

"THE OREGON TRIP"

Four Thousand Miles of Pleasant Memories

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"The Oregon Trip." A world of suggestion, to those who made the trip, lies in those three words. They bring to mind the memory of nine long days and nights, spent in traveling across four thousand miles of the great American continent, in close association and fellowship with ninety-five other Nebraskans. They call up recollections of one of the greatest struggles ever put up on a football field by a Nebraska team, and one which was finally rewarded by a grand victory. But best of all, those three words bring to mind again and again the realization of what it really means to be a son or daughter of old Nebraska, a realization caused by the loyalty of the old grads met along the way.

An attempt to describe the experiences and thrills of the party as each day came and went would take volumes. As the best substitute available a summary of the important events of each day will be offered.

The trip was begun with one of the greatest rallies and parades ever witnessed at Nebraska. Over two thousand wildly cheering men and women joined in a parade to the depot, led by the band. The send-off, according to the testimonies of various members of the team, was the most potent force of all in winning the O. A. C. game.

Practice in Snow.

At Julesburg, Colo., the first practice was held. The team ran through signals, down the main thoroughfares of the city, while the band entertained the populace with some of the latest ragtime airs. The expedition entered Wyoming, and a fierce snow storm, almost simultaneously, at about noon. Practice in the afternoon was held in a driving snow, and with snow already on the ground to a depth of several inches. The team, in their running trunks and jerseys, presented a rather absurd picture, surrounded by a frigid atmosphere as they were sprawling on a snow-covered ground.

The nights, during the entire trip, were spent in quiet by the team as far as possible. Most of the men chose to retire early rather than run the risk of not being in the best shape for the game.

Thursday morning saw the end of the snow storm, but not of the cold weather. A stop was made in the morning in the beautiful city of Pocatello and in the afternoon the expedition received a rousing reception at Nampa, Idaho. At both of these places the usual program of a band concert, while the team practiced, was carried out.

The Cascade Mountains.

The beautiful Cascade mountain region was entered early Friday morning and a busy time ensued for the sight-seers and photographers. A short stop was made at Multnomah Falls, the pride of all Portland.

The special was met in Portland by a large number of former Nebraskans, among whom were J. C. Stevens, president of the University of Nebraska club, and Dr. Earle Henton, president of the Portland-Nebraska society. These two men had charge of the entertainment provided during the stay of the Cornhuskers.

The afternoon was spent in taking an auto trip along the Columbia river highway, the most beautiful road in the world. There were about twenty autos in the party. The cars were furnished by ex-Nebraskans.

Saturday morning was spent in quiet by the team, while the band and the rest of the party visited various places of interest about the city.

And Then the Game.

Then in the afternoon came the game, the one event for which the whole trip was made. Nebraska rooters occupied one whole section of the large grandstand; it was but another indication of the fine reception given Nebraskans everywhere that the section was in the middle of the stand.

It was evident from the start that the Cornhuskers were superior to the Oregon Aggies. Their team work was better and their defense was much more impregnable than that of the westerners.

Immediately after the kickoff Nebraska started gaining ground by the use of end runs and line bucks, and after losing the ball once and regaining it again they marched straight down the field for fifty-five yards and a touchdown, without again losing possession of the ball.

Conn's Famous Run.

On the next kickoff the Cornhuskers started the same tactics and had the ball on the two-yard line when the famous "recovered fumble" made Conn, the Aggie speeder, a candidate for the governor's job in Oregon.

Conn's run put the Aggies on an equal footing with the Cornhuskers, a place which they were allowed to hold for over two quarters, due to a little slip-up in the team work of the scarlet and cream warriors.

However, the Nebraskans got together in the last quarter and carried the ball to the 28-yard line. From there Captain Corey kicked as pretty and as useful a field goal as any Nebraskan has ever had the privilege of booting.

The three-point lead gave the Cornhuskers added confidence and they played the Aggies off their feet until Caley was finally pushed over on his second touchdown of the day. It was a clever run of twenty yards through tackle. "Joe" dodged the Aggie backfield in the first ten yards and then left them in the dust the last ten.

Real Fight Shown.

Near the end of the game the Cornhuskers were forced to show a sample of real fight, when the Oregonians got the ball on the two-yard line, due to a fumbled punt. The men delivered, however, throwing the Aggies back for losses twice and recovering the ball the second time.

The game finally ended with the Cornhuskers the aggressors, and the victors, and the purpose, for which the 4,000-mile trip was made, was accomplished.

The trip was continued Saturday night at midnight, following a magnificent banquet given in honor of the Nebraska party by the Nebraskans of Portland.

Seaside was reached early Sunday morning and the entire party took a look at the Pacific, some of the less timid ones taking a dip in the icy waters. Caley arose to the occasion, following his stellar work of the day before, determined to again be the star of the crowd. He attempted a high dive in six inches of water and in addition to being a star saw many other stars when his head hit the bottom.

The Return Trip Begun.

At noon Sunday the return trip was started. The route lead through Portland to Seattle, where several alumni and other ex-Nebraskans entertained the members of the expedition, for a short time, at the Seattle Athletic club.

The route from Seattle led through the northern part of the beautiful Cascade mountains. A stop was made in the morning at the station of Scenic, consisting of a hotel and depot. Here a "Movie" drama was put on. The father and daughter, living a quiet life in the mountains, were attacked by bold, bad bandits. Brave soldiers were called to the rescue, and chased the bandits from the scene. Mrs. Harry Everett, the only lady to make the whole trip, was the daughter, her father was "Olie" Palm, the bad men were the business men who were in the party and the band men substituted for soldiers.

Monday night found the special in Spokane, where again alumni met it, and showed their love for the old school. At about nine o'clock Tuesday morning the western entrance to Glacier National park was reached and a halt of four hours was made. A few of the tourists enjoyed a trip on Lake McDonald, but most of them chose to see the beauties of the park at closer range.

The stop was short, however, and the trip was continued to Wilson Creek, where a practice was held while the band gave a concert.

Practices were held on Wednesday, at Billings and Sheridan. At the latter place a score of autos

greeted the travelers and took them for a short whirl about the city.

Then on Wednesday night came the great initiation into the "Royal Order of Stuck-ups," in the band car. Three or four band men got together and started a society for those who had seals, gathered from hotels along the way, on their suitcases. However, after all the men in the car had been initiated the energy of the crowd had not been spent, and they became liberal and allowed every one who came through the car to join, much to the latter's confusion, and, in some cases, wrath.

Initiation Ceremony.

It was certainly not very pleasant to start down the aisle of a perfectly quiet car, all unsuspecting, and suddenly have a multitude of hidden hands and feet pop out and hit and kick a person as hard as possible, but that is what happened that night to all such people as the brakeman, the Pullman conductor, the conductor and the "Movie Man". Much as some of the men feared it, there was no trouble resulting from the hilarity, and all concerned agreed that it was an excellent way to spend the last night of such an eventful trip.

Thursday morning was spent in preparation for the home coming; the band slicked up a bit and the team prepared to smile in their most "hero-like" manner.

The Home Coming.

The reception at home was one of the finest exhibitions of school spirit ever seen in Lincoln. A crowd of fifteen hundred enthusiasts were at the depot to welcome the home-coming victors. A parade to the chapel was followed by a rousing session of cheering and speech-making; and with such a meeting the wonderful Oregon trip was at an end.

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