

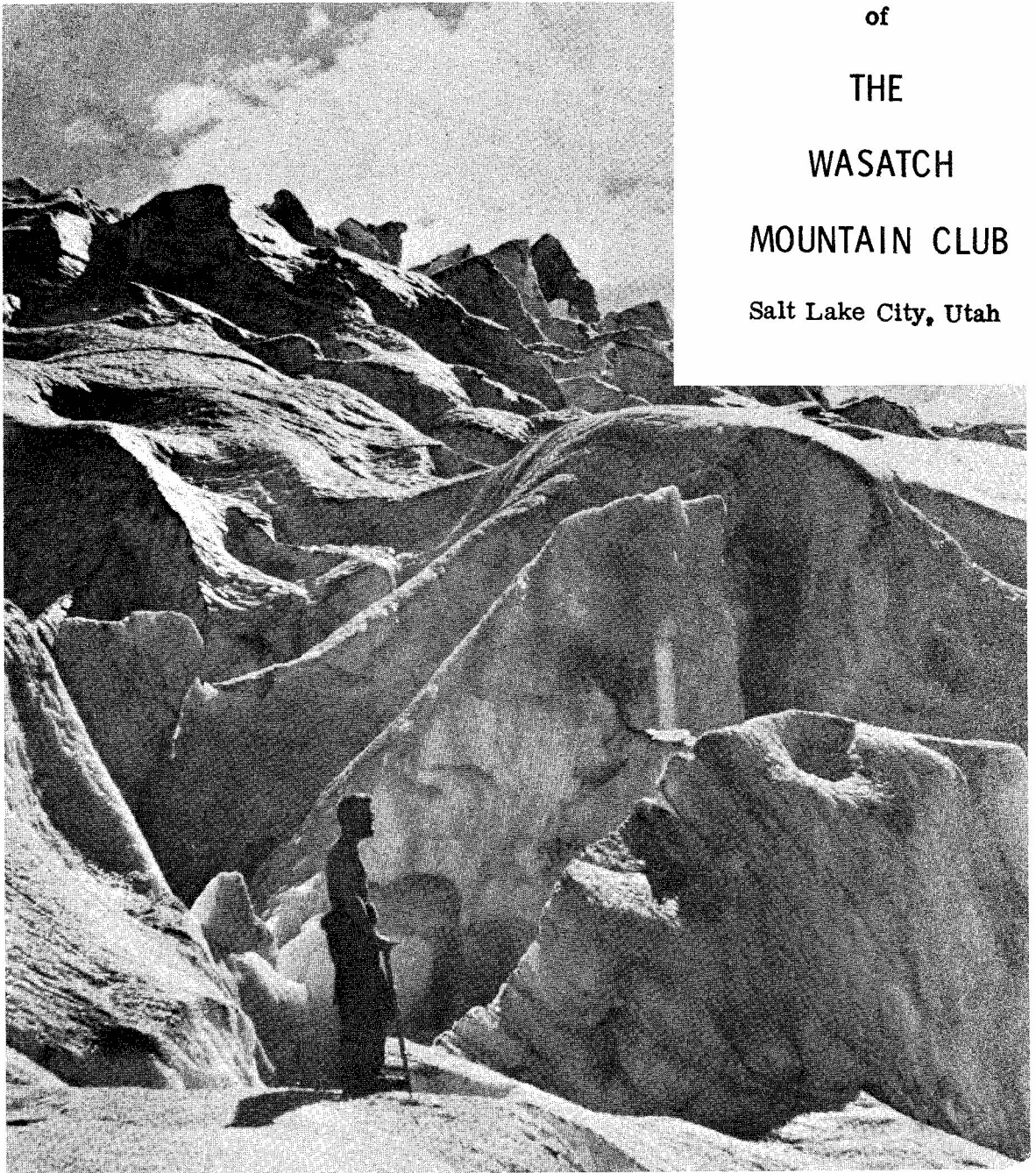
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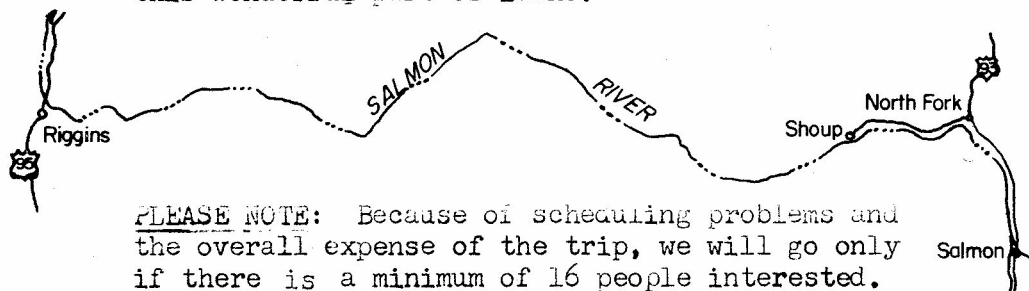
Register for all trips at Club Headquarters, 363-7150

- Jul 1 - 4 M T. R A I N I E R -- Climb the Northwest's most famous
Fri. - Mon. peak. Contact leader Harold Goodro (277-1247) for details.
- Jul 2 - 4 T E T O N S -- For those who can't make Mt. Rainier.
Sat. - Mon. Contact Dave Allen (278-0230) for details.
- Jul 2 - 4 L O D O R E A N D S P L I T M O U N T A I N -- Details
Sat. - Mon. in last Rambler. If you couldn't make this trip, we hope
to see you on the Salmon River and the Snake River!
- Jul 2 S U G A R L O A F F R O M A L B I O N B A S I N --
Sat. A fairly short hike to the peak above Secret Lake.
Elev 11,051, rating 3.5. Meet at mouth of Little Cotton-
wood Canyon at 8:00 am. Register before 6 pm Jul 1.
- Jul 3 M T. T U S C A R O R A - M T. W O L V E R I N E -- From
Sun. Albion Basin. We'll go to Katherine Pass, then over the
two peaks. Meet at mouth of Little Cottonwood Canyon at
7:30 am. Register before 5 pm Jul 2.
- Jul 2 - 4 L O D G E O P E N -- Get away from hectic city life over
Sat. - Mon. the long weekend and join host Steve Cole for a weekend
of superb hospitality. WE NEED HOSTS AND HOSTESSES FOR
JULY, AUGUST, AND SEPTEMBER. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO HELP,
PLEASE CALL SARAH WELLER (466-7325) FOR DETAILS.
- Jul 4 M T. S U P E R I O R -- From Alta. Elev. 11,132, rating
Mon. 5.0. Meet at mouth of Little Cottonwood Canyon at 7:00am.
Register before 5 pm Jul 2.
- Jul 7 C L I M B I N G A T S T O R M M O U N T A I N --
Thur. Excellent climbing! Personal instruction available -
just contact a mountaineering leader. Everybody is in-
vited. Refreshments afterwards.
- Jul 9 L A K E K A T H E R I N E F R O M L O D G E -- A lei-
Sat. sure stroll for those who are not in a hurry. Very good
beginner's hike. Meet at the WMC lodge at 9:00 am.
Register by 5 pm Jul 8. Elev. 10,220, rating 3.0.

COVER PHOTO by Ed LaChapelle of Bob Goodwin on the Lemna (?) Glacier
in Alaska.

- Jul 8 - 10 LODGE OPEN -- Helen Bander and son John will be
 Fri. - Sun. hostess and host. Bring any form of river trip pictures
 (snapshots, slides, movies) and projector. Bring supper.
 Come up Fri. evening for a long and enjoyable weekend.
- Jul 10 RED PINE CANYON, PFEIFFERHORN,
 Sun. BELL'S CANYON -- Rating 17.0. For strong,
 experienced hikers in good condition only. A long hike
 with a great deal of down-hill (after the long up-hill
 climb!). One of the most scenic hikes we take. Since
 you may find out why a certain peak and ridge are named
 Thunder Mtn. and Lightning Ridge, and because of the
 length of the hike, register with the leader by 5 pm Jul 9.
 Leader: Dale Green (277-6417).
- Jul 13 GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING --
 Wed. We'll elect (or re-elect) a Trustee, among other things.
 Time: 8:00 pm. Place: WMC lodge at Brighton. We'll have
 some beautiful slides to show, too, so come and enjoy a
 pleasant evening with your fellow club members.
- Jul 14 CLIMBING AT STORM MOUNTAIN--
 Thur. Personal instruction available on short multi-pitch
 climbs. Refreshments after the fun.
- Jul 16 - 31 CANADA 1966! -- Want a beautiful vacation? Come
 to the Canadian Rockies, to the "scenic wonderments" of
 the Mt. Robson area. To register and for more information,
 call Dennis Caldwell as soon as possible.
- Jul 16 NORTH FACE OF PFEIFFERHORN --
 Sat. EXPERIENCE CLIMB -- A serious alpine adven-
 ture. See "Mountaineering Ramblings" for the purpose of
 an experience climb. Contact Dave Allen (278-0230) to
 register and for details.
- Jul 16 DONUT FALLS -- Another leisure stroll for those
 Sat. who enjoy the sound of falling water. Meet at the mouth
 of Big Cottonwood Canyon at 8:30 am for the hike to these
 unusual falls. Register by 5 pm Jul 15. Leader: Richard
 Stenerson.
- Jul 17 MT. MAJESTIC FROM THE LODGE -- A
 Sun. beginner's hike, before and during which Dale Green will
 discuss and demonstrate the fundamentals of hiking. Every-
 one, especially non-members, are welcome. Meet at mouth of
 Big Cottonwood Canyon at 8:30 am. Register by noon Jul 16.

- Jul 16 & 17 LODGE OPEN -- Barbecues have been fun. The big charcoal brazier will be awaiting steaks, chicken, trout or 'burgers. Bring your own food and all the trimmings and eat in the cool, open air. Hostess, Jackie Thomas.
Sat. & Sun.
- Jul 17 M T. TIMPANO G O S -- Need more be said? Some may wish to camp Sat. evening and join the group at the beginning of the Timponeke trail. Some may wish to shuttle cars to Aspen Grove and hike up the Timponeke trail, slide down the snow field, and hike to Aspen Grove. Others may like to just stroll part way up the trail to view the flowers and scenery. Meet at Draper Crossroads (State routes 71 and 111 at Draper) at 7:05 am. Register by noon Jul 16. Leader: Pat Caywood (364-1717).
Sun.
- Jul 21 CLIMBING AT STORM MOUNTAIN -- Short climbs of varied difficulty, lead by qualified leaders, offered. Enchanting bull sessions; refreshments later. Everybody welcome.
Thur.
- Jul 23 - 30 SALMON RIVER TRIP -- Flowing nearly due west through Idaho, from North Fork to Riggins, the river passes through National Forests and one of our few remaining primitive areas. There are about 60 rapids in the 140-mile run, that vary in intensity from 1 to 6 on a rating scale of 1 to 10. There should be enough variety for even the most avid river fan. Some of our club members have stated that we take our trips too fast. If you have felt this way in the past also, here is the chance to spend at least 6 days on the river and have ample time to explore this wonderful part of Idaho.



PLEASE NOTE: Because of scheduling problems and the overall expense of the trip, we will go only if there is a minimum of 16 people interested. We can carry a maximum of 25. A work party is planned for Sun., Jul 17, at 1:00 pm at the Ice Plant, 430 W. 2nd N. Time and place of departure will be announced at the work party. Officially you are not registered until a deposit or the full \$35.00 trip price is paid. Please notify trip leaders Dave Cook (355-4086) or Nick Strickland at least 2 weeks before the trip starts if you will be going.

JOHN STAPLES has informed us that the Sierra Club is scheduling a trip down the Salmon about the same time we are. If you don't like to cook, they will furnish your food if you go with them. Their trip price is \$200.00. (That may not include transportation to and from Salt Lake City, however.)

- Jul 23 & 24 Sat. & Sun. FAMILY WEEKEND AT LODGE -- Children welcome to stay overnight with their parents. Plan to participate in a short Sun. hike and picnic. Hostess will be recent new member Donna Healey.
- Jul 23 - 25 Sat. - Mon. WIND RIVER MOUNTAINS -- A climbing and hiking trip to the Wind Rivers has been tentatively scheduled; however, Dave may be persuaded to go to other areas -- perhaps Longs Peak in Rocky Mountain Nat. Park. Call Dave Allen (278-0230) as soon as possible and let him know what you would like to do.
- Jul 23 Sat. AMERICAN FORK TWINS - WHITE PINE -- In the winter, this trail is considered the longest downhill ski run from Alta. The Twins from Albion Basin is rated 7.5. Expect a considerable amount of ridge work and bouldering. No technical work, though. Meet at the mouth of Little Cottonwood Canyon at 7:15 am. Register by 5 pm Jul 22.
- Jul 24 Sun. HONEYCOMB CLIFFS FROM LODGE -- An intermediate hike past empty Twin Lakes to the Honeycomb Cliffs. Meet at the WMC lodge at 9:00 am. Register by noon Jul 23. Leader: Carl Bauer.
- Jul 28 Thur. CLIMBING AT STORM MOUNTAIN -- Beat the heat - come up to Storm and cool off. Climb, hike, gab. Refreshments afterwards.
- Jul 30 Sat. LAKE BLANCHE -- A good trail. Rating of 5.0. Some may wish to camp out Sat. evening at this mountain retreat far from the heat, smog, noise, and lights of the valley. Meet at 7:30 am at the mouth of Big Cottonwood Canyon. Register by 5 pm Jul 29. Leader: A. Whitehead.
- Jul 31 Sun. NATURE WALK FROM THE LODGE -- Mike Treshow will give a course in Alpine flora. Such a course should be welcome at this time. Half the summer has gone and quite possibly you still don't know the yellow flowers from the blue flowers, or from the white ones. Here's your chance to find out. Meet at the lodge at 10:00 am.

- Jul 30 & 31
Sat. & Sun. LODGE OPEN -- Hostess, Phyllis Anderson.
Entertainment and even a party is in store for those attending. Dancing, singing, even a laugh or two. Bring your own commissary.
- Jul 31 to
Aug 6 CLIMBING IN NORTH PALISADES GROUP, SIERRA NEVADA -- Contact Dave Allen (278-0230) for details.
- Aug 6
Sat. REYNOLDS PEAK VIA DOG LAKE --
Rating 4.5. Usually there is at least one scheduled hike a year during which leader and group lose their way. It once happened on this trip, believe it or not. Register by 5 pm Aug 5. Meet at mouth of Big Cottonwood Canyon at 8:00 am for some excitement!
- Aug 7
Sun. WHITE PINE - RED PINE - PFEIFFERHORN -- If you've noticed that the Pfeifferhorn is usually listed several times a summer, it's because this mountain is one of our favorites. The hike can be divided into the White Pine portion (hiking along a road), White Pine - Red Pine (hiking across some boulders), and the Pfeifferhorn. Rating is 10 + . Meet at mouth of Little Cottonwood Canyon at 7:00 am. Register by noon Aug 6. Leader: John MacDuff.
- Aug 13 & 14
Sat. & Sun. CEDAR BREAKS NATIONAL MONUMENT -
We'll camp at a cool 10,000 feet among the alpine pastures and make an exploratory hike down into the Breaks along Ashdown Creek to Coal Creek.
- Aug 19 - 22
Fri. - Mon. UINTA BACKPACK FOR CONSERVATION
PLEASE NOTE: The boundaries for the Uinta Wilderness area, as proposed by the Forest Service, include most of the current Primitive area and a major extension to the east. On the south, however, a large deletion of nearly 40,000 acres in the vicinity of Moon Lake is proposed. The WMC is planning an official field audit into this area on Aug 19 - 22. Primary attention will be given to a high basin situated about six air-miles northwest of Moon Lake. We urgently need volunteers for this audit, especially persons with professional training in geology, botany, ecology, forestry, etc. Anybody going anywhere into the Uintas this summer who can look at the new boundaries in the field and is willing to write a brief report, please contact Bill Viavant (364-9684 or 322-5623).

Sep 3 - 5 T E T O N N A T I O N A L P A R K -- Our annual Labor day trip to the Tetons. Climbing, hiking, and river running. Perhaps even an evening in Jackson!

Sep 17 & 18 G R E A T B A S I N D E S E R T -- Notch Peak, or perhaps Haystack Peak.

During October: Z I O N N A R R O W S ----- C A N Y O N L A N D S.

REYNOLD'S PEAK

by C. L. Keller

On Sunday morning, May 29, 1966, twelve hikers started up the trail toward Dog Lake. The weather was clear; the air was comfortably warm; and the vegetation was a brilliant green in the morning sun. The water in Dog Lake was quite high, giving the lake a more scenic appearance than it usually offers the hiker. The climb from Dog Lake to Reynold's Peak is short, but each step broadened the view. When the peak was reached, the hikers were rewarded with a view of the Wasatch Mountains south of Big Cottonwood Canyon. The scene, stretching from Twin Peaks to the west all the way to Scott's Peak to the east, was heavily patched with remnants of the winter's snow. Reynold's Peak itself still wore a deep snow drift on its northeast shoulder, but was otherwise covered with lush grass and many wild flowers.

After eating lunch on this "very desirable piece of real estate", as one of the hikers described the peak, the group returned by a slightly different route, bypassing Dog Lake, but still descending Mill D North Fork. The group, including Art and Betty Whitehead, Gerry Worthen, Jan Orosz, John Riley, Boone, Kurt, and Steven Newson, and Charles Keller, was host to three guests and prospective members -- Helen Brown, Yvonne Dehm, and Lora Carlton.

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DOLORES RIVER TRIP

by Chuck Cronenwett

Amid non-directed grumbling over scheduling a river trip and a beginning session of a climbing class on the same weekend, a few of the rock rodents joined the numerous river rats in May for a run down the spectacular Dolores River in Colorado.

By 7:00 pm, loading was completed and the WMC bus took smooth departure. Strangers soon became friends amid the rustle (and clink) of lunches boxed (and bottled). With Max Tyler and John MacDuff competing for the smoothest shifter, 26 souls, sandwiched between and over packs, boats, and miscellaneous gear gradually drifted off toward sleep and Colorado. The false dawn found us at Slick Rock Bridge, 20 miles east of Monticello with time for a few more hours of sleep. By the time the sun climbed over the canyon walls, breakfast was down, cooking and camping gear stowed, and the boats launched in roily water of the late spring runoff. The rapids were quite moderate and floating seemed in order with only a few of the boat captains compulsive enough to insist on paddling.

The first few hours were spent scanning maps carefully marked for rapids. "Now let's see, there was supposed to be a #4 along here someplace."

As we drifted down stream, the gray-greens and browns of the uranium-rich Morrison formation gave way to the deep reds and ochres of the massive cliff-forming sandstones of the Entrada and Wingate. Much of the time these red walls towered 500 to 700 feet above the boats. Occasionally a beaver startled by our approach slapped his tail and continued his swim underwater. And deer stared and trotted nervously along the banks as our black boats whispered by. The wind and high clouds that made the morning cool disappeared and by noon the search among the packs for sun lotion was on.

At dusk, the lead boat pulled in at a sand shore covered with short grass and oak brush. Quite soon various groups were enjoying camp fires, cocktail hour, cooking food and conversation. After dark, Carl Bauer pointed out constellations to anyone who was interested. The stars were especially distinct, even more so in the absence of city lights.

A windless, warm, insect-free night made for perfect sleeping. Trip Leader Cook stirred the troops at 5:30 am and the second day was underway. It was another cure for ulcers (except for compulsive paddlers) with blue skies, warm weather and placid floating. One #4 with the familiar hay stacks provided interest and a break in the stillness. An object lesson in boat patching, with two working and twelve offering advice livened-up the afternoon. Finally one last bend near Bedrock and the trusty bus was in view. By 5:50 pm we were again rumbling back toward jobs, alarm clocks, stop lights, etc, that for 48 hours had been forgotten down along the Dolores. Members of the Dolores Expedition

were Patsy Cossey, Barbara Evans, Carl Bauer, Fred Bruenger, Eveline Bruenger, Ellen Catmull, Marie Shields, Nick Strickland, Helen Long, Elissa Stevens, Phil Wennhold, Ann Ruhmann, Jan Orosz, Helen Bander, Ed Bander, Laird Crocker, Ann McDonald, Leon Edwards, Dave Cook, Lynn Roseman, Bud Temple, Larry Sandberg, Dordy Woodruff, John MacDuff, Max Tyler, and Chuck Cronenwett.

CLIMB OF DIKE PINNACLE ON MIDDLE TETON by Dave Allen & Jack McLellan

The weekend of June 18 & 19, 1966, proved to be a popular time for WMC mountaineers to visit the Tetons. There were WMC climbers spread from the Middle Teton to Mt. Moran. Two parties, climbing independently, had chosen the dike route on the Middle Teton. This route is the longest, and one of the most interesting, on the Middle Teton (NCCS III F5).

Both parties put up high camps in Garnet Canyon on Saturday. The first party up included Steve Swanson, Pete Hovingh, Phil Novak, and Jack McLellan. They arrived fairly early, set up camp, and hiked a bit over half way to the lower saddle between the Grand and Middle Tetons. Glissading on the way down was tremendous! The second party was made up of Harold Goodro, Milt Hokanson, Bob McIntyre, and Dave Allen.

After a quick breakfast and about an hour's hike on the steep snow, Steve, Pete, Phil and Jack started on the dike itself about 5:30 am on Sunday. Harold, Milt, Bob and Dave got a more leisurely start, arriving at the dike about 7:30 am. The rock of the dike is most interesting and enjoyable. The foot holds slope downward, but the more than adequate hand holds are upsloping. The first few pitches of the dike are relatively high-angle, but the rock is more solid and much better than one might think from a distance. It looks darn near impossible from a head-on view down canyon. The rock was of moderate difficulty, with only a few pitons used for belay anchors and a couple for protection on the hardest part of the dike several leads up. The upper portion of the ridge eases off considerably, and only rock scrambling and crossing of some small but exposed snow fields put us on top the Dike Pinnacle.

The view from the Pinnacle is impressive. The huge Grand Teton towered over everything, of course. What a beautiful, complicated chunk of rock it is! We could see the ascent tracks of a party who had recently ascended the South Teton, and the long, curving tracks made as they glissaded down the snow fields. Nez Perce dominated the southeastern view. Our camp way below in Garnet Canyon was just a tiny blue speck along the stream.

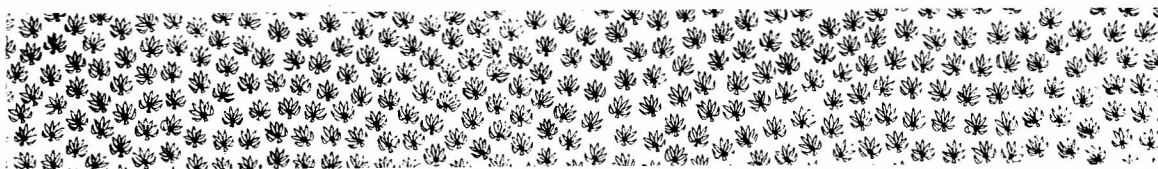
Snow conditions on the upper part of the Middle Teton looked far from ideal. Very steep snow covered most of the remaining route. The day was quite warm, and cornices breaking far above near the summit fell

regularly, causing small but very swift-moving avalanches. So we made the decision that every party hates to make, but often must because of snow conditions, weather, or other uncontrollable factors -- the "objective dangers" of high mountains -- and began the descent. The Dike Pinnacle had proven to be a worthwhile climb in itself.

The first group began rigging rappels from the Dike Pinnacle to the tiny, narrow, uncomfortable ridge between the Pinnacle and the gendarme just below it. Two more rappels brought the first group to a finger of the Ellingwood Couloir. The snow was very steep in the couloir, and it was soft and slick. Because of the narrowness of the snow field, and the rock which jugged into and up through the snow, even controlled glissading was nearly impossible. Ice axe belays, plunge stepping, and step kicking provided a safe but slow descent down the endless Ellingwood Couloir.

The second group, led by that crafty old mountain fox, Harold Goodro, descended the Pinnacle ridge to a large couloir leading to the Middle Teton glacier. Glissading brought the second party swiftly back to camp.

It seems that not many climbs on the Middle Teton, other than by the southwest couloir and north ridge, are made each year. Perhaps the club should pay a bit more attention to this peak and some of its lesser-known routes. Its summit (12,798 ft.) and even the Dike Pinnacle (about 12,200 ft.) are both worthwhile ascents.



RADIO FOR BUS

by George Smith

The club wishes to extend a "thank you" to Earl T. (Lonesome Erl) Hansen for his recent donation of a car radio for use in our bus. The radio has been installed and can be used to provide soothing (?) music throughout the bus, or just for the driver. This addition to the bus should reduce the monotony of hours of tiring driving for our volunteer drivers.

Editor's note: A thanks to George himself, who put the radio in, and who has done a myriad of other jobs on the bus, some long and complicated ones. He has saved the club many dollars in repairs, and has kept the bus in good operating condition for our trips. George and all the others who have helped him deserve a heck of a big pat on the back.

MOUNTAINEERING RAMBLINGS by D. Allen

Although the beginner's climbing class for 1966 is over, other instruction is available. The most obvious time for instruction, of course, is the Thursday evening sessions, usually at Storm Mountain. Besides multi-pitch practice climbs, seminars on particular aspects of climbing will be given. Seminars will consist of lecture and practice.

This season the WMC is inaugurating a new approach to one-day practice climbs -- the experience climb. The goal is to combine practice with the alpine adventure of attaining a prominent summit. These climbs are designed to be both strenuous and adventurous; as such, they will be good training for longer climbs.

Weekend trips are also planned to the Tetons, Wind Rivers, etc. Reaching summits in these ranges is guaranteed to be more strenuous; however, they are equally more enjoyable than lesser climbs, and are within the reach of good hikers. Climbing routes vary from fairly easy to difficult.

Remember that climbing is composed of technical skill, judgement, desire, and physical conditioning. The WMC can help on the first two, and partially on the conditioning. The individual must supply the rest of the effort for conditioning, and most important -- the desire.

Contact any mountaineering leader if you have questions about technique, practice, equipment, ability, or particular climbs -- that's what we're here for.

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The revised notice of the Kolob trip appeared in the May "Rambler" too late for most people to plan a week-end trip. Hence, the group that made the trip included only nine hikers. We left Salt Lake City in the Viavant bus Friday evening and spent the night at the Taylor Creek entrance to Kolob. Since the gate on the new Park Service road was open, we took the liberty of driving in to the South Fork of Taylor Creek, thereby saving three miles of backpacking. We had intended taking the bus back to the entrance again, to avoid finding ourselves locked inside the next day; but while we were unloading our packs, a Park Service employee drove up and told us that they would leave the gate open. Therefore, we left the bus at Lee's Pass instead and were spared another three miles of backpacking on the way out.

Saturday was spent in the Beatty-Nagunt Canyon, exploring all the many nooks, glens, overhangs, and boxes. Carl and June climbed the very steep slope to the head of the canyon to see what was on the other side (another canyon) while the rest of the party continued the exploring. On Sunday morning we hiked down Timber Creek and into the canyon on the south side of Nagunt Mesa. This one, too, held many delights. After following the creek back into the canyon, it became apparent that we might be able to climb to the head of this canyon too. Four of the party did make the climb, but not without considerable effort. The upper slope was very steep and choked with oak; it offered an almost impenetrable bushwhack. As an added attraction, the ground beneath the oak was also covered with cactus. However, the view at the top was just compensation; had we had more time we might have descended the other side, just to see what wonders might have been hidden there.

The return down through the canyon to Timber Creek was punctuated by repeated showers, adding to the WMC tradition about Kolob that was begun last November. A short climb up the trail brought us back to Lee's Pass and the bus. Before leaving Kolob, we drove to the end of the Park Service road, high on the ridge across Timber Creek from the Fingers. The view from this road is slightly more than fantastic; a visit to this section of Zion Park is certainly in order for all members after it is officially opened -- if for no other reason, just to see the view.

The Kolob hikers included Bill and June Viavant, their sons Steven and Peter, Scotty Imber, Bud Temple, Nick Strickland, Carl Bauer, and Charles Keller.

The Board is investigating the possibility of publishing a calendar for 1967. The calendar would be printed on fine, heavy gloss paper. It would have a quality black & white photograph on it, and a short quotation pertaining to conservation for each month would appear on it. Each calendar would sell for \$2.50 to \$3.00. The goal of the project is to provide more money for our conservation fund so it may operate more effectively.

Problems associated with the investigation are:

1. Obtaining sufficient quantity of excellent photographs from large-format negatives which may be enlarged to at least 9 by 12 in.
2. Obtaining sufficient financial backing.
3. Determining potential sales volume and establishing a distribution system.
4. Establishing a workable time schedule.

The first point we hope to have solved in part by the general membership. We would like to have 8 x 10 or larger prints submitted to Jack McLellan, Tom Stevenson, Bill Viavant or Charlie Keller by NO LATER THAN Thursday, July 28. The photographs should be of subjects either action or still, taken in the intermountain region (from the Tetons to Grand Canyon). Photos used will receive credit on the calendar. Owners will receive a free calendar.

The second problem is being tackled by Bill Viavant. Anyone wishing to help the club help itself is urged to call Bill (364-9684) as soon as possible. The club doesn't have the capital necessary to carry the initial cost of this project. We are asking members to make the WMC a loan until calendars are sold, after which the lenders will be repaid and hopefully the conservation fund increased an appreciable amount.

Bill and others are working on the third problem. For the project to be a financial success, outlets for the calendars must be found in other areas and perhaps business firms in addition to our own members and friends. If anyone has connections or can make inquiries about promoting sales of such a calendar, please contact Bill Viavant (364-9684), Charlie Keller (487-7137), Jack McLellan (277-7214), or Tom Stevenson (364-5268) as soon as possible, like NOW!

The last point has been investigated. It is possible to have at least 1000 calendars by November 1st, if we begin work immediately.

The Board requests that anyone having detailed knowledge of this type endeavor please call one of the above mentioned people right away.

What are you using for a calendar now? Wouldn't you like to have one with pictures of mountable quality of your mountains and valleys?

Vivian Higginbotham has graciously offered to take over the mailing of The Rambler. She will be in charge of the collating, addressing, stamping, stapling, and mailing. In addition she will maintain the membership list. Any changes of address, corrections, or request for Ramblers not received should be given to Vivian from now on. Her address is 4197 Coral St., SLC 84117; phone, 277-7555. I'm sure that she would welcome your offer to help her. New members, here's your chance to do something useful for your club! (Thanks a lot, Vivian.)

While on a business trip to the San Francisco area the first part of June, I had a chance to see the devastation of the San Bruno Mountains south of San Francisco. After the initial shock wore off, I fully understood John Staple's comment in his letter published in last month's Rambler -- "Here in California one tends to become somewhat paranoid about flagrant disregard for our scenic and, in fact, health future." The once-beautiful San Bruno Mountains are not being merely scraped and built upon in a few places, but the entire ground cover is being stripped off, the tops of the hills leveled, and the sides terraced. Houses of the same general cheap design are crowded in on the hillsides. Not a tree is visible; only the dirt and dust common to ground stripped of its cover and top soil can be seen. Long live the tract developers.

My first thought when viewing some of the South San Francisco-Daly City areas was one of pure disgust -- then pity for the people having to live in the places. How in hell can people exist in developments like that, with absolutely no chance to exhibit individualism, with no incentive to do so, without going stark, raving insane?

Leveling the mountains and destroying all flora and fauna is bad enough, but causing people to live like rats in a cage is far less humane or desirable than an occasional atomic war to clear away the cities and the population, to my way of thinking. I can't see where subdivisions of the type exhibited south of San Francisco are much better psychologically than Harlem or Watts.

After I got home I dug out a "folk" song from my collection written by Malvina Reynolds, and made popular by Pete Seegar a couple years ago, called, Little Boxes:

"Little Boxes on the hillside, Little Boxes made of ticky-tacky,
Little Boxes on the hillside, Little Boxes all the same.
There's a green one and a pink one and a blue one and yellow one
And they're all made out of ticky-tacky and they all look just the same.
And the people in the houses all went to the university,
Where they were put in boxes and they came out all the same.
And there's doctors, and there's lawyers, and business executives,
And they're all made out of ticky-tacky, and they all look just the same.

And they all play on the golf course and drink their martini dry,
And they all have pretty children, and the children go to school,
And the children go to summer camp and then to the university,
Where they are put in boxes and they come out all the same.

And the boys go into business and marry and raise a family
In boxes made of ticky-tacky and they all look just the same ---"

If you can, get hold of a copy of The Saturday Evening Post, June 18, 1966, issue. It contains a long article, with pictures, called, "The Rape of the Land." The article states; "As our cities spread out cancerously in all directions, we are destroying -- for profit -- too many of the green and open places we need to make life livable." It's worth reading. My copy is available for loan, as long as I get it back.

None of this can happen in good old Salt Lake City? Look again, up Little and Big Cottonwood Canyons, along Wasatch Blvd, and Kearns.

Seems like good old Senator Moss is all for Marble and Bridge Canyon dams in the Grand Canyon -- must be wonderful to ignore economic and ethical facts; however, he is sponsoring the Antelope Island Park bill. I guess that's a pretty fair exchange, Antelope Island for the Grand Canyon.

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To Board of Directors:

I hereby apply for membership in the Wasatch Mountain Club.
I enclose \$2.00 entrance fee and \$6.00 annual dues. The scheduled
event I have attended is _____
on _____ (approx. date). I agree to abide by all
rules and regulations of the club.

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