

HARRIMAN'S PEL- CAN BAY HOME

The following, by William Wagner, appeared over a month ago in the leading papers in the United States, and did much to spread the fame of Klamath County:

"Klamath county, Oregon, will be a Summer resort what Southern California is as a Winter resort," is the statement made by E. H. Harriman when he addressed an audience of Klamath Falls people while on his way to his beautiful Pelican Bay resort. It lies within the power of Mr. Harriman to make this prediction come true, and, if the reports coming from Pelican Bay are correct, Mr. Harriman has plans that will make the Klamath region one of the most widely known resorts on the Pacific Coast.

Northern Klamath county has been appropriately termed the Switzerland of North America, and the lover of beauties of nature will find Pelican Bay and its surroundings a most fascinating place. The Bay is one of the most northern extremities of the Upper Klamath lake, which is more than fifty miles in length and about five miles in width. Into this Bay flows Pelican Creek, a stream about forty yards wide and not more than half a mile in length. Its source is a large spring and it is above this spring on a grassy slope with heavy timber in the rear that the resort of Mr. Harriman is situated. Pelican Creek is navigable to its very head and large steamers run to within a few yards of the main building at the resort. The water is cold and clear as a crystal and everywhere the trout can be seen swimming about, while ducks and all kinds of water fowl abound there in great numbers. The artist cannot get a picture that would do justice to the grandeur of the stream that flows to the Oregon home of the Wall Street wizard.

The lodge itself is not a thing of beauty, but the very appearance suggests rest and recreation. All the buildings are crude and are in the main, that were built for the persons who lived at Pelican Bay in order to derive a subsistence, to spend a fortune in making the place comfortable for a season of the year. Since the place has passed into the hands of Harriman practically new buildings have been put up, all of the small cottages that were built some few years ago for the convenience of the few campers who came to the lodge for short outings have been remodeled and furnished with a view to making them comfortable and adapted to the needs of the resort owner.

In all parts of the grounds there are tents which are occupied by members of the party, who prefer to sleep in them instead of occupying quarters in the log houses and cabins. Though many improvements have been made in the lodge and modern heating and lighting methods supplant the fire, candles and the coal oil lamps, the place still has the appearance of a quiet farmer's home, where nature has lavished beauty with a generous hand.

The Modern Improvements.

Among the additions made to the place since it became the property of Mr. Harriman is the installation of an electric light plant, which furnishes light for every building on the grounds and also illuminates the grounds. The plant is run by a gas engine and is in the hands of an experienced man. In the private office of Mr. Harriman the click-click of the telegraph instrument is heard several hours every day and

most of the buildings are equipped with telephones so that communication can be held between the cottages. An ice plant has been installed at a big expense and the purest article that can be manufactured is supplied. The cabins that are occupied as sleeping quarters all have baths with hot and cold water, which is piped from large tanks to all parts of the grounds. Instead of the rattle of the old wagon is heard the chugging of the automobile, but the garage is hardly up to the average garage shed that one finds on a well kept farm. It consists of a log frame-work covered with canvas and under this improvised shelter are kept the two large machines which are in the charge of an experienced chauffeur. All of the buildings that are occupied by members of the party and also those of the employees are equipped in a modern way and everywhere there are twentieth century conveniences.

The Timbered Woods.

With the exception of the meadows bordering on the beautiful Pelican creek the grounds are mostly heavily timbered and form a shelter for wild animals. It is through this forest that Mr. Harriman has had an automobile road built connecting with Fort Klamath and Crater Lake. The woods are in their natural condition and the large pines and firs cover the mountains which lie to the north and west of the Bay. In the background of the lodge is majestic Mount McLaughlin (Mt. Pitt), snow-capped the year round, and at the base of this mountain is one of the best hunting grounds for deer and bear in the state of Oregon, or on the Pacific Coast, and it was in this section that Roland Harriman, the thirteen-year-old son of the magnate, succeeded in killing a big bear that has placed him in the foremost rank with the bear hunters of the country.

Shooting on the Lakes and Marshes.

Ducks and geese propagate in great numbers on the marshes bordering on the Upper Klamath Lake in the vicinity of the Harriman resort, and it is in this section that the sons of Harriman have enjoyed superb shooting. It is a comparatively easy matter for the amateur hunter to bag the limit, twenty-five birds, in a day's shoot. The season did not open until the first of September and it was for this that the party remained at the Bay for several days, so that the boys, Averell and Roland, might enjoy the pleasure of hunting ducks and geese as well as big game.

Hunting in the Hills.

On his visit to Klamath last year Mr. Harriman went into the hills himself in an attempt to bag a bear, but this year he left this to his sons, and he was very much delighted when the younger of the two succeeded in killing Mr. Bruin. A twinkle always appears in the eye of Papa Harriman when he tells visitors at the lodge how Roland killed the bear. The hide is nailed on the side of the main house and will doubtless occupy a prominent place in the Harriman palace on the banks of the Hudson.

Harriman At Home.

Mr. Harriman is not trying on any Roosevelt strenuousness. In fact, he seems to avoid everything that flavors of Rooseveltism. His sole aim appears to be recreation and rest. During the heat of the day he can be seen sitting in the shade of the lawn, reading, or may frequently be observed talking to Mrs. Harriman or one of the children. Usually one or both of his daughters are with him when he rests in the refreshing breeze that come from the snow-capped Mt. Pitt. He does not rise until after six and after breakfast several hours of his time are consumed in

tating messages to his secretary. In the evening he again takes up the burdens of a business life and devotes a few hours to answering the important messages that are received during the day. After dinner he spends most of his time in the little log cabin which he and Mrs. Harriman occupy.

A Dead Game Sport.

While fishing is exceptionally good in the immediate vicinity of the Harriman resort, it is as a rule difficult to catch trout in any way except by trolling, but on this Mr. Harriman draws the line. He is a dead game sport when it comes to fishing, and if he cannot get his game with a fly he does without fish. His main fishing ground is at the mouth of Crystal Creek, probably a mile from the lodge. He is towed to this place in his casting boat, sometimes accompanied by Mrs. Harriman, and spends a few hours casting the fly. He is very skillful at it and would make some of the champion casters ashamed of themselves. He succeeded in making a number of good catches and speaks very favorably of Klamath as a fishing ground.

Pleasures of the Party.

The members of the party have many things with which to amuse themselves. Those who enjoy hunting take to the woods or else to the swamps, while others go rowing, launch riding, trolling, automobiling or horseback riding. On the grounds there are two fine tennis courts and a rifle range.

The ladies of the Harriman party frequently go rowing and are quite expert with the oars. They row out onto the Bay where they go trolling, but usually they are accompanied by some masculine member of the party who does the rowing while the ladies do the trolling. The catches made by the Harriman daughters would do credit to many of the fishermen of this section and in several instances they have succeeded in landing trout that weighed approximately ten pounds.

Harriman Unknown.

Harriman may be well known in Wall street and in most parts of America and in some foreign lands that have been penetrated by the railroads, but some of the backwoodsmen of Oregon are not aware that such a man as Harriman exists, much less that he is spending the summer in Klamath county. While in the vicinity of the Harriman place the writer met a young man who resided in the woods and who was making one of his occasional trips to the nearest supply station, Fort Klamath, and as the fellow was wheeling a bicycle through deep sand he looked like one who might have been in civilization in recent years and one who would be at least almost up with the times for he was most certainly aware that the bicycle had been invented, but if he knew these things he was completely ignorant of the fact that Harriman had been invented and that the invention had been introduced to Pelican Bay.

It was shortly after lunch time and he said he had come a long ways and intended to stop at the lodge for the noon day meal, but before arriving there he was told that the outfit had had control of the place had quit serving meals and keeping travelers. He continued:

"What kind of an outfit is it anyway that has the place now?"

He was told that Pelican Bay now belonged to Mr. Harriman. He looked puzzled, then said:

"Harriman? Who is he? Didn't he used to live on 'Dead Injun' road?"

When he was told who Harriman is, he did not stop for further conversation and the last seen of him

he was pushing his bicycle through the sand. Mr. Harriman was very much pleased with this occurrence when he heard of it, for he felt sure that there was not a man in Oregon who had not heard of him, or at least of the "Harriman methods."

The Future of Pelican Bay.

Nothing authentic can be said as to the future of Pelican Bay at this time, but the indications are that within the next few years there will be developments which will make the Upper Klamath Lake one of the most noted Summer resorts on the American continent.

The agents of Mr. Harriman have been securing options on large tracts of land in the vicinity of the lodge, and they have already inquired into the cost of the delivery of one thousand yards of building sand at Pelican Bay. It is the belief of those cognizant with the conditions at the resort that Mr. Harriman will induce a number of the millionaires of the East to erect palaces overlooking the beautiful mountain lake and that within the next few years hundreds of people will come to Klamath every Summer to enjoy the invigorating mountain air and to bask in the sunshine of Southern Oregon.

It is an assured fact that the railroad will be extended from Klamath Falls and it will be an easy matter to build a branch to Pelican Bay, which would be justified by the heavy tourist travel.

Mr. Harriman has about 640 acres of land bordering on the Upper lake, but if he should succeed in purchasing the lands that are being considered by his agents he will control most of the available lands that border on Pelican Bay and the surrounding waters.

The signs indicate that as a result of Mr. Harriman's coming to Klamath this section is destined to become one of the most fashionable resorts of America and that his prediction that Klamath will be for Summer what Southern California is for Winter is not an idle dream.

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