

THE BROTHERS NASMYTH...

Keeping our promise to do more live interviews, our November 21 historical society meeting will be a live interview with two brothers, John and Herbert Nasmyth. John was born on a houseboat in the Sandy River in 1916. Herb came along in 1923. John remembers the 1925 Troutdale fire because the Nasmyth home was destroyed and Herb recalls the winter storm of 1929-30. Be there to hear their memories.

Because of road construction it is almost impossible to get in to Troutdale City Hall so the meeting will be held in the annex of the City Park Building. The annex is the room to the south of the main hall. The meeting time will be at 7:30 p.m. Alice Wand and Lois Schulte are providing refreshments.

DECEMBER MEETING...

Mark your calendar for Dec. 17, a Saturday, for our Christmas open house.

GOOD \$\$\$\$ NEWS...

Treasurer Ted Schulte had good news at last month's meeting. We earned slightly more than \$3,000 over the summer -- \$174 came from donations to the two museums, \$387 was from the sale of recipes at the Vista House and the bulk of the money came from the ice cream social, the city picnic and the pie sale. That enabled us to make a \$3,000 payment to the city on the Harlow House leaving only \$8,000 owing.

SAM IS AT IT AGAIN...

Never content with the status quo, and he shouldn't be, President Sam Cox is looking for money to build our museum barn back of the Harlow House. In addition to a \$100 gift from Nathalie Wilson and \$200 from the pie sale, we received this month a check for \$1,000 from Sam's cousin, Willa Day of Vancouver, Wash. She has long been interested in our organization and has been generous in the past.

A STRING OF MAYORS...

Our collection of Troutdale mayors pictures to hang in city hall is growing. Since the last newsletter we have found Walter Norment and H.E. Bloyd. We now have photos of Morrie McGinnis. We are on the trail of Vern Rathman and Jack Lloyd. The tough problem is John Hudson. So far we have had no luck finding his descendants. If you can help, give us a call. Many thanks, incidentally, to folks like Arline Seidl who have written offering suggestions and tips.

IN MEMORY...

The name of Frank E. Clark, Wood Village, a member of our society who died Aug. 21, was omitted from last month's newsletter.

FINGERS CROSSED...

Keep your fingers crossed Nov. 11. The state advisory committee meets that day to consider the Harlow House for nomination to the National Register of Historic Places.

HOUSECLEANING...

Our mailing list is growing cumbersome so the board of directors has agreed to eliminate some names that appear to have no interest in the society. If you receive our newsletter and like to receive it but have never paid dues, please consider mailing \$3 in dues to Ted Schulte, 17655 SE Bluff Rd., #1, Sandy, Oregon, 97055. Dues paid at this time will be considered payment for the next dues period - Feb. 1984 to Feb. 1985. If you have been paying dues all along, don't worry. We will notify you when dues are due in February.

HALLOWEEN PRANK...

Marjory Kasch recalls a Troutdale Halloween prank witnessed by her father. According to her the pranksters slipped poles under the Troutdale jail, carried it off and dumped it in the river.