

The Rambler

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club activities for June 1973

REGISTRATION INFORMATION: Registration is generally not required for members participating in easy or intermediate hiking (Rating below 7.0). Unless specifically stated, advanced hikes (Rating above 7.0) require registration

with the leader. Adequate equipment is an absolute must. You cannot participate in these events if you have not shown your ability on other hiking activities and if you do not have adequate and well broken in boots with good Vibram type soles and suitable protective clothing. Special equipment like an ice axe etc. may also be specified and you are required to be able to handle such equipment. Remember that these restrictions are set for your own safety and that of your fellow members. For rules regarding participation of children consult the May Rambler 1972. Register for bus trips with the leader only by sending a deposit to the address listed. Leaders cannot register anyone without a deposit.

For bus trip cancellations less than a week prior to the trip, the Club must retain a \$5.00 registration fee.

- June 2 MT. MAJESTIC-EL. 10,721 - Rating 4.5
Sat. This is an easy, short hike for all those who want to get away from it all. Clayton (Majestic) Peak offers a pleasant and easy activity for the beginning hiker. Meet at the mouth of Big Cottonwood Canyon at 8:00 a.m.
Leader: Virginia Hilliard.
- June 2 BUTTERFIELD PEAK - El. 9,303 - Rating 3.0
Sat. Here's the opportunity to do something different. Butterfield is in the Oquirrh near the Kennecott Mine. Meet at 4816 South Redwood Road (Albertson's) at 8:00 a.m.
Leader: Marilyn Bateman.
- June 2 SOUTH RIDGE OF MT. SUPERIOR SNOW CLIMB. This beautiful alpine route is a worthwhile scramble even if all the snow has melted. This one has quite a bit of exposure. The usual skills and equipment are required. Register with Paul Horton, 262-4695, by Friday, June 1. Time: 7:00 a.m. Place: The mouth of Little Cottonwood Canyon.
- JUNE 2 Clayton Peak. This will be a beautiful hike this time of Saturday year. Leader: ???

JUNE 2 & 3 San Rafael River Kayak and Canoe Trip. It looks like a
Saturday very good water year for this easy and scenic float in a
Sunday deep canyon through the San Rafael Bridge campground is
excellent for both kayaks and open canoes. Register by
May 30 with Jim Byrne, 582-5631, so that shuttle arrangements
may be made in advance.

JUNE 2 & 3 Family River Trip - I will reiterate the plea in last year's
Saturday RAMBLER. There has been a problem in the past soliciting
Sunday leaders for these trips, so interested persons are encouraged
to step forth. In addition, there has been a shortage of
parents experienced in river running, thereby leaving the
boats underpowered and placing the burden of responsibility
on a few. As such, parents will be required to have been
on at least one beginner trip or the consent of the Trip
Leader. This step is necessary to insure the safety of
both your family and others sharing your boat.

June 3 WILDCAT RANGE VIA MT. RAYMOND- El. 10,242 - Rating 18.0
Sun. This is the first beat out hike of the year and probably
the most difficult hike in the Wasatch. If you want a hike
that requires strength, endurance, knowledge, and the
manipulation of exposure, come along. You must, however,
be in excellent condition and register with the leader.
Meet at the mouth of Big Cottonwood Canyon at 6:00 a.m.
Leader: Caine Alder (487-0485).

June 3 AYRE PEAK - El. ? - Rating 4.0
Sun. This is another new addition. The Abrams tell us this is
a great hike as they have done it several times. Meet at
the Chevron Station 1 3/4 miles north of Lagoon at the
junction of U.S. Highway 89 and State Highways 273 and 272,
near the Cherry Hill Campground. Time: 8:30 a.m. Leader:
Gerri Abrams (376-5155-Kaysville).

June 6 GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING - Carol and Del Wiens will share
Wed. slides of their African Safari with us. Also refreshments.
Meet at Zion Lutheran Church, 1070 Foothill Drive, at 7:30pm.

June 7 EVENING CLIMBING AT STORM MOUNTAIN. Come out and enjoy the
Thurs. multi-pitch practice climbs. Beer and hamburgers
available for a small fee.

June 7 THURSDAY EVENING HIKE - Mill B, North Fork to Overlook.
Thurs. This is the first in a series of popular summer evening
hikes. The length and pace are suitable for beginners,
tired people, newcomers to the area and anyone who wants to
get away from the city. Meet at the reservoir parking lot
at the Storm Mountain Picnic Area at 7 p.m. (Turn left just
after the second bridge and follow the dirt road next to the
stream.) Bring a jacket. Leader: Dale Green, 277-6417.

- June 7 TERRACES TO BOWMAN FORK - Family Hike
 Thurs. Come join this mid-week hike. Take that opportunity to get away and do this great hike in Millcreek Canyon. The hike is about three miles round trip. Leader: Liz Choules. Time: 10:30 a.m. Meet at Log Haven parking lot. Be sure to bring a lunch.
- June 9 LONE PEAK - El. 11,253 - Rating 11.0
 Sat. Here's another beat out hike for the hale and hearty. This hike will take us into the heart of the new proposed wilderness area. Meet at Draper Crossroads, 12300 South 7th East at 6:00 a.m. Register with Leader, Dick Bell. 254-4555
- June 9 MILLICENT - El. 10,425 - Rating 3.0
 Sat. This is an easy hike from the Lodge. The downhill route may offer some interesting exercise on boulder hopping. Meet at the mouth of Big Cottonwood Canyon at 8:00 a.m. Leader: Jack Spears.
- June 9,10 Mike and Mary Belangie will be our hosts for an open-lodge
 Sat.Sun. week-end. Take advantage of this opportunity for fun and relaxation. They suggest that this be a family week-end, so bring your own food, utensils (remember the limited facilities at the lodge and sleeping gear. Please call Mike or Mary, 486-9440, and let them know you'll be there. It will be a loose-week-end with hiking and whatever the heart desires for a good-time---remember there will be children present.
- Jun 9-10 LODGE OPEN
 Sat-Sun
- JUNE 9-12 Yampa - Green River Trip, Intermediate. Come join us on
 Saturday this beautiful stretch of river from Deer Lodge, Colorado
 Tuesday through Dinosaur National Monument to Vernal, Utah.
 Reservations made by sending \$5.00 to the leader. Total cost will be about \$25.00 plus food costs. Balance to
- June 10 LAKE MARY - El. 9,560 - Rating 1.5
 Sun. Lake Mary is one of the most beautiful lakes in the Wasatch and it's just a short hike from the Lodge. Kids over six years old are welcome. Meet at mouth of Big Cottonwood Canyon at 9:00 a.m. Leader: Barbara May.
- June 10 GOEBLER'S KNOB - El. 10,246 - Rating 6.5
 Sun. Gobbler's Knob got its name from the turkeys which miners tried to raise in the area when their mines played out, no turkeys now...bobcats ate them...just lots of beautiful scenery. Meet at The Movie at 8:00 a.m. Leader: Don Coleman.

- June 10 HAYDEN PEAK SNOW CLIMB- To cap off the snow climbing season,
Sun. we will ascend this fine peak near Mirror Lake in the Uintas.
Some may wish to go up and camp the night before. If the road
is not yet open we will try again on Sunday, the 17th. Call
Paul Horton, 262-4695, by Friday June 8th for the time and
meeting place. The usual skills, equipment, and registration
are required.
- June 14 THURSDAY EVENING HIKE - Butler Fork to the saddle. Meet
Thurs. at Storm Mountain (see June 7th for instructions) at 7 p.m.
Leader: Dale Green, 277-6417.
- June 14 EVENING CLIMB AT STORM MOUNTAIN
Thurs.
- June 15 GRANDEUR PEAK MOONLIGHT - El. 8,299 - Rating 4.5
Fri. This moonlight hike affords the opportunity to watch the
lights come on all over the valley and then return by
moonlight. Bring a flashlight...seems inconsistent? ? ?
Meet at The Movie at 7:00 p.m. Leader: Lauren Williams.
- June 16 BEGINNER TEENAGE RIVER TRIP - We will leave Salt Lake at
17, Sat. 6:00 p.m. Friday and camp on the banks of the Colorado
Sun. just north of Moab. We'll spend Saturday and Sunday on the
river, returning to Salt Lake late Sunday night.
Deadline for registration is June 10 so get a \$5.00 deposit
to Bob Everson, 2613 Imperial Street, S.L.C. Total fee for
the trip will be \$23. Pay balance at work party 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday, June 13, at the Union Pacific Ice Plant, 430 West
2nd North. Trip leader: Dan Thomas.
- June 16 BIKE HIKE TO UTAH LAKE - This is the first in a series of bike
Sat. hikes which we hope will culminate in an overnight trip.
Bring your bikes and meet at Camp Williams on Redwood Road
at 8:00 a.m. Leaders: Don Coleman (486-7796) and Bill
Rosqvist (295-0458).
- June 16 RED PINE, PFIEFFERHORN, BELL'S CANYON - El. 11,326 -
Sat. Rating 17.0 OK If you're not in shape now, it's your own fault
that you won't be able to go on this great hike...Or maybe you
planned it that way. Registration is a must. Meet at the
mouth of Little Cottonwood Canyon at 6:00 a.m. Leader:
Harold Goodro (277-1247).
- June 16 LAKE BLANCHE - El. 8,900 - Rating 5.0
Sat. Many possibilities are available either before or after the
lake is reached. If there is interest, we can do Sundial.
Meet at the mouth of Big Cottonwood Canyon at 8:30 a.m.
Leader: Leroy Kuel (363-6890).
- June 17 TIMPANOGOS - El. 11,750 - Rating 11.0
Sun. Let's awaken the sleeping maiden early this year. The snow
field should provide some great glissading. Meet at Gibson's
Discount at 5900 South State at 6:30 a.m. Leader: Milt
Hollander (277-1416).

- June 17 THAYNE PEAK - El. 8,656 - Rating 5.0
 Sun. This is a nice and easy intermediate hike. Some of the flowers should be in full bloom. Meet at The Movie at 9:00 a.m.
 Leader: Don Coleman.
- June 21 THURSDAY EVENING HIKE - Mule Hollow for an excellent alpine
 Thurs. view of Storm Mountain and Stairs Gulch. Meet at Storm Mountain Picnic Area (see June 7th for instructions) at 7pm
 Leader: Dale Green (277-6417).
- June 21 EVENING CLIMB AT STORM MOUNTAIN
 Thurs.
- June 23, Following the work party will be an open-lodge week-end.
 24, Sat. Pat Nelson (363-6277) and Judy Ching (262-3800) will be
 Sun. hosts for this adult week-end. A keg will be purchased (minimal cost for beer) and for those interested, a poker party will progress Saturday evening. The rest is up to you. We hope you'll contribute to making this a fun time. Call either Pat or Judy if you plan to participate. Food, sleeping bags, utensils will be up to the individual. See you the 23rd!
- June 23 KESSLER PEAK - El. 10,403 - Rating 6.0
 Sat. Kessler sits on the south side of Big Cottonwood, between Mineral Fork and Mill D South Fork. We will go up the jeep trail from Mineral Flat. Meet at the mouth of Big Cottonwood Canyon at 8:00 a.m. Leader: John Riley, 485-2567.
- June 23, GOBLER'S KNOB OVERNIGHT FAMILY CAMP - Here's an
 24, Sat. opportunity to take the family on an overnight backpacking
 Sun. trip. The trail is about seven miles round trip with the uphill hike to about 10,000 ft. Check with Liz for details of time and place. Leader: Liz Choules (363-9966).
- June 23 Lodge Work Party- It's spring-cleaning time at the lodge.
 Sat. Need to wash the fly spray off the windows and do a lot of other menial things to prepare for summer. Drinks and lunch furnished. Start about 9:30 a.m.
- June LODGE OPEN
 23-24
 Sat-Sun
- June 24 EVENING CLIMB AT STORM MOUNTAIN
 Sunday
- June 24 HIKER'S COURSE 2nd SESSION
 Sun. If you missed the class last month, here's your chance to get some first rate hiking instruction from one of the best. Meet at the Storm Mountain Ampitheater at 7:00 p.m. sharp. Leader: Fred Bruenger.

- June 24 AMERICAN FORK TWINS - El. 11,330 - Rating 10.5
Sun. We are going to avoid all the congestion and indigestion found at Secret Lake and the ridge above by doing this hike from the American Fork Canyon side. Meet at the mouth of Little Cottonwood Canyon at 7:00 a.m. Leader: Ross Pearson 359-7721.
- June 24 SUGARLOAF FROM ALBION BASIN - El. 11,051 - Rating 3.5
Sun. This is a great family hike. We will start from Albion Basin and enjoy a leisurely hike to the top. Meet at Mouth of Little Cottonwood Canyon at 8:00 a.m. Leader: Annie Goss.
- June 24 THUNDERBOLT RIDGE EXPERIENCE CLIMB - The year's first experience
Sun. climb on rock will be a new one for the club. Thunderbolt Ridge in upper Hogum Fork. Perhaps this should be called the climbers beat-out since the approach hike rates at least 12.0. You'll need basic climbing skills, your mountaineering gear (including hardhat), and above all, to be in top condition. Meet at the mouth of Little Cottonwood at 6:00 a.m. You must register with the leader by Friday, June 22. Leader: Renny Jackson, 278-8379.
- JUNE 26 First Aid Course. Once again Burt Janis will teach a
& 27 course in First Aid for the Mountain Club. It will be
(Tentat) geared to the particular needs of the hiker-mountaineer-tourer; situations that most commonly arise in the mountains will be given the most attention. It is suggested that you read a Red Cross First Aid manual before attending the course to get some general background. (This is a good book to have in your home anyway). The dates are tentative at this time so call Dave Hanscom. 487-6065 for details. Classroom B, 2nd Floor, Med. Cen. 7-9 p.m.
- June 28 EVENING CLIMB AT STORM MOUNTAIN
Thurs.
- June 28 THURSDAY EVENING HIKE - Lake Desolation Trail to Salt Lake
Thurs. Valley Overlook. Meet in Mill Creek Canyon on the south side of the Box Elder Picnic Ground (just above the Mill Creek Inn) at 7 p.m. Leader: Dale Green, 277-6417.
- June 30 MT. SUPERIOR - El. 11,132 - Rating 7.0 from Alta or 11.0
Sat. from Mill B. Although the effort to reach Superior may not be very great, there is a good deal of exposure involved. If there is enough interest, we can do this from both the Alta and the Lake Blanche routes thus eliminating a long shuttle. Meet at the mouth of Little Cottonwood Canyon at 7:30 a.m. Leader: Jesse May, 363-7151.
- June 30 SNAKE CREEK PASS FAMILY HIKE - This is a fun hike for everyone.
Sat. The hike will take us past the WMC Lodge and then to Dog Lake. The Heber Valley can be seen from the pass. Meet at the mouth of Big Cottonwood Canyon at 9:00 a.m. Leader: Elmer Boyd.

June 30- ZION NARROWS - The beginning of July is the best time to do
July 1 this hike according to the park service. Thunderstorms are
Sat.Sun. at a minimum this time of year, so we should have a great time.
Leader: Don Carlton (no home phone), work-328-8066 Ext. 307 from
9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

June 30- SNAKE RIVER ALPINE CANYON RAFT, KAYAK, HIKING TRIP (Tentative)
July 1 Providing the river level is suitable the response of the
Sat. Sun. WMC membership is adequate and a Trip Leader either steps forth
or may be pried loose, we plan a relaxed weekend in this short,
scenic canyon. This is a somewhat-first attempt to determine
the interest in a short river raft-kayak run combined with
hiking and socializing for any who may be interested: singles,
couples, families, teenagers and that kind of crowd.
Aspiring Trip Leaders and participants contact Bob Everson,
487-0029.

July 1 BOX ELDER - El. 11,101 - Rating 9.0 - If the conditions are
Sun. right, this can be a beautiful hike. The view from the
summit south is one of the best. Call Bill Rosqvist for
information - Clint Lewis (295-8645).

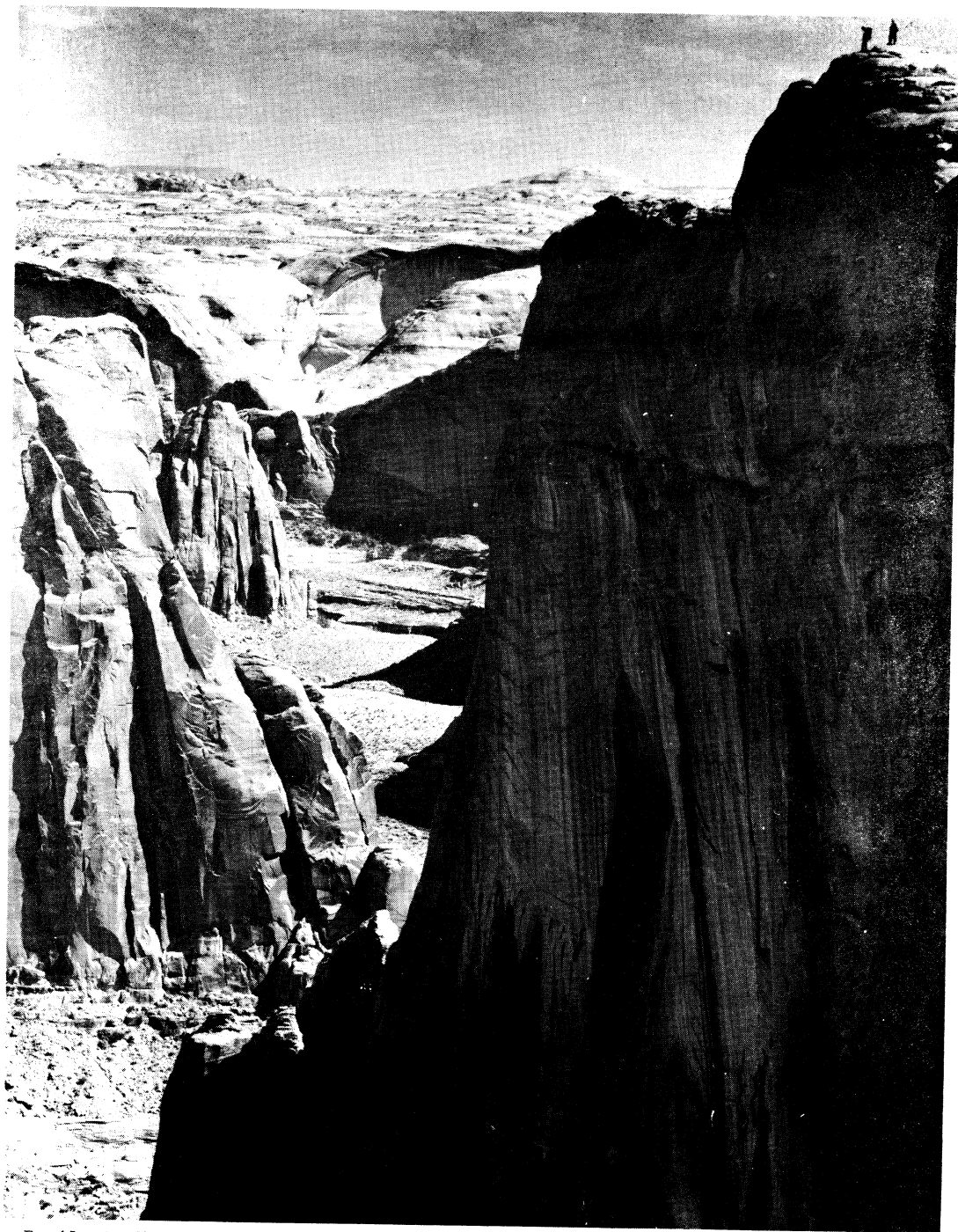
July 3-4 FAMILY BACKPACKING TRIP IN THE WASATCH - If you have any
Tue-Wed. suggestions as to where to go, or if you would like to join
the group going, call leaders Don Coleman (486-7796) or Bill
Rosqvist (295-0458).

July 4 FAMILY DO AT THE LODGE - Phil and Sally Nelson are hosting a
Wed. potluck lunch for preschoolers, primaries, and parents. Plan
a day at the lodge from 9:00-4:00 with a short hike leaving
the lodge at 9:30 a.m. We will eat around noon. Bring your
own plates, utensils, beverage, and graham crackers. To
determine the pot, call 485-0237.

July 4 INDEPENDENCE DAY WEEKEND
Wed. TETONS - Call Paul Horton, 262-4695, for details about this
mountaineering high camp in the Tetons. Tentatively, the plan
is to go into Avalanche Canyon, where there hopefully won't
be many people. Peaks like Buck, Wister, Veiled, South Teton,
etc. offer a variety of routes, from easy hikes and scrambles
to very challenging aretes and faces. Cascade Canyon is
accessible, and there are pleasant hikes to lakes and
waterfalls.

July 4 LODGE OPEN
Wed

July 5 EVENING CLIMB AT STORM MOUNTAIN
Thurs.



By Alexis Kelner

ESCALANTE COUNTRY

July 7 RED PINE AND WHITE BALDY - El. 11,321 - Rating 8.5
Sat.

July 8 BRIGHTON RIDGE RUN - El. 10,795 - Rating 8.0
Sun.

July 8 SUNSET PEAK - El. 10,648 - Rating 3.5
Sun.

July 24 WIND RIVERS - A mountaineering trip to the Temple area of
the Wind River. More in the next issue.

July 28- WESTWATER CANYON, COLORADO RIVER - Advanced
29 Westwater Canyon is presently under study for designation
Sat.Sun. under the Wild and Scenic River System and is one of the
favorite runs among the advanced WMC river runners. We
plan to camp on the river as last year rather than running
the canyon completely on each of the listed days as has
been the plan in the past. This makes for a more relaxed
trip with time for hiking, napping, etc. See the July
RAMBLER for further details or call the Trip Leader:
Dick Snyder, 466-9845.

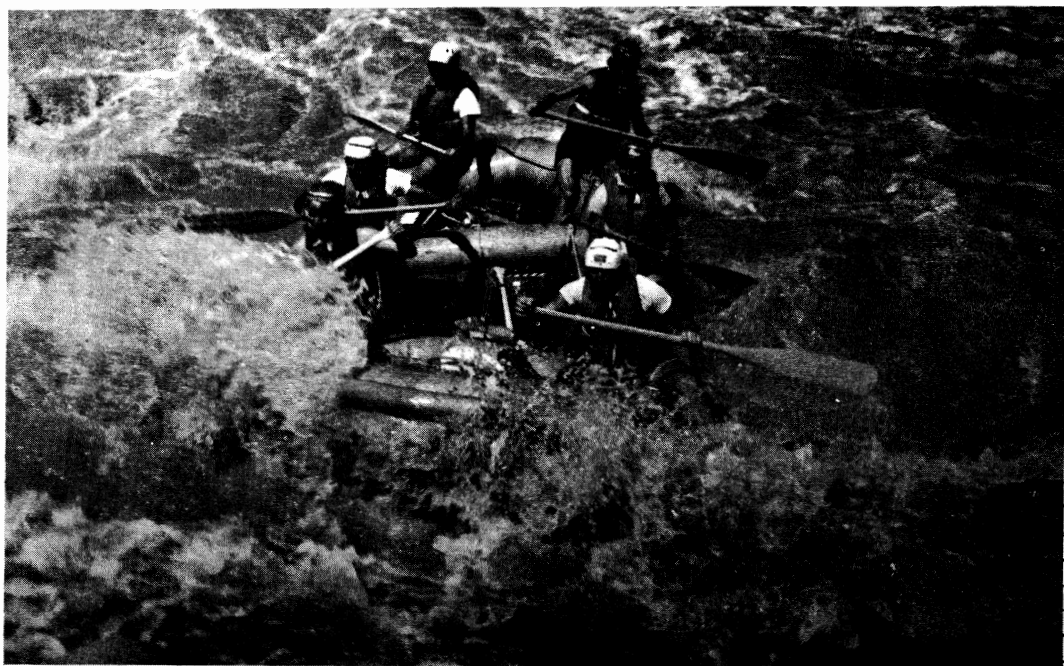


Photo by Bonnie Barr

WESTWATER 1971

grandeur peak

FROM THE WEST

by Chuck Mays

Usually the hiking leader coerces a "volunteer" to write up the hike. This time, however, I wanted to emphasize special features that may be of help to future hikers who may wish to change from the conventional approach via Church Fork.

Grandeur Peak is perhaps the most popular of all WMC hikes. It is usually scheduled several times each spring, and again several times each fall. Situated between Parleys Canyon and Millcreek Canyon, it provides a magnificent view of the Salt Lake Valley, especially at night. For this reason, moonlight hikes to Grandeur are especially rewarding. Truly, Grandeur deserves its name.

The conventional approach is to drive up Millcreek Canyon, hike a mile up Church Fork, zig-zag up the trail to the main ridge, and proceed west along the ridge to Grandeur. This is great except when deep snow clogs the trail, as in early spring or late fall; or when snow storms strike unpredictably (which in Utah can be anytime). In these cases, an alternative ascent up the sun-warmed west-facing slope has advantages.

A number of individuals have hiked up Grandeur from the west. However, I don't know whether this approach has previously been scheduled in the RAMBLER as an official WMC hike. My little dog "Muffin" and I discovered the (following) route by moonlight 8 years ago; equal or better alternatives may also exist.

On May 6, 1973, we met at Eastwood School at the civilized hour of 10:00 a.m. Driving our cars north about 3 blocks, we turned right at Gateway Road, then immediately left onto Cascade Way. Continuing up Cascade Way, beyond the paving, we curved southward on the dirt road. Turning sharply north at the first intersection, we stopped and parked along the grassy shoulder of another dirt road. There was room for at least a dozen cars. This put us above the residential area and at the base of our ascent ridge, the 2nd ridge south from Parleys Canyon. (The preceding details on parking are for the benefit of future hikers)

Our 3000 ft. ascent was along a good trail up the ridge. In places the ridge was completely covered with "deer berries." (Deer berries are sometimes called "smart pills", because any fool tasting one will never be quite that dumb again!) Our most interesting encounter with wildlife was an enormously fat porcupine waddling through the underbrush. John Mason snapped a super photo within feet of the bristly creature. Only the last 400 yards of ascent was in snow. Despite some Salt Lake City smog, the view was excellent and through field glasses the Skyline High School tennis courts were seen to abound with active players.

A couple of hikers chose to retrace their tracks, while the rest of us returned by the more interesting ridge (3rd south from Parleys Canyon), further identified by the huge "Z-shaped" grey rock outcropping that is visible even from the Kennecott copper mine with mountain mahogany, juniper, and oak brush, and is criss-crossed with a multitude of deer trails. A person unfamiliar with these trails might be advised generally to stay rather close to the ridge line despite occasional brush, rather than being side-tracked down a wandering deer trail, and having to bush-whack back up to the ridge.

Our route to Grandeur Peak from the west was interesting, although harder (rating 7) than the conventional Church Fork approach (rating 4,5). All hikers were in excellent condition, suggesting that increasing attention is being paid to the rating of the Rambler. Participants were Lauren Williams, Clinton Lewis, Tom Cook, John Mason, Yukio Kachi, and Diz and Chuck Mays, each of whom should be well qualified to lead this hike in the future.

summoning the gentle hikers

by Corinne Sweet

For a gentle evening climb on a summer moonlit night, or next year as a warm-up for those of us who don't care about mixing up the skiing and the hiking, try this pleasant walk. You'll be rewarded with a superior view. Take off up Cephalapod Gulch behind the University of Utah Medical Center and climb up to Mount Van Cott (6348 ft.). It will only take you an hour or so. From the top you can see Salt Lake City in the round, the lake and much of the valley. Facing East, you will be able to look far up Dry Canyon to your left and up Red Butte Canyon to your right. Both Red Butte reservoirs are plainly visible. (These are off-limits to all but U.S. Forest Service specialists.)

The meadows on top, in May, are filled with glacier lilies and blue bells, fritillaries, yellow violets, queen's cup and spring beauties. Later the fields will be filled with lupine and yarrow with mules' ears interspersed. On our way up, early this May, Jean Dougherty and I saw hills covered with arrow leaf balsam root and dotted with alfileria, death camas, evening primrose and wayside gromwell. Plan a repast on the jewel-lichen-covered rocks.

For you slow and steady hikers, join us early in June when we try the trails above Rotary Park past Grandview Peak or in July, for Big Water Trail. We'd enjoy showing you our special and very private "view from the top".

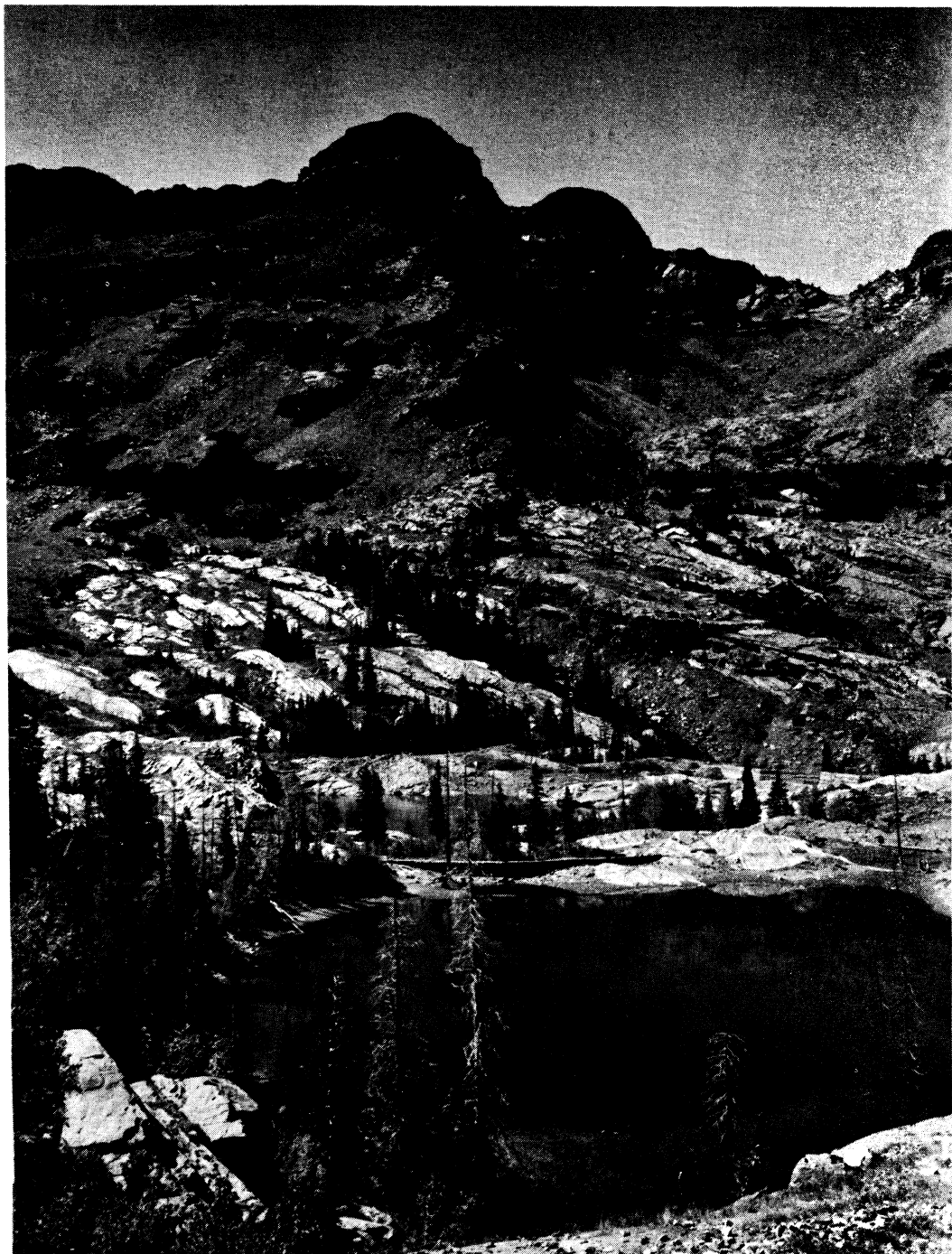


Photo by Pete Goss

View over lake below Lake Blanche
to Dromedary Peak

"A RAINBOW TURNED TO STONE"

(Anonymous)

What is a person to do when a club hike has been cancelled? Many people, of course, are stopped in their tracks. They aren't familiar with the area and for many other reasons they simply cannot go on a hike if the scheduled club doesn't make it.

However, upon hearing the news that the hike wasn't going, we decided not to let that stop us. Nor did we let the fact that it had been raining for several days stop us. We heard that the storms were moving south-east and we were headed south. We knew we would be traveling approximately 50 miles on dirt roads where we might wish we had a 4 wheel drive. Aside from that, we hadn't been to this place for a couple of years and we knew there was a maze of unmarked dirt roads among which was the road we wanted. We grabbed our trusty road map, relied upon a description of the place from our foggy memory, and left Salt Lake City in a snowstorm.

After a full day's drive, we got to the general area and wandered around on those crazy dirt roads until it was way past dark, and we realized we weren't making any progress. We made camp and quickly fell asleep. In the morning we realized it had been cold as our water supply was frozen solid. Under the light of the sun we determined that the dirt roads

were dry and sandy where they had appeared soft and muddy the night before. There were a few fluffy clouds in a blue sky and we quickly discovered the road we wanted. Soon our packs were strapped on and we started on our 14 mile trek. The air was cool and there were a few threatening clouds, but we paid no attention. We camped that night at the base of Redbud Pass, and the night was considerably warmer than the night before. The next morning we hid our packs behind a rock and took off with our day packs. After 5 miles we came to our destination. We looked around took pictures, talked to tourists, and watched the waters of the lake.

Soon it was time to leave again so we hiked back to our backpacks, strapped them on, and started on the last leg of our trip. Having already hiked 10 miles that day, we found the steep ascent to the top of Cliff Canyon difficult and the sun was hot in the clear blue skies of the desert. We camped that night on the rim and expected it to be cold. To our amazement, the night was warm and there wasn't even a breeze. The moon was full and the world in that place was a scenic wonderland. The next morning we were up early and found the last 5 miles to be easy. We were back to our car at 9:30, and started on our long drive home. The day was warm and the skies were deep blue without a single cloud. The view expanded for hundreds of miles in each direction and we were filled with contentment. Our mission was completed.

On our way home we even took a side trip to see Dead Horse Point which was very worthwhile, and in case you haven't guessed by now, the trip we made was to Rainbow Bridge.



Look within. Let neither
the peculiar quality of anything
nor its value escape thee.

Marcus Aurelius

Teenage River Trip - 1971

Unknown Photographer

twin lakes

by Lois Craig

SNOWSHOE TOUR

Unreal, that's what it was, unreal and beautiful. This beginners' snowshoe tour started at Lake Blanche in a white mist with limited visibility. We plowed straight across the lake in powder snow that was still falling finely. Ernie and Gerri Abrams, tour leaders, urged us not to stop on the ice lest we sink through to water. On the hill side of the lake to the west, we headed determinedly uphill, avoiding the usual trail which appeared to be suspiciously avalanche-prone, zigged and zagged past a heavy stand of pines to the left and dug our toes into a steep slope till we reached at last the Twin Lakes Trail. The unreal mist was all around us, but the air was balmy and we could smell the spicy pitch of shadowy trees. We took one break along the trail, munching on fruit and candy, then pushed on determinedly again.

On cross country skis Gus Hanniball, assisted by Ernie Abrams, did much of the trail-breaking; and after huffing and puffing we came at last to the top of the Millicent Lift, then a short rise more, and we were at the Twin Lakes Dam where we sat on our snowshoes and ate lunch.

Suddenly, as though arranged especially for us, the fog cleared. Bright sun illuminated the cirque basin above us, revealing incredible luminescent cornices jutting out forty or fifty feet from the ridges. Snow-crustured pines marked the hills, and against the intense blue sky, snow crystals floated past our eyes, sparkling like diamonds.

The sun toasted our faces. We lunched, then decided to shoe over a rise and down to the surface of the frozen lake. At the far side, we skirted the rim of the dam and returned to our lunch spot—just in time, too. As we prepared to retrace our steps downhill to Lake Blanche, the mist gathered once more, filling in the glacial basin. Suddenly cold, we put our jackets back on and turned downhill. It was an easier trip back. Digging in with our shoes, we could stride easily down the slopes we had struggled so hard to ascend earlier. Or we slid, sitting on our shoes. Gus Hanniball, having some trouble with the wax on his skis, nonetheless made several beautiful long runs.

As we crunched and squeaked across Lake Blanche the fog cleared an open pocket here and there till on solid snowpack again, we met the next Wasatch Mountain Club snowshoe party just setting out. In Salt Lake Valley, they said, it was clear.

Sure enough, at the mouth of Big Cottonwood Canyon, we saw our valley as blue, clear, and cloudless as we have ever seen it.

Members of the group were Emile A. Lawton, Joyce Sohler, Lois and Doug Craig, Gerri and Ernie Abrams, and Gus Hanniball. All members gathered at Lois and Doug Craigs home for an irresistible invitation for drinks and further friendly conversation following the unreal snowshoe tour.

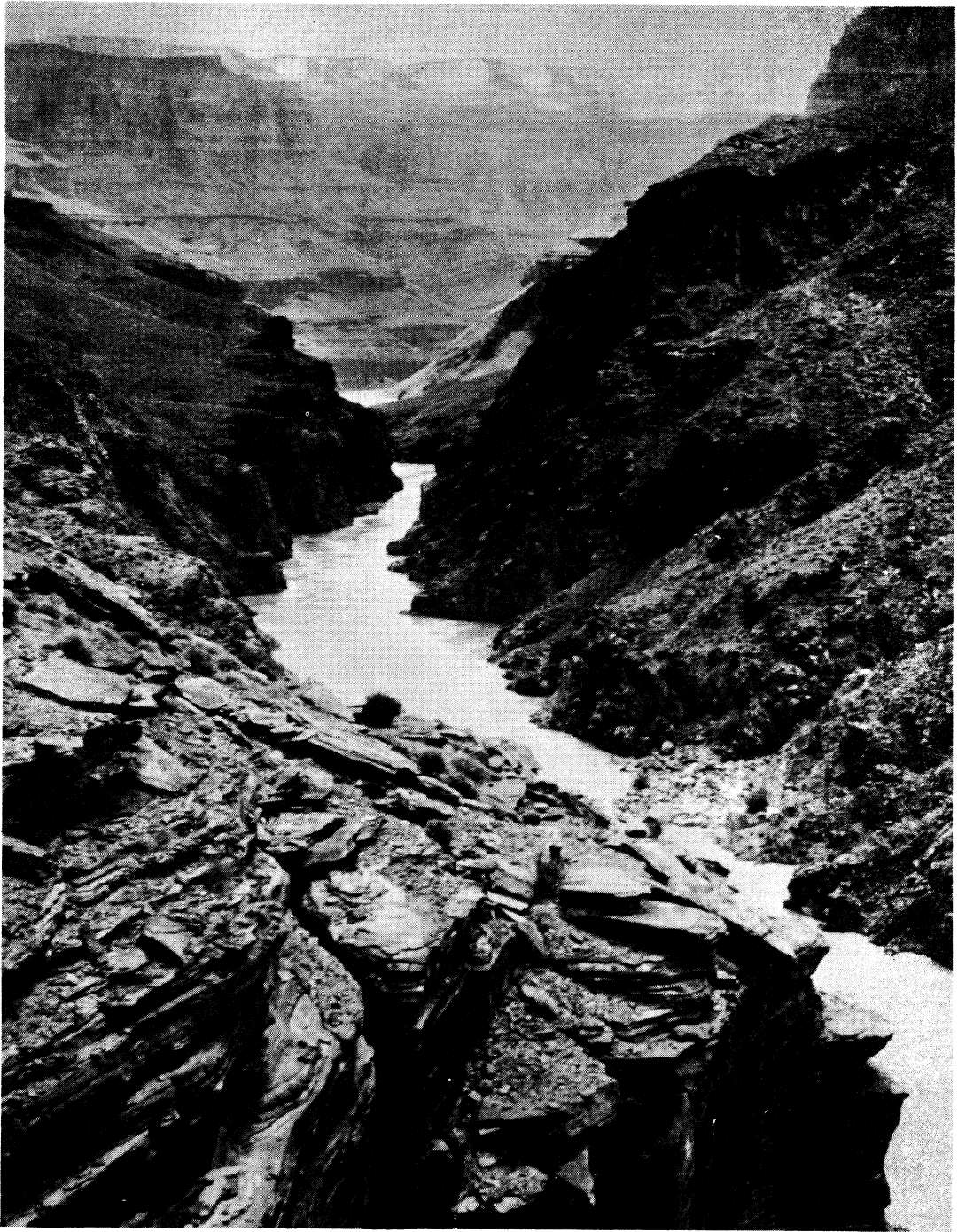


Photo by Bob Everson

GRAND CANYON-COLORADO RIVER
From Deer Creek Canyon-April 1973

WASATCH TRAILS

by Betty Bottcher

The trail guide to the Wasatch Mountains is finally completed and being published. It contains about 40 of the main trails in the Millcreek, Big, and Little Cottonwood Canyons and some others nearby. The starting point, length, altitude gain, and interesting features of each trail is listed along with illustrations pertinent to each. Five maps are included to assist in locating them.

The mountains are threaded with trails and old mining roads. However, to find them one has had the choice of either following someone who knew the way or deciphering a map and hoping for the best. A trail guide was needed. Since none had ever been written some of us decided to write one ourselves. The reason was two-fold: to help people enjoy and appreciate the mountains, and also to try to enlist many more people to help us save the trails and mountains from exploitation.

The first trail descriptions were written about eight years ago, with the help of Bob Demint who has since moved to Denver. Then followed a lapse of several years while we wondered whether publicizing the trails was the right thing to do. However, the next few years saw Snowbird move in, new roads ground by bulldozers, summer homes built at trail access points, no-trespassing signs go up, and motorbikes and snowmobiles take over trails. The time had come to get the trail guide written.

At the Mountain Club annual banquet two years ago, Mel Davis and I told Ames Harrison of the Forest Service about our plan. He was most enthusiastic and said the Forest Service would assist wherever they could. He suggested we talk with Ray Lindquist who was in charge of trails. Ray and Mel subsequently spent many hours discussing the trails and Mel wrote the trail descriptions. I wrote a few. We talked with people like Carl Bauer and Ed Rose who have known the mountains for years. We got the opinions of WMC members Fred Bruenger, Helen Chindgren, Don Carlton, John MacDuff and many others. I asked members of the Utah Audubon Society for help in the natural history background. Bill Long wrote about the Geology.

Slowly the trail guide took shape. Ruth Henson gave me invaluable assistance in editing it. Doti Marden offered to do the maps and drawings. Then, when Bill Rosqvist volunteered to take charge of the printing and distribution, we presented the package to the board of directors of the Wasatch Mountain Club, who unanimously agreed to finance the publication.

Since Bill works with a computer firm, it was decided to use the computer to organize the book and print the first copy from which the final book would be made. Ruth Dewell spent several hours typing the final manuscript into the computer, Bill spent several hours at the computer terminal making last minute changes and corrections. Mel Davis became an accomplished layout man, putting the guide together and inserting Doti's beautiful drawings and maps. Several drawings are of the mountain sky-lines as seen from the trails.

The guide should be ready for distribution at the general membership meeting on June 6. We hope that you will have as much pleasure in following the trails as we have had, and that it will, indeed, introduce a better appreciation of our mountains.

An expanded version of the guide is planned for a later date.

Bill Rosqvist, 281 S. 1000 East Bountiful, Utah 84010		
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J. Dewell, Transportation Director

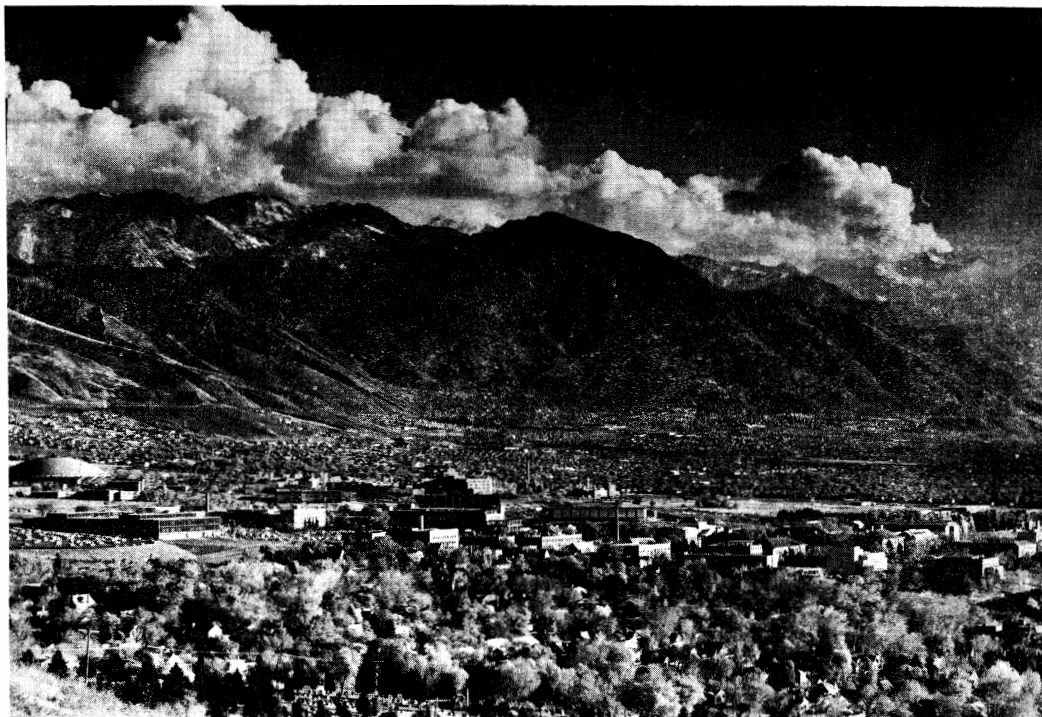
1. Drivers will pay the same fees as the other trip participants.
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 - Each driver shall have had sufficient rest to be alert.
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3. No great amount of physical strength is required to handle the vehicles that we are now using. Men or women may be used as drivers. The important thing is to use a driver who will keep in mind that he is not driving a sports car. Speed must not be excessive (never in excess of speed limits). The vehicle must be slowed prior to a curve not while in the turn. Use the speed advisory signs posted under the warning signs.
 - The vehicles that we are now using are better and safer than our old bus. Let's not give away that safety margin through faulty driving habits.
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If you are told that such an one speaks ill of you, make no defence against what was said, but answer, He surely knew not my other faults, else he would not have mentioned these only.

Epictetus

If thou wouldst make progress, be content to seem foolish and void of understanding with respect to outward things. Care not to be thought to know anything. If any should make account of thee, distrust thyself.

Epictetus



If you seek Truth, you will not seek to gain a victory by every possible means; and when you have found Truth, you need not fear being defeated.

Epictetus

THE FABULOUS WASATCH MOUNTAINS
OVERLOOKING SALT LAKE VALLEY

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help save our rivers!

Wasatch Mountain Club business is conducted only on the first and third Wednesdays of each month. At that time, and only at that time, is the mail opened, new membership applications voted on, dues payments recorded, address changes made, and all other business requiring board action conducted. All board members cannot attend all board meetings and although an effort is made to fill in during a member's absence, some business is held for action until next meeting.

news and notices

THANKS

...to my assistants Audrey & Adrian Stevens.
...to Candy Seager for typing this month's RAMBLER.
...to George and Georgia Randall for mailing the May RAMBLER.

DEADLINE

...for the JULY RAMBLER is June 15. Please have your articles and schedules TYPED and mailed to TIMBERLINE, 2959 Highland Drive, Salt Lake City, Utah 84106, ATTENTION: RAMBLER EDITOR, WASATCH MOUNTAIN CLUB. 466-2101.

With a relatively short reign I bid my fairwell to the RAMBLER and all those fine people who so ably assisted me in getting the RAMBLER off to you each month. It's been fun, and a great learning experience for me, which is, afterall, where it is with me right now. I'll probably see all of you a few more times before I leave in August for Boston College, that great Eastern Institution of higher learning. Those of you I miss, I'm sure I'll be seeing in my dreams as I remember this beautiful country, and the fabulous Wasatch Mountains. If you get back to Boston, give me a call, I won't have my number unlisted there! I'll be under L. E. Seager.

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When you can answer these questions, you will have found the answer to such questions as "who is God", "where is he", and "how can he, in this day and age, show us he exists"?

If you don't believe me, the next time your on the river, or hiking up a mountain, or touring across the freshly fallen snow, ask yourself these questions again, and see if you don't feel His presence within you. If you don't, well...

Lorraine Seager

hiking notes

by Bill Rosqvist

For the most part snow conditions have been very poor, making higher elevation trips rather uncomfortable. Hopefully, as the season progresses we will see improvements; however, we can probably expect wet conditions longer this year, especially in southern Utah. Some of the more difficult hikes such as Lone Peak, Red Pine to Bells, Wildcat, etc. may have to be postponed until things improve a little, so be sure to check with the leader in each case.

We are going to have a bike hike at least once a month through the summer, with an overnight trip, maybe, from Evanston to Kamas in late August or early September.

As you can see from the article in this month's Rambler, Betty Bottcher's trail guide is available. It is an excellent publication with beautiful pen and ink drawings of the Wasatch by Doti Marden. Be sure to add a copy of it to your library.

I would like to express appreciation to the members of the hiking committee who have worked so hard to set up the hikes for April, May and June; Lauren Williams, Mike Maack, and Kermit Earle. Thanks!

When thou hast been compelled by circumstances to be disturbed in a manner, quickly return to thyself and do not continue out of tune longer than the compulsion lasts; for thou wilt have more mastery over the harmony by continually recurring to it.
Marcus Aurelius

topaz mountain

by Ernie & Gerri Abrams

Rock was advertised and a rather select group of rock hounds assembled to be led by Elmer Boyd in a quest for limonite pseudo-morphs of iron pyrite as well as the more common, but still intriguing calcite crystal. We went to a quarry area near Pelican Point on Utah Lake. The skies were being friendly. The blustery winds spurred each of us to gather his fill quickly. The limonite pseudo-morphs were chocolate brown cubes ranging in size from $\frac{1}{4}$ " on a side to partially formed crystals $\frac{3}{4}$ inch on a side. The calcite formations were more numerous and even came in sizes we could not lift. Enough reasonably translucent crystals were found by each of us to demonstrate their print doubling phenomena. Beyond the call of his duties, Elmer took some of us on a historical tour of the region at the south end of the Oquirrhos including Camp Floyd and Meur.

The rockhounds were Dave and John Moore, Louise and Brian Hollander, Elmer Boyd, and Gerri, Ernie, and Clayton Abrams, and Daniel Frimmer, Marie, Jim and Audrey Williams, and Allen Ward.

foothill III

by Carl Bauer

Despite the frown of a sullen sky, eight intrepid folk rendezvoused on schedule. Confronted with the prospect of sodden ridges, we chose instead a stroll in City Creek Canyon. Dividends in addition to select camaraderie and fragrant invigorating air, were a few equally intrepid posies, namely, Dogtooth Violets. We also sighted the Monarch of the Canyon, a majestic golden eagle reconnoitering the nesting cliffs of Pleasant Valley.

The onset of heavier rain, with little prospect of a let up, turned the expedition back short of the water treatment plant. Those whose enthusiasm augurs well for WMC events of the months to come are:

Ruth Henson
Ray Miller
Carolyn Andree
Michael Packard
Katie Hedberg
Peter Pruess
Kathryn Kemp
Carl Bauer

thunder mtn.

NORTH PEAK

by Michael Maack

After the car shuttle was made, we got an early start by leaving the mouth of Little Cottonwood at 6:20 a.m. After a short bushwhack we were on our way up Coalpit Gulch with enthusiasm sprinkled here and there. Following a short bite to eat at the top of Coalpit,

we were on our way for a nearby couloir and an expected ice climb, but it turned out to be a very interesting snow climb.

It was quite foggy 97% of the time, but just as we were reaching the ridge and climbing through an opening in the cornices, the clouds opened up for a quick but ecstatic view of sun, cloudy mist, and mountain.

After eating a quick lunch we left the peak for a sloshy run down Bells Canyon, only to end up at the once forgotten cars.

Participants: Sam Allen, Bill Rosqvist, Mike Maack, Richard Wagner, Mark Wagner, Bob Weatherbee, Martin Goodrich, John Sutton, Dave Smith, Renny Jackson, Mike Bogart, Marilyn Bateman, Kermit Earle, and the leader Paul Horton.

park west- millcreek

SKI TOUR

by Mark Smith

It was a bleak, snowy Sunday morning when we ascended the Iron Horse lift at Park West. When we reached the top we followed our "fearless" leader across an avalanche slide area and onto the ridge overlooking the Millcreek drainage area. We then descended into Millcreek Canyon where we rested and ate a nice lunch. After eating we had a long leisurely descent (about 8 miles) through beautiful scenery to Log Haven. All and all it was a very enjoyable tour with few casualties. The leader: George Swanson, Survivors were: Kent Richards, Barry Evans, Emil Lotter, Sid Stevens and Mark Smith.

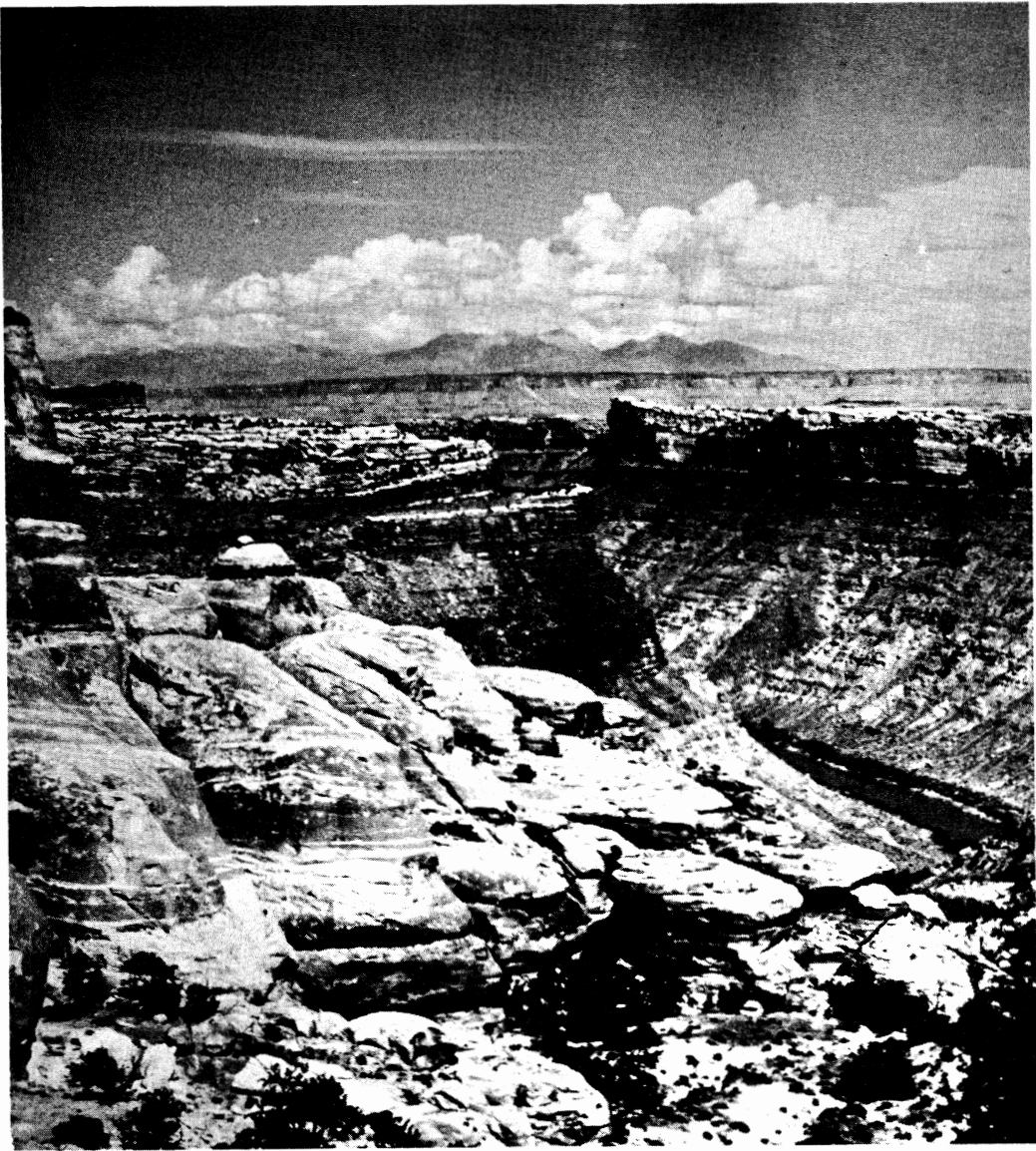


Photo by Bob Everson

But what says Socrates?—"One man finds pleasure in improving his land, another his horses. My pleasure lies in seeing that I myself grow better day by day." Epictetus

where does all the snow go?

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The hills and over all the length
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The race of grasses and the shin-
ing green.

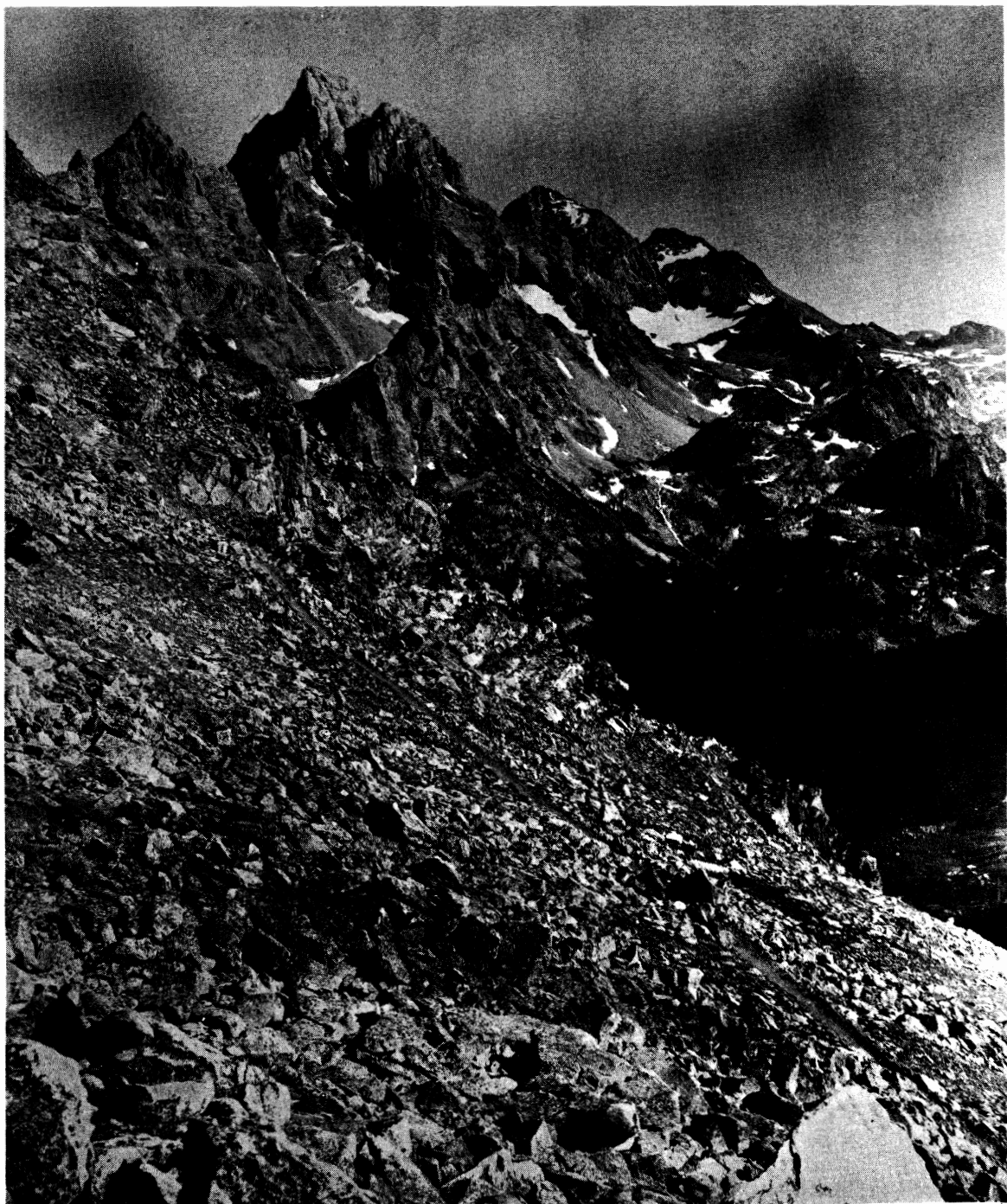
How true remains
How merited is that adopted name
Of earth-"The Mother!"-since from
out the earth
Are all begotten. And even now
arise
From out the loams how many living
things--. Lucretius

Time is like a river made up
of the events which happen, and
a violent stream; for as soon as
a thing has been seen, it is
carried away too. Marcus Aurelius

How easy it is to repel and
to wipe away every impression
which is troublesome or unsuitable,
and immediately to be in all tran-
quility. Marcus Aurelius

Neither by nature, then, nor
contrary to nature do the virtues
arise in us; rather we are adapt-
ed by nature to receive them, and
are made perfect by habit...the
virtues we get by first exercising
them, as also happens in the case
of the arts as well. For the things
we have to learn before we can do
them, we learn by doing them, e.g.,
men become builders by building
and lyre-players by playing the
lyre; so too we become just by
doing just acts, temperate by do-
ing temperate acts, brave by do-
ing brave acts. Aristotle

What foolish talk is this? how
can I any longer lay claim to right
principles, if I am not content with
being what I am, but am all aflutter
about what I am supposed to be?
Epictetus



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