenched our thirst for we found no creeks on this trail. The last quarter mile was a veritable rock garden of flowers as was the pinnacle itself. A sunny day afforded views and opportunity for good sun tans. Directions for going to the logging unit where we parked our cars defy description. Spur logging roads take off in all directions. The forest Ranger at Sweet Home sent me both detailed maps and directions of the route. Round trip hike was $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles, altho it seemed longer to some because of the rough going. I definitely recommend that it be considered qualifying. Distance by car was about 160 miles round trip. Those going on this trip were: Bob Cox, David Lent, Helen Smith, Dorothy Towlerton, Frances Chapman, Janet McKee, Gordon Fish, Russel Fish, Lucy Poole, Randy Fish, Betty Metzler and Margaret Markley, leader.

GRAND CANYON

Is in imminent danger, being threatened by two huge power dams. Bridge Canyon Dam, below Grand Canyon National Monument would back up water for 93 miles, flooding the entire length of Grand Canyon Monument and 13 miles into Grand Canyon National Park. The Marble Gorge Dam, above Grand Canyon National Park would back water to the foot of Glen Canyon Dam.

Dr. Bradley, Assoc. Professor of physics at Colorado College, writes that the situation is very grave and further says, "It will take nothing short of another mandate - perhaps another million letters to Congressmen to save Grand Canyon from wanton destruction."

The Wilderness Society points out that Dr. Bradley's article on the proposed dams is timely because of the likelihood of early Spring hearings by the House & Senate Committees on Interior and Insular affairs on the Lower Colorado Basin Project which could authorize the two dams.

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC, July. Mount Kennedy climb is most interesting. One article by James Whittaker, who climbed Everest, has been to the top of Rainier 54 times. Also a good answer to why men climb mountains.

SURVIVAL CLASS, JUNE 2ND

Twenty-five people survived this session and through discussion indicated their awareness of the possibility of getting lost, and had some idea of how to cope with the problem.

"Care of your feet" was stressed as most important. Food came second.

"Ick" was commented loudly, when lizards and snakes were mentioned as food possibilities. Incredulous glances followed the comment that any flying bug brought into your candle light was the source of high fat content.

Individual fears were termed important enough to pack your survival kit to allow for it. This would include pills for purifying water, and a snake bit kit for those who fear snakes. Even if not used, the reassuring psychological effect would be worth the space in the kit.

The possibility of having a survival trip was mulled over, but nothing concrete came of it.

We concluded with the thought that numerous wild items should be just tasted -- not initially relied upon, so that we could become familiar with its taste in a fun way, before being brutally exposed to it.

- Next episode - "What's In The Pot".

Bob Cox

JULY THE FOURTH

Twenty people enjoyed the hospitality of Art and Betty Herron and the dinner under the huge spreading cherry trees. After dinner was over the party went to the top of Emerald heights Butte and watched the fireworks over in Eugene. When everyone was back Bob Medill showed 400 feet of movie of his river trip.

FRIENDS OF THE THREE SISTERS WILDERNESS

Sunny skies favored the annual trip into Park Meadow on the northeastern slopes of Broken Top for the annual 4th of July 3-day excursion. Hikes were to Bend Glacier, Golden Lake, The Squaw Creek Falls, plus shorter treks by individual and small groups - flower excursions revealed many varieties of the early spring flowers. Camp fire sessions presented a number of prominent naturalists, biologists and a telescope was set up for looking at the moon. Mosquitoes wine and dined at everyone's expense, but failed to dim the enjoyment of the trip. Some ninety-plus adults and children brot the count to 119. Distinguished visitor was Knut Faegri from Bergen, Norway, who is Oregon State University summer faculty -- He was the guest of Dr. Storm.

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KEITH & BESSIE BRUNIG have just returned from vacationing thru Calif. & Nevada.

HISTORY OF THE OBSIDIANS

by Ray Sims

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The 1933 Obsidian Summer Camp was held at Camp Scott - AND during camp - THE MOST INTERESTING PHENOMENON happened. I was Chairman of the Outing Committee, but because of my job, I turned the chairmanship over to Harold Trotter after getting out the prospectus. Other members were Tony Vogel and Carl Young.

During the first week, Harold led the climb of the Middle Sister and Dot Dotson led a party to the South Sister, camping overnight on a grassy meadow "down in the Separation Creek drainage", Then climbing by way of Lost Creek Glacier.

On the week-end Ray Sims came in and led 31 up the North Sister, five from camp, Stan Crouch, Glen Sims, Raleigh Wildman, Delmar Jeans, and Eugene Northrop climbed the Middle, then catching Ray's party on the North.

About this time THE UPPER MCKENZIE RIVER BEGAN TO RUN WITH A SCARLET RED COLOR. Excited word from "civilization" sent members of the camp scurrying towards South Sister to see the source of this phenomenon. It was found that Skinners Glacier terminal moraine had broken and had let several million gallons of water down the mountainside, draining great quantities of RED LAVA ASH into Separation Creek, (right where the So. Sister party camped) and thus down Horse Creek then into the McKenzie River, causing it to run red for several days. The scouting party found large boulders and great blocks of ice strewn down Separation Creek - but this was NOT THE END OF THE STORY. The next time we climbed the South Sister - out in the middle of the crater was a gaping HOLE where the water had been a few years before. (I have a picture of it). And now this meant that THAT HOLE WAS 5000 FEET DEEP AND THE WATER WENT OUT SKINNER GLACIER. This did not affect the Blue Lake.

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THE OREGON CASCADES AND YOU

Is the title of a 3 page leaflet that was circulated by Don Hunter at the board meeting. It contains a lot of pertinent facts that shows just how fast we are losing what we have considered in the past as permanent and indestructible.

This article tells how much and how fast we are losing what in the past has been given to the people with promises that it would remain as is for people of all time to enjoy. It goes on to say how the trail systems are not receiving their legitimate share of monies appropriated for "roads and trails" is more and more, being used for roads. How trails are being severed more and more by logging patches until the disjointed ends can no longer be found. How the "Way Trails" once established by the 3 c's has been allowed to disappear under the policy of more and more roads.

The article tells of how mining laws allow the digging of prospect holes and their resulting refuse piles can go on and on until 1984. And material which once had no market value is being more and more used in building material, etc.

Most trail improvement seems to be directed to trails that allow vehicular use.

There are four organizations organized primarily for conservation in Oregon. The Oregon Cascades Conservation Council. The Friends of the Three Sisters. The Pacific Northwest Chapter of the Sierra Club and the Federation of Western Outdoor Clubs associate membership, Lake Oswego, Oregon. Four outdoor clubs that contribute to conservation are Chemeketans of Salem, Mazama of Portland, Trails Club of Oregon, Portland and the Obsidians of Eugene,

Write. This is our best weapon and about the only one we have. Write to the Forest Service. Write to our Senators. Write to our Congressmen. Write to the Secretary of the interior. But write and let them know how you feel. They all want to know and do appreciate you writing them.

