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Hood River

## Climbers Miraculously Escape Death

And they lived to tell the story. The opening sentence refers to the four young folk of Portland who Sunday morning experienced the longest slide ever taken down the slopes of Mt. Hood.

The slide occurred when one woman in the party of four, which was roped together, slipped when less than a thousand feet from the summit, descending the "chimney" on the north slope. The party was on the outside edge of the "chimney" in about a foot of wet newly-fallen snow. The falling of this one member apparently started this mass of new snow sliding on the crusted old snow and ice underneath. Out of the "chimney" onto the big snow field above Eliot glacier they slid, both men trying desperately to stop their progress with their ice axes but to no avail.

From Ghost ridge, below Cloud Cap could be seen with the naked eye Sunday the path of the party and its ever-increasing load of wet snow. Near the base of the snow field may be seen a patch of rock that the party apparently was carried right over. At the base of the snow field is a near sheer drop of around 200 to 300 feet onto Eliot glacier. When the members of the party saw they could not stop before going over this, they threw their ice axes clear to avoid injury.

Down this drop they were carried and out onto the glacier. The volume of snow carried along with them apparently cushioned the entire slide and the final fall, literally "scooting" them across a 15-foot crevasse on the glacier.

Here they stopped and made their way to their car parked on Ghost ridge. The men, Henry L. Corbett Jr. and Ralph Calkins suffered minor cuts, bruises and burns. Jean Blake suffered no injury other than bruises. The other young lady, Elsie Hall, was still in a Portland hospital suffering from shock, according to last reports.

The party had climbed the night before by way of the Sunshine trail (incidentally, they had gone up through the center of horseshoe rock) and were on their way down when the accident occurred. Near them when they started sliding was a party of Mazamas under L. S. Darling, who were working their way down with an anchored rope. The party of four was not using an anchored rope, but the climbers were fastened to one another.

Darling dispatched someone to call the Crag Rats who met the four and rendered first aid.

"Andy" Anderson and Darling estimated the distance of the slide as about two-thirds of the total distance from the snow line to the summit, or better than 2000 feet.

### SPOILED LEGUME HAY VALUABLE FERTILIZER

Legume hay, such as alfalfa and clover, that has been spoiled by the recent rains may be salvaged for use as fertilizer, says Dr. W. L. Powers, chief of the soils department at Oregon State college. He points out that a ton of alfalfa contains about 40 pounds of nitrogen, which in fertilizer, would cost as much as 10 cents a pound. It also contains about 25 pounds of potassium and 7 pounds of phosphorus.

This spoiled legume hay makes a valuable mulch, checking evaporation and loss of soil moisture, and because of its favorable nitrogen content for decomposition, does not depress growth, Dr. Power says. When applied in orchards at the rate of two tons of dry material per acre it will also earn soil conservation payments under the 1937 soil conservation program. It is best to remove the spoiled crop from the fields promptly, he says, and if it is not applied immediately to place it in ricks for later use as fertilizer.

### TOURIST TRADE GROWS

A record of more than a half million automobile tourists in Oregon during 1937 is predicted from registration of non-resident motor vehicles throughout the state during the first five months. With a 27 per cent increase in registrations over the prior year, it is estimated that some 175,000 motor vehicles will be checked in 1937 and with an average of three passengers to each car, more than 500,000 visitors are expected.

## What They're Reading

By Grace Babson

Just three years ago this week there appeared on the list of best selling fiction "Good-bye Mr. Chipps" by James Hilton. As many of you know it is the story of an English school master in a boys' boarding school, or public school as they are called in Britain.

The school master was not brilliant nor handsome nor inspiring. But this short novel of his devotion to the school and its pupils for over half a century kept on the best seller list for a long time. Alexander Woolcott spoke of it as "a tender and gentle story as warming to the heart and as nourishing to the spirit as any I can remember."

Then America discovered that the years before Mr. Hilton had written and received the Hawthornden prize for "Lost Horizon," the fantastic story of a charming and gifted young Britisher named Conway, an Oxfordton, a student of oriental languages and when the story begins, a consul in the Far East. Conway is the central figure in a group of four who are kidnapped in an airplane and taken to a Tibetan Lamasery. "Lost Horizon" joined "Good-bye Mr. Chipps" on the best seller list and both remained there for almost a year together.

"Lost Horizon" is now on the screen and is classed as an outstanding production.


Last March was published Mr. Hilton's latest book, "We Are Not Alone" and this too at once became a best seller. It is a wistful, tender story of a Cathedral town doctor married to a smug, strongminded, well born woman. He was affectionately known as "the little doctor" not because he was below average height, but because his wife was five feet ten.

Dr. Newcome combined great skill as a physician and surgeon with great human pity. He felt that "something must happen some day to such a precarious social balance; Cathedral bells would not always ring upon an acquiescent world." His human sympathy was the cause of his quite innocent affair with the lonely little German dancer in a road

show whom he was called in to attend for an injured wrist.

The sudden death of Mrs. Newcome—the imprisonment of the doctor and his young protegee, who are accused of the crime, make a good detective story. When the "little doctor" and the little dancer are granted a last meeting, "she had the little crushed smile that he had seen first of all when he had bandaged her wrist—she began to cry, and all at once it seemed to him the whole world was crying, crying for lost impossible love. We are not alone." Don't fail to read this charming story.

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WASHINGTON STATE COLLEGE, Pullman, July 1—More than 250,000 trees, or enough trees, planted ten feet apart, to make a row 473 miles long, were shipped to farmers of the state of Washington last spring by the Federal-State Forest Tree nursery operated by the department of forestry and range production through cooperation with the forest service under the Clarke-McNary forest act.

The most popular species shipped was Black locust which is being widely planted for woodlot, shelter-belt and erosion control purposes. Other species widely used were Chi-

nese elm, green ash, Russian olive, Norway spruce, blue spruce, and western yellow pine.

This year's tree shipments were the largest ever recorded in the twelve years the college has cooperated in this work. An average of approximately 500 trees to each purchaser indicates that farmers are planting shelterbelts and woodlots of greater size. Many erosion control plantings made by farmers cooperating with the soil conservation service, contained several thousand trees each.

Plans for producing a greater amount of stock in the future are being made by John P. Nagle, assistant professor in the department of forestry and range management, who has charge of this work at the college.

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This is the first showing of these pictures in Hood River county.