HAVE A CHAIR ...

A.R. Kerslake, who restores antique wooden chairs, will be the speaker at the Jan. 19 meeting of the Troutdale Historical Society, Monday, 7:30 p.m. in the Troutdale city hall.

Mr. Kerslake, a Society member, enjoys buying old chairs, often little more than a bundle of sticks, and putting them back together again. He will bring several for display and books describing the chair types. Don't be surprised when you find that the valuable chairs are the same ones Grandma used for painting stools before threwing them out.

AND A HAPPY BIRTHDAY ...

Following our program, Jan. 19, our refreshment hour will be a birthday celebration honoring the 98th birthday of our oldest member, Wiley Wilson, who was born Jan. 18, 1878, near Troutdale. Barring ill health, arrangements are being made to bring Mr. Wilson to the meeting. Several members have volunteered to bring birthday cakes for the occasion. A story about Mr. Wilson is planned for the Jan. 15 edition of the Greeham Outlook.

KEEPING IT ON ICE ...

This is the time of year to remind our members that a meeting of the Society is automatically cancelled if ice or snow cause dangerous road conditions.

FOUND: ONE OAK TREE ...

The Lover's Oak, subject of last month's meeting, has been found by Vern and Marty Rathman. Last week the Rathmans walked the site near the Reynolds Metals Plant and located the stump of the tree which was blown down in the Columbus Day storm. Arrangements are being made to photograph the site.

ELECTION DUE ...

In a special board meeting this month A.R. Kerslake, Teresa Doolittle, Laura Imthurn and Alex Jones were named to the nominating committee to prepare a slate of candidates for the election of officers in February. Our February meeting, the anniversary of the founding of the Society, will also be the time to pay annual dues of \$2 per person, \$.50 for junior members.

BUILDING COMMITTEE NAMED ...

George Phoenix, Ted Schulte, Bob Sturges, Fay Davis and Sharon Nesbit have been appointed to a committee to investigate the adding of a wing or more space to the museum building. The primary aim is a shelter large enough to accommodate big pieces of fire and farm equipment.

Part of the money for this project will come from the Dick Knarr memorial fund.

CALENDARS AVAILABLE ...

The Society is selling cloth Bicentennial calendars for \$1.50 each. They will be available at the January meeting. In addition tickets will be available for the afghan made by Truly Wright.

GIFTS TO THE MUSEUM ...

Some new items have been added to the museum. Larry Granberg donated a saw vise with an 1879 patent date. In response to a request for items children can handle, Lucky Granberg has given a 1905 orange squeezer. Sam Cox gave some old National Geographics for our library and A.R. Kerslake a wase he won many years ago as a prize at a Troutdale picnic.

MAKE A NOTE ...

Do you ever think of some little thing the Historical Society would like to know about. Make a note of it -- just a few lines describing the event. It takes a little time but it is much harder to lose track of the written word.