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## WASATCH MOUNTAIN CLUB SCHEDULE FOR SEPTEMBER 1952

SEPTEMBER 6 BRIGHTON WORK TRIP - THE LODGE NEEDS A LOT OF  
7 WORK - COME AND JOIN IN THE FUN.  
LEADER: HAROLD GOODRO  
TRANSPORTATION: \$1.00  
DINNER - FREE FOR ALL WORKERS  
ROUND TRIP - 56 MILES.  
REGISTER AT CLUB HEADQUARTERS BY 5 P.M.  
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 5.

SEPTEMBER 14 BOX ELDER PEAK - INTERESTING PEAK BETWEEN  
AMERICAN FORK AND LITTLE COTTONWOOD CANYONS.  
ELEVATION 11,007 FEET - HAS THE MOST RECENT  
AND INTERESTING GLACIAL CIRQUE IN THE WASATCH  
RANGE. THE TOP OF THE PEAK IS PART OF THE  
TRAVERSE RANGE THAT HAS BEEN CARRIED UP BY  
FAULTING.  
LEADER: TOM DEGLAS - 87-2338  
LEAVE: 5:30 A.M. TRANSPORTATION \$1.50.  
BRING YOUR LUNCH. REGISTRATION CLOSES 5 P.M.  
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 12. ROUND TRIP - 105 MILES.

SEPTEMBER 21 WOOD GATHERING AT BRIGHTON - THE FUN WORK TRIP  
OF THE YEAR.  
LEADER: BOB MILMOE - 5-5729  
TRANSPORTATION \$1.00 - ROUND TRIP 56 MILES.  
DINNER FREE TO WORKERS. REGISTRATION CLOSES  
5 P.M., FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 19.

SEPTEMBER 28 WILLARD AND MT. BEN LOMAND (9,500 FT.) EASY  
AND INTERESTING. BILL KAMP, THE LEADER, PRO-  
MISES TO DRIVE WITHIN 30 MINUTES OF THE TOP  
OF WILLARD PEAK AND THEN ANOTHER 30 MINUTE  
HIKE TO MT. BEN LOMAND.

OCTOBER 5 WHITE PINE LAKE AND WHITE BALDY (11,082 FT.)  
LEAVE 7 A.M. - TRANSPORTATION \$1.00  
BRING LUNCH. REGISTRATION CLOSES 5 P.M.  
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4.

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### DEVIL'S CASTLE

BRIGHT AND EARLY SUNDAY MORNING, AS IT USUALLY IS WHEN PETE IS  
LEADER ON A HIKE, WE STARTED UP LITTLE COTTONWOOD CANYON. WE DROVE  
AS FAR AS THE ROAD WOULD TAKE US WHERE WE PARKED THE CARS AND  
STARTED UP THE TRAIL.

WE HIKE BY SECRET LAKE AND ON UP TO THE SADDLE. HERE PETE CALLED A CONFERENCE STATING THIS WAS THE LARGEST WMC GROUP TO CLIMB THE DEVIL'S CASTLE. TWENTY-FIVE MEMBERS AND GUESTS CLIMBED TO THE TOP. IT WAS A PHOTOGRAPHER'S HOLLIDAY WITH ALL OF THESE PEOPLE SWARMING OVER THE ROCKS AND THE THOUSANDS OF BUTTERFLIED WHICH WERE INHABITING THE AREA.

AFTER LUNCH ON TOP, THE GROUP CLIMBED NEARBY SUGARLOAF, STOPING ON THE WAY DOWN AT THE ALTA-GERMANIA HUT, EACH PERSON WITH A PIECE OF WOOD FOR THE WINTER'S SUPPLY. SOME OF THE MORE HARDY MEMBERS CLIMBED MOUNT BALDY. FROM HERE WE WANDERED DOWN THROUGH THE WILD FLOWERS THAT ARE SO PROLIFIC IN THIS AREA.

WHEN WE ARRIVED BACK AT CHIC AND MAXINE'S BARBEQUE PIT, WE FOUND HAMBURGERS FRYING AND PLENTY OF FOOD FOR ALL OF THE 44 PICNICERS AND HIKERS PRESENT.

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### LAKE DESOLATION

BY CARL BAUER

OUR LAKE DESOLATION "CRUISE" BEGAN WITH PROMISE OF FAIR WEATHER BUT ENDED SLIGHTLY SHORT OF ITS GOAL WHEN JOVE ROLLED UP A SQUADRON OF THUNDERHEADS AND RELEASED THE GRANDDADDY OF ALL DOWNPOURS. "COMMODORE" ROBERTS DIRECTED A SLOSHING RETREAT BACK TO THE PORT OF EMBARKATION WHERE MOST OF OUR REFRESHMENTS WERE RETRIEVED FROM THE SWOLLEN CREEK SOME DISTANCE BELOW WHERE THEY HAD BEEN HIDDEN. TO END A DAY WHICH SAW A BAND OF HEALTHY WOMACS CROSS A STREAM WITHOUT STARTING A WATER FIGHT DRY CLOTHING TOOK PRIORITY OVER NOURISHMENT - TEMPORARILY.

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### THE WIND RIVER VACATION TRIP

BY LEADER, HAROLD GOODRO

THE WEATHER LOOKED VERY THREATENING ON AUGUST 9, THIS YEAR AS OUR ANNUAL VACATION TRIP GOT UNDERWAY. THE RIDE UP THROUGH NORTHERN UTAH AND SOUTHERN WYOMING WAS VERY SCENIC WITH BLACK CLOUDS AND BRILLIANT LIGHTNING FLASHING ON THE HORIZON IN FRONT OF US ALL THE WAY UP. THE LEAD CAR, CONSISTING OF JANET C., LEE JENSEN AND MYSELF, AND PULLING A HEAVY TRAILER FULL OF THE WEEK'S FOOD AND SUPPLIES, WENT UP THROUGH PINEDALE, WYOMING AND ON TO JOE HICK'S RANCH TO GET THE FACTS FOR THE GROUP ON PACKING IN ON THE MORROW. THERE WE FINALLY CAUGHT UP WITH THE WEATHER AND A CLOUDBURST THAT LASTED AN HOUR. WE HAD QUITE A TIME SLIPPING AND SLIDING IN THE MUD FOR 12 MILES AS WE DROVE BACK TO PINEDALE TO MEET THE GANG.

THE TOWN WAS BRIMMING OVER WITH COWBOYS AND TOURISTS. WE STAYED IN TOWN UNTIL 11:00 ABSORBING THE LOCAL COLOR, THEN THREE CAR'S FULL DROVE UP TO ELKHEART PARK TO CAMP FOR THE NIGHT. UP BRIGHT AND EARLY FOR OUR HIKE INTO ISLAND LAKE BASE CAMP, A NICE FOURTEEN MILES OF SCENIC BEAUTY. BEAUTIFUL FORESTS, JAGGED PEAKS AND BLUE LAKES IN ENDLESS SUCCESSION PASSED BY TO MAKE THE HIKE APPRECIATED.

WE ARRIVED AT ISLAND LAKE A LITTLE TIRED BUT THE VIEW OF UPPER TITCOMB BASIN QUICKLY DISPELLED THAT. WHILE WAITING FOR THE PACK HORSES TO BRING OUR FOOD AND EQUIPMENT IN, WE STARTED LAYING OUT THE CAMP AND GATHERING FIREWOOD. THEY SOON ARRIVED, ALONG WITH SAMMY AND EDITH GREEN AND DR. AND MRS. RIDGES ON SADDLE HORSES. WE HAD GIVEN THESE FOUR UP FOR LOST, BUT THEY HAD ARRIVED JUST IN TIME TO GO IN WITH THE PACK TRAIN. WE NOW HAD 15 PEOPLE, THE LARGEST CLUB GROUP TO EVER GO INTO THIS AREA.

THAT EVENING IT RAINED AGAIN, BUT WE HAD A WONDERFUL STEAK DINNER, AND EVERYONE WENT TO BED CHEERFUL. THE NEXT DAY, MONDAY, CLYDE, LEE, GEORGE AND MYSELF PACKED UP OUR TENTS AND FOOD AND HIKEED FOUR MORE MILES UP INTO UPPER TITCOMB LAKE FOR OUR MOUNTAIN CLIMBING CAMP. THIS IS AT AN ELEVATION OF 10,600 FEET AND RIGHT AMONG THE HIGH JAGGED PEAKS AND HUGE GLACIERS THAT MAKE THE SPOT SO MUCH LIKE THE SWISS ALPS.

ON THE TUESDAY SCHEDULE WAS MT. GANNETT, 13,870 FEET, THE HIGHEST IN WYOMING. SO, WE STARTED OUT UP THE BASIN, OVER DINWOODY PASS, 12,500 FEET, THEN DOWN AND ACROSS THE HUGE DINWOODY GLACIER AND UP MIGHTY GANNETT. WE REACHED THE TOP AT 4:00 P.M. AND THEN HAD TO HURRY ALL THE WAY BACK TO CAMP TO GET THERE BY DARK. THE VIEW FROM THE TOP WAS TERRIFIC. YOU CAN SEE THE TETONS IN THE DISTANCE AS WELL AS HUNDREDS OF LAKES, PEAKS AND SNOWFIELDS IN EVERY DIRECTION. A LONG HIKE, BUT WELL WORTH EVERY STEP OF IT.

ON WEDNESDAY, LEE AND MYSELF DECIDED TO CLIMB MT. HELEN WHILE CLYDE AND GEORGE RESTED FOR THE DAY. HOWEVER, WE ENDED UP CLIMBING MOUNTAINS HELEN, SACAJAWEA AND FREMONT ALL IN ONE DAY AND ARRIVED BACK AT CAMP JUST AT DARK AGAIN.

THURSDAY, CLYDE, LEE AND MYSELF STARTED OUT TO CLIMB CATHEDRAL PEAK, 13,600 FEET. THE WEATHER WAS THREATENING BUT WE GOT AN EARLY START AND WAS ON TOP AT 11:30 A.M., JUST AS THE STORM BLEW IN. HAILSTONES LARGE AS MARBLES AND A STRONG WIND ADDED TO OUR DISCOMFORT. WE THEN DECIDED TO CLIMB CHURCH SPIRE SO IN SPITE OF THE HAIL AND SNOW AND LIGHTNING, WE DASHED TO THE TOP AND HAD TO PICK OUR WAY DOWN CARE-

FULLY AS TWO OR THREE INCHES OF HAIL AND SNOW WERE ON ALL THE LEDGES AND HANDHOLDS. WE HAD A WONDERFUL GLISSADE DOWN THE HUGE SNOWFIELDS AND ARRIVED BACK AT CAMP AT 3:00 P.M.

WE THEN PACKED UP AND HIKE BACK OUT TO THE BASE CAMP TO JOIN THE MAIN GROUP WHO HAD BEEN HAVING THE TIME OF THEIR LIVES FISHING, HIKING, PICTURE TAKING, LOAFING AND EATING. THAT DAY JANET, ROGER, TOM, ORSON AND PAUL K. HAD CLIMBED A 12,900 FOOT MOUNTAIN UP NEAR INDIAN PASS, AND SAMMY HAD CLIMBED UP TABLE TOP MOUNTAIN. TUESDAY, ROGER, TOM AND PAUL K. HAD CLIMBED FREMONT.

THE NEXT DAY, FRIDAY, WE RELAXED WHILE TOM AND PAUL K. CLIMBED ANOTHER PEAK ON THE WEST SLIDE OF TITCOMB BASIN AND GEORGE AND CLYDE CLIMBED FREMONT. IN ALL, THE GANG CLIMBED TEN BIG MOUNTAINS IN FOUR DAYS, SOME KIND OF A RECORD, I BELIEVE.

VERY BUSY FISHERMEN WERE PAUL AND ELIZABETH LARSEN, GEORGE, DR. AND MRS. RIDGES, AND ORSON SPENCER. THEY HAD A LOT OF GOOD LUCK TOO, AS SOME OF OUR PICTURES SHOW. THOSE TROUT DINNERS WERE WONDERFUL, TOO. SAMMY AND EDITH SPENT A LOT OF TIME TAKING PICTURES WHICH WE WILL ALL HAVE A CHANCE TO SEE SOON.

WE HAD A BEAUTIFUL DAY SATURDAY TO PACK OUT AND THE HIKE WAS ENJOYABLE, ENDING IN A COOL SWIM IN FREMONT LAKE, PAINFUL SHAVING OF A WEEK'S WHISKERS AND THEN INTO PINEDALE FOR A LITTLE CELEBRATING. SUNDAY MORNING WE TOOK ANOTHER SWIM IN THE LAKE, THEN LEISURELY DROVE THE CARS BACK TO SALT LAKE. IT WAS A VERY FULL AND COMPLETE WEEK AND ALL HANDS ENJOYED IT TO THE UTMOST. THINGS WE WILL REMEMBER:

EVERYONE'S SENSE OF HUMOR  
LEE J. SNORING AT NIGHT  
JANET, ELIZABETH AND ROGER WORKING TO MAKE CAMP  
LIFE MORE ENJOYABLE  
BREAD AND JAM  
ROGER'S PHOTOGRAPHY EQUIPMENT  
SAMMY'S FLOWER COLLECTION  
PAUL K.'S TENNIS SHOES  
HAROLD'S AVERSION TO CRAMPONS  
ORSON'S APPETITE  
TOM'S COFFEE MANIA

LAST BUT NOT LEAST, WE ALL WANT TO THANK SHIRLEY JENSEN AND ODELL PETERSEN FOR HELPING OUR TRIP TO BE A SUCCESS.

## LAKE BLANCHE

THE CLIMB STARTED AT 8:00 WITH ELIZABETH LARSON A GOOD TWO OR THREE PACES IN THE LEAD. WE HAD TO ASK HER TO SLOW DOWN SO THE REST OF US COULD KEEP PACE WITH HER. GUESS IT MUST BE A WIND RIVER TRAINING.

WE TOOK OUR TIME ON THE TRAIL ENJOYING THE SCENERY, ARRIVING AT LAKE BLANCHE ABOUT NOON. ERIN WANTED TO CLIMB THE SUN DIAL OR ONE OF THE OTHER PEAKS SURROUNDING THE AREA, BUT BY THE TIME WE HAD FINISHED OUR LUNCH AT THE WATERFALL, WE HAD CONVINCED HIM OTHERWISE.

WE ARRIVED BACK AT THE CARS AT 2:00 AND DECIDED TO GO UP TO THE LODGE TO SEE IF WE COULD NOT DO A LITTLE MORE PAINTING ON THE ROOF. WE GOT IN ABOUT THREE HOURS OF PAINTING WHICH DID SHOW PROGRESS. MAYBE WE WILL GET THIS DONE THIS YEAR, AFTER ALL.

## FUN TIME AT FRED SPEYERS

MANY THANKS TO FRED AND COKE SPEYER FOR HAVING THE WMC MEMBERS OUT TO THEIR COUNTRY HOME FOR A SWIM AND LAWN PARTY. THOSE WHO DID NOT GO IN SWIMMING REALLY MISSED SOME VERY GOOD WATER. LUNCH WAS SERVED TO 45 MEMBERS AFTER WHICH WE WERE ENTERTAINED WITH MOVIES COKE HAD TAKEN OF RIVER BOATING WHICH SHE AND FRED HAD DONE THIS SUMMER.

## KINGS PEAK

BY CARL BAUER

OUR EXPEDITION WAS CARRIED VIA WAY OF LONETREE, WYOMING INTO HENRY FORK HINTERLAND IN HAL CUTLER'S VALIENT DESOTO. WE CAMPED BESIDE, BUT FAILED TO SEE, A BRIDGE WHICH WOULD HAVE SUBSTANTIALLY REDUCED OUR NINE-MILE PACK TRIP TO "BASE CAMP." FROM THERE, WITH THE HELP OF FOREST SERVICE TRAIL MARKERS AND MAPS WE LOCATED AND CLIMBED KINGS PEAK AND RETURNED BY MOONLIGHT.

AS ONE VIEWS THE MAGESTIC MOUNTAINS AND GREAT CIRQUES, THE CONIFER AND ASPEN FORESTS AND CRYSTAL LAKES AND STREAMS OF THIS REGION WHICH, ACCORDING TO COMPETENT OBSERVERS, COMPARES SO FAVORABLY WITH THE WIND RIVER MOUNTAINS, HE MAY WONDER WHY IT AND OTHER OUTSTANDING AREAS MUST REMAIN IN RELATIVE OBSCURITY WHILE VACATIONING IN THE WIND RIVERS HAS BECOME AN "ANNUAL EVENT OF THE WMC." THOSE WHO WONDERED: HAROLD CUTLER, ROGER DORRELL, CARL ANDERSON, CHUCK DUNHAM, PAUL KNOWLTON, CARL BAUER.

GOOD NEWS: ROBERT GOODWIN WAS A MEMBER OF A FOUR-MAN PARTY WHO CLIMBED 20,269 FOOT MT. MCKINLEY IN ALASKA THIS SUMMER. THE NEWSPAPER READ: "THEY FAILED TO REACH THE SUMMIT ON THE FIRST TRY AND THEN STARTED BACK UP FROM THE 18,000 FOOT LEVEL, DECIDING IT WAS NOW OR NEVER." STARTED ON JULY 12TH AND MANAGED TO SNEAK UP BETWEEN STORMS. WE HAD TROUBLE WITH DEEP SNOW ALL THE WAY. WE REACHED THE SUMMIT AT 8:30 A.M. AND FOUND THE BAMBOO POLE WITH THE ORANGE BUNTING THAT HAD BEEN LEFT THERE IN 1947 BY THE BRADFORD WASHBURN PARTY. THE WEATHER WAS GOOD AND THEY STAYED ON TOP A FULL HOUR, TOOK PICTURES AND MANAGED TO RETURN TO 18,000 FEET LEVEL BEFORE STORM MOVED IN.

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### NEW MEMBERS

KENNETH R. TANNER - 2698 SOUTH 15TH EAST. PHONE 8-3064.

DO YOU HAVE A NEW PHONE NUMBER? CALL YOUR SECRETARY, COLEEN COX, 6-3355.

ANYONE INTERESTED IN EXPLORING CAVES IN THIS AREA CALL DR. W. R. HALLIDAY, 184 FOURTH AVENUE, PHONE 9-0762.

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A CHANGE HAS BEEN MADE ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS. CARL BAUER IS TRANSPORTATION DIRECTOR, REPLACING CHARLES ALEXANDER WHO HAS MOVED TO SAN FRANCISCO. SORRY TO SEE YOU LEAVE, CHIC.

IRENE GEURTS WAS AFFLICTED WITH POLIO WHILE LIVING IN LINCOLN, NEBRASKA. AFTER A TWO-MONTH SIEGE IN THE HOSPITAL SHE IS BACK IN SALT LAKE LIVING WITH HER BROTHER AT 1516 SOUTH 5TH EAST.

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JACK WHITE ANNOUNCED AT A RECENT PARTY THAT THE WASATCH MOUNTAIN CLUB HAD AGREED TO MAINTAIN MAYOR WATSON'S CABIN IN ALTA. JACK, HAROLD GOODRO, LEE JENSEN AND LEE STEORTS HAVE BEEN WORKING AT CLEANING UP THE CABIN AND A GENERAL WORK PARTY WILL BE THROWN THERE PRETTY SOON.

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