

a war dance preparatory to attacking the settlers. Our advance guard of 36 first came in sight of them & immediately charged & poured a volley into them killing 24. they then pushed in with their sabres. The rest of the party coming up they charged in among them & in less than 3 hours we had killed over 100 of them. Most of the ind. escaped to the neighboring mts. We returned to camp being here absent 4 days. There was an abundance of food around Deer Creek, as there had been also at Bull Creek & other places after we left the Lone Juniper plain & at all of these places we let our horse feed all they wanted to in order to get them in good condition for our trip to Oregon. While we were at Deer Creek there were encamped on another creek about 12 miles S. from us a large number of emigrants bound for Oregon. Having received permission from the ment to have a barbecue we

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