

Klamath County Museum Sets Formal Opening On October 23

Literally thousands of exhibits have been readied, with more to come later, for the formal opening of the Klamath County Museum, slated for Sunday, October 23. A few of the many and some of the people who have been responsible for them are pictured here. At the top right are two old time pieces of furniture, the one on the right being the desk chair of Dr. H. A. Wright, uncle of Klamath's own Dr. Wright. On the back is the doctor's name and the address "Linkville." The drawers at the left of the picture are also a relic of Linkville—the post office. The strongbox was used for receipts and cash during the days when George Nurse was postmaster. First reports of the Modoc War to reach the outside world were probably filed through this post office. Four of the people on the museum commission are pictured, top left, left to right, Hal Ogle, Mary Case, Judge U. E. Reeder and Oliver Spiker. The next picture below shows one of the old spinning wheels, a seven gallon churn presented by the Kerns family and an old organ loaned by George Boyd. Center right is Dr. Paul Schaefer, curator, shown here classifying some of the many pictures in the museum's collection. The two lower left pictures show some of the old china (top) and the bottom picture shows some of the basketry work done by the Indians. Oldest exhibit to date, lower right, are these ancient moccasins made of twisted sagebrush and tules, thought to date back to 7045 B.C. These, on loan from the University of Oregon, came from the Paisley cave, as did the other exhibits including old arrow shafts and bits of basket ware. A special invitation has been issued to the pioneers of the Klamath Basin to attend the opening—which is open to the public—and visit with their friends. A tape recorder will be on hand to preserve stories and memories of the early days. Tea will be served during the opening, set for two to seven p.m.

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