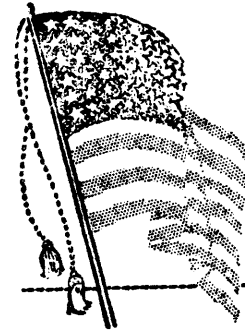


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TRIPS

- July 15 - Sat. Some where south of Diamond Peak. Lee Hatch leads.
- July 16 - Sun. Sourgrass Mtn. Up south Winberry Crk. Bob Holmquist.
- July 15-16 Batchlor Butte. Parker Riddle and Marge Brittain. Double Hdr.
- July 22 - Mart'n Lake. A new trip into the Santiam. Clarence Landes.
- July 23 - Sun. Berley Lakes. Also in Santiam country. Bob Cox leads.
- July 22-23 Obsidian Loop. Two days with Mary Bridgeman leading.
- July 29 - Sat. Marion Mtn. Another Santiam trip. This time Al Lynch.
- July 30 - Sun. Bristow Prairie. Look who is leading! Edna Temple.
- Aug. 5 - Sat. Olallie Lookout. It's up the East Fork McKenzie and Bob Moffitt is leader.
- Aug. 6 - Chambers Lakes lying between the Middle and South Sisters. Rich Temple leading.
- Aug. 5-6- Rosary Lakes. A family overnight trip. David Zevenbergen.
- Aug. 12 - Santiam Summit. Don't know where from there, but call Joan Bray.
- Aug. 13 - Sun. Fuji Mtn. A very pretty trip. David Cohen leads. *POSTPONED*
- Aug. 12-13- Little Brother via North Sister and Collier Glacier. Greg. Wannier leads this one.
- Aug. 19 - Hidden Lake and Indian Ridge. Art Steele leads. *POSTPONED*
- Aug. 20 - Sun. Bingham Lakes. South of Crescent Lake. Bob Cox.
- Aug. 19-20- Canyon Glacier Meadow up in the 3 Finger Jack area. Wesley Prouty knows the way.
- Aug. 26 - Sat. Irish Mtn. Up Skookum Crk. where ever that is. Helen Smith
- Aug. 27 - Sun. Obsidian Loop 3 Sisters Wilderness. Lee Hatch leads.
- Aug. 26-27- Park Meadows. East and North of Broken Top. Dale Carlson.
- Sep. 2-3-4- Sisters Mirror Lake. 3 Sisters Wilderness - 3 days with Mary Bridgeman.

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- Sep. 2-3-4- Collier Glacier & 3 days with Ray Sims.
- Sep. 2-3-4- Mountain Lakes Wilderness S. of Mt. McLaughlin. Dick Moffitt.
- Sep. 9 - Sat. Up in the controversial French Pete area. Tink Gent ld.
- Sep. 10 - Diamond View Lake. This is in Diamond Peak Country. Nils Norman will lead you.
- Sep. 9-10- Hunts Cove. Read History of the Obsidians, June issue. David Zevenbergen again.

CLIMBS

- July 8-9- Broken Top. Via the beautiful Green Lakes country. Rich Temple
- July 15-16- Mt. Jefferson via Whitewater Glacier. Latham Flanagan leads.
- July 14-15-16- Mt. Hood. Climbing will be on Sat. Clarence Landes lds.
- July 14-15-16- Mt. Shasta, down in California way. Rex Stevens leader. *DATE 7/27/72*
- July 15-16- Mt. Thielsen. A most interesting mountain. Pat Crowder.
- July 15-16- Mt. Jefferson. This was the climb scheduled for July 8 & 9. Same leader- Latham Flanagan.
- July 22-23- Mt. Washington/ Easy but interesting with Dave Burwell.
- July 29-30- Three Fingered Jack. Norm Lee leads this one.
- July 29-30- North Sister. Regular route so they say. Follow Jim Jeppesen.
- July 2-30- Mt. Jefferson by way of Coyote Creek. Frank Moore leads.
- Aug. 5-6- South Sister. See the lake on top with John Nosler.
- Aug. 5-6- Three Fingered Jack. This time led by Dave Mention.
- Aug. 12-13- North & Middle Sister. Camp on Collier Glacier. Two leaders- Dick Moffitt & John Bascom.
- Aug. 12-13- South Sister from Devils Lake with Lois Schreiner.
- Aug. 25-26-27- South Sister & Broken Top. Camp at Green Lake. Dave Mention
- Aug. 26-27- Three Fingered Jack again. Leader to be announced later.
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CLIMBS CONTINUED

Some changes have been made in the climbing schedule. Please note.
 July 22-23 - Mt. Shuksan. Changed from July 14-15-16. Same leader - Rex Stevens.

July 26-27-28-29-30 - Mt. Jefferson. Ldr. Frank Moore & Co.

July 29-30 - # Fingered Jack. Leader to be announced later.

Aug. 26-27 - 3 Fingered Jack. Leader is going to be Norm Lee.

Aug. 26-27 - Middle Sister. Rick McManigal leading.

Sep. 2-3--- Mt. McLaughlin with Wesley Prouty, climbs cahirman ldg.

Sep. 2-3 --- Diamond Peak. Chuck Berkey is going to lead.

Sep. 2-3 --- South Sister from Chambers Lake with Ron Nunemaker.

Sep. 9-10 or 16-17 - Diamond Peak. Last climb of the Season. Greg Wannier will lead.

No Bulletin in August reason for listing trips for August and September.

TRIPS CANCELLED

The Mt. Fuji Sunday, August 13 trip has been cancelled until a later date. Hidden Lake trip August 19th Saturday, has been cancelled account to the leader, after having tried for three years to get an antelope license, finally getting one, has asked to have his trip postponed until a later date. Good hunting Art.

BOB COX is making a trip over the Olympic Peninsula July 23 to the 29th. He would like to have company so if you would also like to make this trip get in contact with Bob. Phone 345-6088.

BUS TRIP

August 26th, Saturday - Leave Eugene at 7:00 a.m. Reach Oregon City at 9:00. Leave at 9:30 via Mt. Hood Loop. Lunch stop of one hour enroute. (don't say whether to take your lunch or will stop at a greasy spoon someplace). Reach Bonneville Dam at 1:30 p.m. Leave Bonneville Dam aboard the Columbia Sightseer at 1:40. Jantzen Beach Marina at 5. Dinner stop. Leave Portland at 7. And arrive Eugene at 9:15. Call Ray Cavagnaro or Gerry Fehly where to meet bus in Eugene and about lunch. Cost will be \$16.50 except dinner stop in Portland

FEDERATION OF WESTERN OUTDOOR CLUBS
 ANNUAL CONVENTION WILL BE HELD Sept. 2-4 at Asilomar Conference grounds, Pacific Grove, California. Any Obsidian who may have a resolution to hand in must send in same to the Obsidian Board not later than the end of July.

SUMMER CAMP

As we go to press Helen says she has room for tow more people each week. This may not last so if you think you want to be one of the campers you should say so NOW. July 15 is the dead-line. And all fees should be paid not later than this date. Helen also needs a cooks helper for one week. Helper gets room and board for free. Don't forget to take: plate, knife fork, spoon, cup, small bucket and wash basin. No public washing this year. You will be expected, if you ever wash, to do so in your own camp spot. Costs will be \$85 for two weeks. \$50 for one week. Non-members add \$5 to above.

I SEE in the June Obsidian where the Supreme Courthas made it more difficult for Conservationists as a group. to challenge projects on environmental grounds.

The Obsidian gives the verdict handed down as a 4 to 3 decision. I always felt that a 4 to 3 decision if anything was only the opinion of one man. Polly Tickle

OFF-ROAD VEHICLE REGULATIONS

The Willamette National Forest now has - Available a listing of off-road vehicle regulations for motor vehicle use within the Forest. Copies of the regulations may be obtained at the Forest Headquarters, 210 E 11th and at all Willamette Forest Ranger Stations. The order closes the new McKenzie River Trail to off-road vehicles and horses. All other trails and areas listed in the order were closed previously. Off-road vehicles are prohibited or restricted in the Waldo Lake Recreational Area and on 46 trails and areas, including the Pacific Crest National Scenic Trail. Under the Wilderness Act of 1964, all units of the National Wilderness Preservation System are closed to motorized use. On the Willamette National Forest, the Mt. Jefferson, Mt. Washington, Three Sisters and Diamond Peak Wilderness areas are covered by this Act.

GLACIER BAY, ALASKA June 11

Dear Fellow Obsidians, Greetings and well wishes to all at the Reunion Anniversary, from the Good Ship C.P.R. Princess Patricia. (Whats one of our Princess' doin' there. Ed) While we are "eating" and "looking" our way among the ragged mountain crags which are generously lathered with snow and ice, with boundless untrodden trails for the adventuresome. Best wishes for continuing fellowship.

Frank & Sue Riemer.

(As this gets to you the Riemers are now at home)

Where to and how.

You all know that entry permits are now required for entry into any wilderness areas
Here is who to see, write to or call.

DIAMOND PEAK (east entry)

Deschutes National Forest, Phone 382-6922

211 East Revere, Bend 97701

Crescent Ranger Dist. P.O. Box 208

Crescent, Oregon 97733, Phone 433-2234

Diamond Peak (west entry)

Willamette N.F. 210 East 11th

Eugene 97401 - Phone 324-5141

Rigdon Ranger Dist. Star Rt. Box 306 B

Oakridge, Phone 782-2283 or 782-2285

EAGLE CAP WILDERNESS

Wallowa-Whitman N. F. Box 907

Baker 97814 Phone 523-6391

Bear Sleds Ranger District

Wallowa - Ore 97885 - Phone 886-2171

Joseph Ranger Dist.

Joseph, Ore. 97846 Phone 432-2171

Pine Ranger Dist. Halfway, Ore.

Phone 741-2361 97834

Union Ranger Dist. Union, Ore. 97630

Phone 562-5191

GEARHEART MT. WILDERNESS

Fremont N. F. Lakeview, Ore. 97630

Phone 947-2151

Bly Ranger Dist. Bly, Ore. 97622

Phone 353-2282

KALMOPHIS WILDERNESS

Slicklyou N.F. Box 440 Grants Pass 97526

Chetco Ranger Dist. / 479-5301

Box 730 Brookings, 97415 P. 469-2196

MT. HOOD - Mt. Hood N. Forest

340 N.E. 122nd Ave. P.O. Box 16040

Portland, 97216 Phone 255-0211

Zigzag Ranger Dist. Phone 622-3191

Zigzag, Ore 97023

Hood River R. Dist. Rt 1 Box 6

Parkdale, 97047 Phone 352-2002

MT. JEFFERSON (east entry)

Deschutes N. Forest Bend, Ore. 97701 .

Phone 382-6922

Sisters Ranger Dist. P.O.Box 248

Sisters, 97759 Phone 2111

MT. JEFFERSON (north entry)

Mt. Hood N. F. add & phone above.

MT. JEFFERSON (west entry)

Willamette N. F. Add. & P. above

MT. WASHINGTON (east entry)

Deschutes N. F. add. & P. above

Sisters R. D. add. & P. above

MT. WASHINGTON (west entry)

Willamette N. F. Add. & P. above

McKenzie Ranger Dist. McKenzie

Bridge, 97401 P. 822-3381 (Blue River)

STRAWBERRY MT. WILDERNESS

Malheur N. F. John Day 97845

Phone 575-1731

Bear Valley R. D. John Day (above)

Prairie City Ranger Dist.

Prairie City, 97869 Phone 923-5501

THREE SISTERS WILDERNESS (east entry)

Deschutes N. F. Add. & P. above.

Sisters R. D. Add. & P. above (east E)

Oakridge R. D. Add. & P. above (west e)

Willamette N.F. Add. & P. above. (west e)

McKenzie R.D. Add. & P. above (west e)

MOUNTAIN LAKES WILDERNESS

Winewa N. Forest P.O. Box 1390

K. Falls - 97601 Phone 882-7761

PAYSATEN WILDERNESS

Okanogan N. Forest P.O. box 950

Okanogan, Wash. 98840 P. 422-2704

Winthrop Ranger Dist. Winthrop Wash.

Phone 996-2266/98862

MT. ADAMS WILDERNESS

Gifford Pinchot N. F. P.O. Box 449

Vancouver, Wash. 98660 P. 695-3481

Randle R.D. Randle, Wash. 98377 P. 497-7565

Mt Adams R.D. Trout Lake, Wash. 98650

Phone 395-2501

GOAT ROCKS WILDERNESS (west entry)

Gifford Pinchot N. F. Add. & P. above

Packwood R. D. Packwood, Wash. 98361

Phone 494-5515

GOAT ROCKS WILDERNESS (east entry)

Snoqualmie N.F. 1601 Second Ave. Bldg.

Seattle, Wash. 98101 Phone 583-5400

Tieton Ranger Dist. Star Rt Box 189

Naches, Wash. 98937 Phone 672-4101

GLACIER PEAK WILDERNESS (east entry)

Wenatchee N. Forest P.O. Box 811

Wenatchee, Wash. 98801 P. 663-8511

Chelan Ranger Dist. P.O. Box 189

Chelan, Wash. 98816 Phone 682-2476

Entiat R. D Entiat, Wash. P.O. Box 476
Phone 784-1511

Lake Wenatchee R. D. Phone 763-2151

Star Rt. Bx 109 Leavenworth, Wash. 98826

GLACIER PEAK WILDERNESS (west entry)

Mt. Baker N. F. P.O. Box 1198

Bellingham, Wash. 98255 P 743-5411

Baker River R.D. Concrete, Wash. 98237

Phone Concrete 853-2851 or

Lyman-Hamilton 826-3065

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

Has asked the public to write in their ideas as to how they, the NPS, can best take care of the vast crowds that are now crowding our National Parks. The NPS in looking to the future see the inevitable necessity of the vacationists having to apply for permits to enter and this may lead to a wait for an indeterminate time for one to get his or her permit. Maybe as long as one, two or three years, an idea I have had for a number of years, and I have written to them along this line.. That is to eliminate all concessions in all of our National Parks. The idea that hotels, motels, restaurants, shops dealing in do-dads mostly, laundryettes, in fact all concessions have no place in National Parks. They are not there for anyone's benefit; only to make money for the concessionaires and these could just as well be outside of the parks. There was a time when some of these things were perhaps necessary; back in the horse-and-buggy days, but no more. There is no reason why today with automobiles, that one could not spend the day in the park and then go on out to camp and buy and eat. I believe this would eliminate some of the crowding and do away with camp grounds in the Park also. Wouldn't it be nice to just visit a National Park with all this out of the way. Of course we need park personnel and they should be housed in the park. Write to the National Park Service, Washington, D. C. 20240 and give them your ideas for handling this growing problem. Polly Tickle.

DIAMOND PEAK 6/24-25

The unsinkable Mary Bridgeman has done it again and now has the summit of Diamond Peak on her list of accomplishments.

This year's climb was one of my better ones, in spite of the threat of bad weather. A heavy overcast, along with 10,000 mosquitos, dominated our Saturday night campfire at Indigo Springs, but a congenial group sprinkled with such Obsidian notables as Wes Prouty, Joella Vandaveer, Mary B., Merle Traudt, and Mary Sandstrom, all liberally coated with bug juice, kept the gloom at a distance.

Sunday morning trailhead was cloaked with a damp, dripping cloud, but not a murmur of apprehension was heard as we started on our soggy way. It was map and compass all the way thru the murk to the 7,000 foot tree line where, right on schedule, we broke out of the clouds and into bright sunshine, our first view of

the mountain and a most welcome lunch stop. Incidentally, if you hear a rumor that another Bigfoot's tracks have been found in the vicinity of Diamond Peak, don't believe it; Bob Holmquist has a new pair of boots.

With the mountain now in sight, Merle Traudt took the lead and broke trail to the base of the first ridge. My son Jon led up to the ridge. Then Wes Prouty led a brilliant traverse across a 60 degree snow field up and over the "Moaning Wall" so called because from the top of this wall first-timers moan when they see how far it is to the summit. Son Jon, with his tireless kick-step took the final lead up over the snow of the west ridge.

Our visitors, Steve Meyn, David German, Tom Lockhart, Andrew Sandstrom and Jim McNamara had already proved themselves worthy climbers and we all gained the summit within 5 minutes of each other. It was a first mountain for Jim McNamara & 10 year old Andrew Sandstrom. 3 cheers!

It is my philosophy that a climb paced low and slow at the start gives happier people on the summit. I'm a slow starter but a helluva finisher. Craig Chestnut & Doug Shafer of Klamath Falls are on everybody's list for defacing the summit of beautiful Diamond Peak with their spray can of yellow paint. Several caustic comments were already noted in the summit book and more were added. Next time may the climb be so high their paint cans explode in their packs. The way out was highlighted by several wild glissades over the moist snow that I have ever seen time of year and then back to the map & compass thru the timber. Rest stops were short and few after the mosquitos found us. We arrived back at the vehicles at 4:30 p.m., an hour and a half later than my schedule had said but only a half hour later than I had anticipated. The climbers: Mary Bridgeman, David German, Jon Holmquist, Tom Lockhart, Jim McNamara, Steve Meyn, Wes Prouty, Andrew & Marianne Sandstrom, Merle Traudt, Joella Vandaveer, and leader Bob Holmquist.

BUS TRIP A LA CHELAN

Reminiscent of our early Summer Camps taken by bus, was the Lake Chelan trip in early June. There was the same exuberant greeting of the new arrivals along the way; stops at every interesting spot and even crazy games and snacks (made in home kitchens before the trip) available at all hours. The flamboyant Hoyt Hotel

PRINCESSES INVITE ALL OBSIDIAN WOMEN AND WIVES OF MALE MEMBERS TO JOIN IN A POT-LUCK MONDAY, JULY 17th AT 6:30 P.M. AT BRIDGEMAN,S HOME, 375 CHERRY DRIVE, EUGENE, BRING YOUR TABLE SERVICE AND ONE ITEM OF FOOD. DRINKS FURNISHED. PROGRAM AND FUN. FO COME

MORE ON THE BUS TRIP

The Editor has received no less than 5 notices of the Mt. Hood Loop, Columbia River trip. The latest came in todays mail and gives some more information as Bring sack lunch to be enjoyed at Timberline. Coffee is to be furnished. At Portland the boat will land at "Inn of the Quay". for dinner. (Not included in the cost). Leave Eugene at 7 a.m. from South Eugene High School. For reservation call Gerry Fehly -343-2784 or Roxie Waldorf 726-7082. REMEMBER THE MEETING PLACE SOUTH EUGENE HIGH SCHOOL AT 7:00 A.M.

AUGUST IN JASPER PARK

Potluck picnic will be held in Jasper Park. Along the Willamette River across from the town of Jasper, Thmrday, Aug. 17th. Time 6:30p.m. For more information call Mary Castelloe - 344-5168.

PRINCESS HAPPENINGS

The Sept. 18th meeting will be at Bertha Anderson's home 1823 Brentwood, Eug.

On June 19th Thirteen Princesses met at the home of Helen Lynch. Frances Newsom sent greetings about her travels in Japan. Additions were approved for speaker system at the Lodge. Margaret Weise gave information about Friends of the Three Sisters Annual Wilderness July 1 thru 4 in Louder Mountain Area.

Plans were made for an evening picnic for all Obsidian women Mon. July 17th in Bridgeman's yard.

Bavarian Strawberry pie was served by Jane Hilt and the hostess. Attending were Mary Castelloe, Catherine Jones, Thelma Watson, Bertha Anderson, Nellie McWilliams, Margaret Weise, Myrtie Hamlin, Lois Schreiner, Florence Sims, Helen Weiser, Dorothy Medill, Jane Hilt and Helen Lynch

LAW PATROLS CAMPGROUNDS

Beginning July 1, Sheriffs Deputies will intensify their patrol of Willamette National Forest recreation areas, is the word put out by Forest Supervisor Zane G. Smith. Because of the extreme breakdown of the social and moral character of those camping has led to unprecedented vandalism, fighting, stealing and general hell raising this has become necessary. In other words, with the betterment of camping equipment, more leisure time, more and better roads, a lot of people are now camping out that know absolutely nothing about camping out etiquette and don't give a damn. Forest service has allocated \$16,000 for this service to Lane, Line & Marion counties thru Labor Day.

THRU THE VIEWFINDER

HAROLD BYERLY evidently has moved back to Eugene. His new address is P.O. Box number 3313, Eugene. That is a University post office number.

GALE BURWELL teaching on-the-trail preparedness at 4 H Summer School.

LESLIE AND MAY COOPER celebrated their Golden Wedding last year alone. Not wanting anyone to know that they had been married that long, to the same person that is, they kept very quiet about it. This past June marked their 51st.

PARKER RIDDLE has a new phone number. It is 342-4538 if you want to know.

THE BRUNIGS, Keith & Bessie, have been married for 40 years, to each other that is, A reception was held by their two sons, Art & Greg. for them at their home at 816 Adams st., Sat. June 17th.

MT. SAINT HELENS is owned by a lumber company. Not the whole mountain. Just a square mile of the top. Going to grow trees up there? No! Just for the pumice.

BICYCLING FOR RECREATION AND CUMMUTING is the name of a new publication put out by the government. It is a 26 page booklet covering quite a number of subjects under this heading. Can be obtained for 45¢ sent to the "Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Printing Office, Washington, D. C. 20402.

HAZEN BRESSLER has moved. Out to Pleasant Hill. Lorene went along. Rt 8 Box 429 97401 and their phone is 747-1965.

DR. BALDWIN Professor at the University and a member of the Obsidian Board will be leaving soon for a years tour teaching on the Good Ship, Chapman College. Ewart says the year will take them round the world two times.

PAT CROWDER who was to lead the climb of Mt. Thielsen July 15-16, has a broken leg. The climb has been postponed until some time in September.

NOTICE TO CLIMBERS

If you are eligible for the Three Peaks award or the Ten Peaks award you are requested to contact Wesley Prouty, phone 747-9511.

Bailey Castelloe has a sore foot. So sore he is hardly able to walk on it. He went to hospital to have it exrayed. Dr. could not find anything wrong. Told him not to walk on it more than necessary for a couple weeks. Now wasn't that something to tell a man with a sore foot. Mark says no more mountain climbing for him. Says that he is hardly able to climb up into bed.

MT. SHUKSAN 5/27-28

The leader and his children broke trail into a basin just below Lake Ann before the arrival of the party. It wasn't encouraging to learn from the Ranger at Glacier that no successful climb had been reported this year. I had hoped for good weather but conditions were almost too good as we set out at 1:45 a.m. on a warm, moon lit night. Scenery from the beginning was fantastic. We roped near the beginning of a traverse of steep snow slopes leading to the Fishers Chimney's

the leader and then Asst. leader took turns falling while cutting in two deep snow trenches. We had the choice of dropping lower to cross the trenches where they begin to bottom out, tediously crossing where we were, or going up the gully above us to crest of Shuksan Arm. We chose to go up just as a U. of Wash. Party went by below crossing low and surprisingly, unroped and moving fast. There was a great view on top but there was no easy way to continue, especially in view of increasing avalanche danger. Much careful belaying was needed to get safely down the gully. We spent awhile near Lake Ann watching avalanches crash down onto the Lower Curtis Glacier and this did relieve some of the disappointment felt in failing to make the peak. All signs were that the climbing party that crossed below was having a successful day. Just as this leader was ready to leave from Baker Lodge later in the day, out came the Wash. U. leader. It was their course graduating climb. They had been again not roped as they crossed the snow trenches (but of course, the climbers were tired and the snow conditions were even more unstable). One member stumbled and fell into one of the trenches to the glacier below. The next two hours were spent trying to arrange for helicopter from Widby Island but rescue operations had begun too late in the day - there would not be enough light to land.

Instead, a radio was packed in. Next morning news reported the climber had died and also the same afternoon another climber fell on nearby Mt. Baker and was also killed. This news suggested that reasonable judgement had been shown in turning back. The death on Shuksan was caused by a violation of the basic climbing code - the section on roping when ever a fall would have serious consequences (in this case - on steep snow slopes where self arrest will not hold next col. please

and there is no safe run out). This rule would seem to be especially sacred when leading inexperienced climbers on a climb on a training climb and even more so when the training is being provided as a service fee. Taking part in the climb were: Norm Benton, Dave & Lynn Chase, Chris & Jerry Jones, Duane Muetzel, Steve Pitts, Bill Ross and the leader Thomas McGehee.

TIDBITS LOOKOUT 6-18

Drive to Blue River, go 5 miles on road 149 & 8 miles on 1512 and hike 2 miles to the top of Tidbits Lookout. Then return. Doesn't sound like a qualifying hike. That's what the leader thought. That is until June 18. 18 folks signed up and another 8 phoned, and 7 showed up without doing either. That made a long line of 33 folks ranging in age from 5½ on up. Road 1512 goes right thru a clear cutting operation and all 7 cars went thru without mishap. About 5 miles from the beginning of the trail a mud slide caused Bob & Marshall to use Dick's trench shovel to make a new highway while Dick's four-wheel drive was used to pack it down firm. 4 of the 7 cars were passed thru and shuttled all 33 people to ½ mi. from the trail head where a fallen tree prevented all vehicles from passing further.

A long line of everyone tramped up the road, over the clear cut area and on up a short 1½ mile trail to the Tidbits Shelter where we hit snow. Two wise souls guarded the shelter while the rest pretended they were on Mt. Jefferson as they took about 2 hours to cross ½ mi. of snow fields & forest deep in snow (or was it steep snow?) Two in tennis shoes (didn't read directions or didn't want to follow them) and several lug soles trod lightly slowly and gingerly in the steps of others and all made it to the ridge where the trail was bare. Another 10 min. found all atop the 5186 ft. peak basking in the sun. After lunch and rest the snow trip was reversed in record time of 1 hr 30 min. From the Shelter to the cars a long line of 33 enjoyed the flowers, the breeze and the perfect weather in a leisurely fashion. Two mishaps did occur. Rod Barnes (back from Brazil only since June 3) had a flat tire on the way home.

We are wondering what Regina & Carolyn were saying, but since it was in Spanish we'll just have to guess. Then our favorite restaurant was full to overflowing so those who were looking forward to blackberry cobbler will have to wait until another trip. next page please.

The leader thanks all those who served as rear Guard, Temporary leader and Temporary Rear Guard. If you think this report is long, you should have seen the line of people on the north slope on Tidbits Mt. Those who now understand why this 4 mile hike is a Qualifying Hike were: Carolyn & Regina & Roderick Barnes Sloan Bertch, Mary Bridgeman, Duchess & Bob Cox, Willa Daves, Clara Emlen, Roger & Louise Fenn, Elizabeth Glover, Gladys Grancorvitz, Clarence Johnson, Clarence Landes, Bea LeFevre, Dorothy & Janice & Ron Leland, Evelyn & Herb McCornack, Bob & Dick Moffitt, Rosemarie Moffitt, Ruth Nichols, Marshall Pallett, Helen Robins, Lois Schreiner, Deborah Serfling, Paula Vehrs, Virginia Wiles & Phyllis Ford Ldr.

MT. ST. HELENS 6-9/10

Prospects for a climb looked sorry indeed, as we were rained on near all the way driving to Mt. St. Helens. While some slept in the cars, others of us occupied a tent, and listened to the rain come down for hours. Several of those signed up had dropped out and we wondered why we had gone in such weather. We arose at 3 a.m. to find the stars shining, so we proceeded with plans to climb. What a beautiful day it turned out to be! We were occasionally in clouds and often above them looking over the clouds at Mt. Rainier & Mt. Adams, themselves often partially covered with layers of clouds.

When the leader's legs began to tire from kicking steps Dave volunteered to do this and continued until we stopped for lunch, just below the false summit. He did an excellent job of making steps and did most of the job of "route finding" with occasional suggestions from the leader. Other members of our party and those in other parties following our route, found the going easy due to Dave's excellent work.

Altho the Forsyth Glacier was more broken up than usual this year, it was the first time that the leader has been able to follow it to the false summit. It is usually necessary to skirt a bergschrund near the top, going off to join another route at that place. After descending the Dog's Head we had our usual fine Glissades from there on down. For some, this was the first time to have such a long glissade. It was enjoyed by all. After a fine climb, the glissading was "icing on the cake". We returned to the cars at 4:15 p.m. 12 hours after starting out, and headed homeward, after what some

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called their finest climb. It reminded me of the old song - "When you come to the end of a perfect day". Climbers: Steve Blowers, Dave Chase, Jan Clark, Joel McClure, Jack Nitzel, Carol Scherer (good for you, Carol) and Norm Benton, leader.

HORSE PASTURE MOUNTAIN 6-10

12 brave souls and the leader started up Saddle Trail at 9 o'clock in bright sunshine. Along the trail we found Canadian Dogwood and an occasional Rhododendron in bloom. However it was still too much like winter for very many flowers to be out. As we approached Horsepasture Saddle, we saw some Bluebells & Yellow Violets. Before reaching the saddle we crossed the remains of the last night's snow. The trail so far had been faint but in generally good condition. After resting a few min. at the saddle, we tackled the mostly snow-covered trail to the summit. The sharp eyes of some of the group and good memories of others kept the leader from going too far astray. We arrived at the top at noon. Alas! our beautiful weather was deteriorating. Of all the mountains only Batchelor, Wash. and Jack would show their faces and then only briefly. As we ate our lunches we could see rain or snow squalls around us. At about 1 o'clock snow hit and prompted us to start moving down the trail. The snow stayed with us almost all the way to the cars. We arrived at the cars at 4 o'clock. Those keeping the ldr. on the straight and narrow were: Louise Fenn, Mary Bridgeman, Clara Emlen, Brian & David & Lee & Wayne Hatch, Phyllis Ford Lois Schreiner, Margaret Seeley, Helen Smith, Merle Traudt & Leader Alvin Lynch

MT. THIELSEN 6/3-4

We car camped in the woods near where the trail crosses the gravel road. Don & Clarence staked this spot out early on Saturday afternoon. Climbers were off at 6 a.m. after a moonlit night. It was a perfect day - brilliant sunshine and no wind. As we worked our way up the long snow slopes. We ate lunch on top, but had to bring the summit book back down as the box is not in place. The most innovative flissade prize was awarded to Lois hands down (or was it bottoms up?) All in all a perfect day with lots of picture taking, especially by Dennis. Viewing the glissade were: Mary Holland, Dennis Kneff, Tom Lockhart, Marshall Pallett, Don Payne, Lois Schreiner and the leader Chapin Clark and asst. leader Clarence Landes.

BOARD NOTES

Called to order by Cive-Pres. Hazem Bressler account of the Absence of Ben Ross. Minutes read and approved. Bills were all allowed, but could not be paid account of the absence of our treasurer, Clarence Scherer who had to work late at his Buick headquarters in Springfield account of some of his employees being unable to come back to work the day after the Fourth. Donn Chase was among the missing, but having our plumbing all in good shape we got by. Don Hunter also missed the Board meeting. Don't know his alibi, but suppose he was out putting on a show, or campaigning for conservation. Clarence Landes missed, but buildings and grounds seemed to be in repair. Word was that Clarence was out feeding his face at some party or pot-luck. He did send in a report that he would be getting at the job of spraying the park-in areas real soon.

Lois reported that 7 trips had been turned in, 4 not reported in yet and one cancelled. On the seven reported were 135 people.

Wes Prouty on climbs. Eight climbs made 3 cancelled. Goat Rocks. Too much snow Mt. Washington rained out. McLaughlin no signers on climb sheet.

Once again want to call attention to the necessity of signing up. Either sign or phone the leader. It has happened and will happen again where no one signed up so the leader did not show at the place of departure at the designated time and several persons showed to go on the trip but no leader, no trip.

We do not know who was supposed to bring the eats, but whoever it was didn't show so we all went home hungry.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

RICHARD & ELAINE BARRAR of 1450 East 27 Eugene. Richard is Professor of Math at the University.

H OWARD HORNER of 780 Van Buren in the City of Eugene. Come up to our potlucks.

FRANCES NEWSOM takes permanent sabbatical. After spending 26 years as University Librarian she just could not take it any longer so she up and quit. Going into a well earned retirement. If Frances ever wondered about how fast the time was passing by, she will now find out. We all hope, Frances, that it is a long and exciting retirement and that you can get your hand a way down deep in that pension fund.

THE BARRARS, Richard & Elaine made a few trips with us and were so pleased that they sent us a check for five dollars. Then a few days later sent us applications to join.

Wth sincerely thank you folks

BOHEMIA MT. 7/4

With only six people we left the starting point 15 minutes late. The trip was uneventful until we got to Sharps Creek Road, which neither the McCornacks or Lodewicks had traveled before. Though this is a beautiful road, it is steep, rocky and narrow. Not the recommended route to Bohemia Saddle. However, no trouble was encountered, except that Herb McCornack had to load his pickup with rocks to keep it on the road. We decided to hike up the mountain first. At trailhead we found a cabin with a man in residence who was doing prospecting on the mountain. The trail was in good shape except the snowfield near the summit was there again this year. Easiest route is to climb to "bergschund" above snowfield, instead of crossing it. Flowers along the trail beautiful and the summit a real rock garden. The scenery was at its best with very little haze.

We arrived on top about 11 a.m. started down again at 11:30 and were eating at the campground (crowded) at 12. Oliver Kupper drove down to Musick Mine to pick up the others who hiked down over the various levels of the old mine. By the time we reached the bottom the weather was getting hot and we decided home was the best place to be. So we led the McCornacks down the Brice Creek side left the Kuppers to fish Brice Creek and Row River and returned home. A fine time was had by all. On trip: Oliver & Glenda Kupper, Kenneth & Robin Lodewick, Evelyn & Herbert McCornack. Leader, Lodewicks.

THREE FINGERED JACK 6/18

We camped overnight at Booth Lake. We had a strong party. We started at 6 a.m. Our late start put us behind a slow party. We spent 5 hours waiting for them to get up & off the pinnacle. We took up a homestead at the saddle and waited them out. We got our group up in short order. We didn't have enough daylight hours to get to Square Lake. Bob Holmquist brot the party out by compass.

It was a very frustrating climb for our party. However, I was happy that 7 of our party succeeded on their first attempt at climbing Three Fingered Jack. Frustrated climbers were: Jim Cagle, Richard Frankel, Bob Holmquist, Linda Holmquist, Katherine Karo, Bruce Utsey, Becky and Andy Bascom, Lenore McManigal (did not climb) Richard, Kevin & Steven McManigal Wes Prouty and leader John McManigal

KALMIOPSIS WILD AREA 5-27/28

WE found it in beautifully full bloom. What, yo u ask? The unique and rare little Kalmiopsis flower that grows in the Coast Range between Brookings and Cave Junction in a designated Wild Area after this prehistoric plant. It was discovered in the Kalmiopsis Wild Area and at first thot to grow in no other spot on earth. However two or three other sightings have been made since that time.

A large display of Wild Lilac was evidenced in the lower reaches while at the 4,000 foot Qail Mt. Wild Iris were the profude attraction, not to be outdone however by the mass of lupine along the highway cuts between Port Orford and Gold Beach. The drive thru Powers to Agness and down the Rogue to Gold Beach was most interesting, Fortunately we again were able to enjoy some of the variety of landscape that makes up our majestic state. Those sharing in this experience were---Dr. & Aaron Bremiller, Kay Fahy, Marcy Mack, John, Lenore, Kevin McManigal, Bob Holmquist, Clarence, Helen Landes, Dorothy Medill, Don Payne and Alan and Susan, Allison Richter, Lois Schreiner, .M. A. Ffaudt, Liz Trojan & leaders, Frank and Wilma Moore.

CONE PEAK 6/3

Cone peak is a good cross-country hike for early June. Hi-lights were many wild flowers, the snow bliding on way down, leisurely pace for looking and picture taking, good weather and great group.

On trip: Mary Bridgeman, Melba Eckoff, Aladene Emerson, Clara Emlen, Kay Fahy, Brian & David & Lee & Wayne Hatch, Dorothy Hayes, Catherine Jones, Dorothy Leland, Bev & Rick Juilfs, Virginia Lickey, Marilyn Moore, Lois Schreiner, Helen Smith Jo Ellen Vandaveer, Thelma Watson, Margaret Weise. Catherine Jones. leader.

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HISTORY OF THE OBSIDIANS

By Ray Sims

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The busy year of 1964 is certainly one to re-member, as while we were in the "Table Lake" Summer Camp, It was extremely hard to leave such a wilderness setting with greenness in all the areas we visited. But back at the Lodge, the porch was under construction, with Gene Sebring and Glen Sims and a dozen more did an evening of planning. Then on a beautiful day put in the steps which was the last of the work.

Then a Greyhound bus load to the Oregon Caves was held on May 3rd. One of Oregons unique areas. It was this very year that word was received that a private firm in California bot up a "sage brush" hillside

And in 1964 they opened up an entrance and now they have another "Marble Cave". Later - when the Obsidians took the trip in the winter time to the "Chu Chu Train" the next day across Shasta Lake, we went thru the Marble Caves.

It was gratifying to me to have the former members, Ruth & Henry Norton, Dot & Elsie Dotson, Paul & Jean Lafferty, as each have children to follow in their steps in the Obsidians, Glad your back.

HOBBO BREAKFAST

Weather threatened rain and cold so we all went to the Obsidian Lodge instead of Armitage Park, and cooked our breakfast. Everyone had a good time, at least heard no complaints. Hobos were: Roger & Edith Bridgeman, Geraldine Fehly, Myrtle Smith, Ina Foss, Bob & Dorothy Medill Virginia West. Castellloes wer leaders.

NO NOTHING

Bears hibernate in winter. Obsidian Board and Editorial Staff hibernate in the month of August every year. Will see you all in September. Then the Annual Meeting takes palce in October.

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