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### THE SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING.

The semi-annual meeting held on October 28 was fairly well attended, and marked by an unusual amount of unanimity. The chief items of business were the proposed changes in the by-laws recommended by the Executive Committee, and the fact that every one of them carried, mostly with ample majorities, ought to be a matter of great satisfaction to the Executive Committee.

1. Non-resident members. Members residing outside the province for more than 12 months are required to pay only half the annual dues.

2. This clause made no change in annual dues or entrance fees, but simply put the existing clause in more workable form.

3. This clause provides for an editor and reporter, the first to edit The Mountaineer and any other Club publications, the second to attend to all press publicity.

4. This clause merely defined the reporter's duties.

5. This clause forbids the use of intoxicating liquors on Club premises.

6. This clause provides for the establishment of a reserve fund comprised of the monies already set aside for that purpose, and all entrance fees received since March, 1924.

As these amendments were printed in The Mountaineer, it is not necessary to repeat them in full again. They will be printed for insertion in the present supply of copies of the by-laws and constitution.

### LIBRARIAN'S ADDRESS.

The address of the librarian, Miss Edith M. Henley, is Suite 3, Elgin Apartments, 961 Howe St., telephone, Seymour 5631 Y. This number is listed in the new directories.

### PHOTOGRAPHIC EXHIBITION.

Note that it has been decided to hold a photographic exhibition for Club members about the last week in February or the first week of March. Rules and classifications will be decided shortly and published. It is expected that a number of prizes will be awarded. This exhibition should rouse great interest among the members, and do the Club much good by showing the public the nature of the climbing done by local mountaineers. So little is known of the real character of the Club's activities by the public that a graphic picturization of it is needed.

The committee appointed by the semi-annual meeting to report on holding the exhibition was composed of R. E. Knight, Secretary; Miss Amy Walker, and Hazan Nunn.

### NOTICE TO GRADUATE MEMBERS.

Graduate members who qualify for active membership should notify the Secretary with particulars of the climbs so that he may verify their qualifications before listing them as active. It is important that those entitled to active membership be so listed because only active members are permitted to vote at business meetings of the Club.

**ANNUAL CAMP.**

"Going to Lake O'Hara?" is a familiar greeting these days, and a splendid one to which to be able to answer, "sure!"

This great annual event in the Club's activities is set for July 18—31, at Lake O'Hara in the Rockies. This was the decision of the semi-annual meeting by a vote of three-quarters of those present, after the Director had presented a strong recommendation along the lines of the wisdom of extending the Club's climbing over as wide an area as possible.

In reply to a suggestion that a number of new members wished to go to Garibaldi Park, it was pointed out that this district was one which they could visit without making use of the Club's organization, that this was not the case with regard to Lake O'Hara so that an exceptional opportunity was really being offered them; while they could always rely on the Club going back to Garibaldi—in fact many of the backers of the Lake O'Hara camp practically pledged themselves to support a Garibaldi camp for 1926.

The cost of the camp probably will amount to about \$55, including railway fare, but may be somewhat less as it is too early to work that out with exactness.

The region is particularly well suited for a camp, and members are assured of whatever type of climbing in whatever quantities they like it. Interesting short trips may be made, or longer fine trips around the passes, while the climbing on the major peaks will prove satisfying for the energetic ones. Those who wish to spend their time at camp in less strenuous manner are promised plenty of places of interest which do not call for great exertion to reach.

In the past it has been felt that camp and all connected with it has been left for decision too late. The practice of other clubs has been to decide the matter nearly a year in advance, and our own Club's experience supports the wisdom of it.

**ANNUAL DINNER.**

For the benefit of those unable to attend the annual dinner of the Club last month

a summary of that most successful function is given. It was the best dinner held so far and reflected great credit on the dinner committee. The total attendance was 133. President Frank Johnson presided.

After the President proposed the toast of "The King," the Honorary President, Prof. J. Porter, seized the occasion to address the members and make himself better known to those unacquainted with him.

In appropriate words Miss Edith M. Henley proposed the toast to the guests, His Worship Mayor Owen, Dean R. W. Brock, Mr. Chris Spencer, and Dr. and Mrs. F. C. Bell.

Mayor Owen, who attended last year as the mayor's representative expressed surprise at the increased size of the gathering.

Dean Brock as an illustration of the service climbers could perform in advancing scientific knowledge, referred to his finding a small rock, obviously ice-borne, on the summit of a 9,000-foot peak in the southern Selkirks, which proved that the great ice-sheet had passed over that summit although it has been suggested that the sharp peaks of the present day had stood above the ice.

Chris Spencer in humorous vein told of his three seasons in Garibaldi Park, twice with the Club.

Director Tom Fyles toasted sister clubs, mentioning particularly the Alpine Club, both he and Dr. F. C. Bell, Chairman of the local section of the Alpine Club, referring to the pride of each club that their member, Mrs. Don Munday, was the first of her sex to climb Mt. Robson.

Neal Carter showed lantern slides of the summer camp and local climbs during the year, his talk being most enjoyable, while the Director dealt with slides of scenes around Lake O'Hara.

**MT. LOGAN EXPEDITION OF THE ALPINE CLUB.**

At the last meeting of the Executive Committee a contribution of \$25 was voted toward the expedition of the Alpine Club of Canada to Mt. Logan, 19,850 feet, the highest mountain in Canada, and second highest on the continent.

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How formidable a mountaineering undertaking it is, is not generally realized. The base of the mountain is only 5,000 feet above sea level, and there is a distance of 11 miles actually on the mountain to be travelled above an elevation of 17,000 feet. Persistent bad weather and heavy snow are typical of the region.

**PRIZE IDEAS FOR THE MOUNTAINEER.**

Suggestions have been made that it would be a great convenience if the editor of The Mountaineer had a down-town office into which members could drop in and tell him their bright ideas of how it should be run, improved, etc. Probably so. But if an idea is not worth scribbling down and mailing, the editor ventures the assertion that either it is not worth much anyway or the originator of the idea is lacking in a proper interest in the Club's publication. As it is issued only once a month the mails are quite fast enough for even the brightest idea.

Just to stimulate interest the editor now offers a worth-while prize each month for the next three months for the best suggestion received in that time.

**GOAT MOUNTAIN TRIP.**

The first trip of the winter schedule, to Goat Mountain, led by "Micky" Dodds, resulted in an attendance of ten in spite of somewhat unfavorable weather and the presence of a foot of new snow. Under the circumstances it was felt useless to carry out the trip in its entirety, which called for a visit to the eastern ridge of the mountain, so this is something still in store for many.

**MT. CHEAM TRIP.**

Thanksgiving week-end was the occasion of an attempt to climb Mt. Cheam, the first time for many years that club members have given this mountain attention. Director Tom Fyles led the party of 10, the others being B. C. Cayley, Dudley Foster, H. O'Connor, Eric Fuller, Hazan Nunn, W. G. Wheatley, Bruce Clegg, W. Vidal, Arthur Exham, and a local guide, Vic Logan.

Leaving Vancouver Saturday afternoon by B. C. E. R. train to Chilliwack, they spent the night at an old mill at the start of the trail. The weather was most unsettled but a start was made. New deep snow made the going extremely exhausting. Occasional breaks in the clouds afforded fascinating glimpses eastward to the higher and finer peaks of the range. At an elevation of about 5,300 feet, after a passing sight of the peak peeping tantalizingly out of the clouds above, defeat had to be admitted as a person often sank to the neck in the powdery snow.

Mr. Fyles states that under good snow conditions not too late in the spring, it would be possible for a club party composed of reasonably strong climbers to make this trip in an ordinary week-end, so perhaps it will appear on next summer's climbing programme. Given a good day the views in this neighborhood would be excellent, and apart from the mountain scenes, one thing which is not usual in connection with climbing in British Columbia would be the view of large areas of cultivated land in the Fraser Valley. Mt. Baker looks well from this direction also, and one could look up Harrison Lake to the north.

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**PUBLISHING DATE OF  
THE MOUNTAINEER.**

At the last meeting of the Executive Committee a number of suggestions and recommendations made by the editor and others with regard to The Mountaineer resulted in a decision that the beginning of each month would be a desirable date for publication. This change will go into effect with the December issue.

**THE NEW CABIN.**

It will soon be a year since the new property of the Club on Grouse Mountain was bought. There has been desultory talk of building a new home for the Club. Now a committee consisting of Tom Fyles, W. E. Martin, W. G. Wheatley, and Don Munday, has been appointed to report to the Executive Committee on the whole question of building in order that it may be brought down to something definite. The intention of the Executive Committee is to submit a plan to the members for further suggestions.

The present structure has served the Club well, but since it was started the membership has increased greatly and possibly something more ambitious might well be considered as in keeping with the exceptionally fine building site offered by the new property.

**MAP NORTH FROM GARIBALDI  
DISTRICT.**

A map from Mt. Castle Towers north to beyond Wedge Mountain and extending from Cheakamus River's headwaters west to Alta Lake, has been compiled by Neal M. Carter who led the climbing parties at the summer camp. The scale is one mile to the inch. It contains a great fund of information for anybody interested in the region, and is a highly creditable piece of work which may be pointed to as showing the amount of exploration done by the Club. Mr. Carter's method of indicating glaciers and snowfields proves most successful and pleasing to the eye.

Copies are for sale and may be obtained from Mr. Carter for 50 cents.

**CONGRATULATIONS.**

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Milledge are to be congratulated on the birth of a son.

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Miss D. C. R. Elliott, one of our best known lady members, was married on November 1st to Arthur Hatton of Kamloops, her new home. As some evidence of the Club's esteem she was presented with two silver cake baskets, but a formal presentation was not possible owing to a change in date of the wedding.

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Mr. J. G. Rimmer was married last month to Miss Edith M. Jew, of Halesowen, Worcestershire, England. They are now living at 116 5th Street East, North Vancouver. Mrs. Rimmer shares her husband's interest in the mountains.

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**TRIP UP LARSEN'S TRAIL.**

The trip up Grouse Mountain by Larsen's trail brought out 24 members under the leadership of President Frank Johnson. The weather was excellent. A variation in the intended route was made, the party going to the Club Cabin for lunch, then continuing to the plateau during the finest part of the afternoon and spending a short time at Alpine Lodge, where the temperature was found to be 52 degrees in the shade—warm for November 16.

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Mr. Reg. Shurie is back in town for the winter, also Mr. Knowlton and Mr. Robie.

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Miss Vera Marshall, 1594 12th Avenue West, has been elected to membership.

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**MEMORIAL TABLET.**

Mr. R. E. Knight is putting the finishing touches on a memorial tablet for the Club Cabin, to bear the names of the six members who gave their lives in the Great War.

*For Your*

*Personal Christmas Greetings*