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The B. C. MOUNTAINEER wishes to take this opportunity of hoping that its readers had a most enjoyable Christmas, and wishes them a most Prosperous and Happy New Year.

### THE ANNUAL DANCE

The Annual Dance, held on November 25th, was a huge success, and the committee in charge is to be congratulated on their efforts, which were greatly appreciated by all who were fortunate enough to be there. The Dance has now become an annual affair and there is no doubt but what it adds greatly to the sociability between Club members.

### SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING

Many important matters were discussed at the Semi-Annual Meeting, held in the Sports Room of the Hotel Vancouver on

November 6th. The most important item discussed was one which is of vital interest to every member of the Club, namely, a new Club cabin. For some time now, it has been felt that a new cabin is absolutely necessary, and the subject was first brought up at the Annual Meeting last March. At that meeting, the matter was placed in the hands of a committee which has been engaged in drawing up specifications and getting tenders. It was finally decided at the last meeting to leave this matter in the hands of a committee and to advise members when something more definite had been drawn up. Further particulars regarding the proposed new cabin will be found elsewhere in this issue.

Another subject which is also of great importance to the Club was brought up. That is, the attitude which the City Officials have taken with regard to trips over the water-shed. At the present time it is very indefinite just how the Club stands in this matter, but we hope to know something soon, and members will be notified as to the decision of the City and Provincial officers on this matter.

### MOUNT CAPILANO TRIP

Although the ascent of Mt. Capilano was not completed on account of most adverse weather, sufficient information was obtained about the approach to this mountain to make it quite a simple matter to stage a trip there in the spring-time on an ordinary week-end. The party left Vancouver Saturday afternoon, and arrived at South Valley Beach, about a mile and a half below Britannia Beach, in three hours' time. They were met there

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by Frank Smith of Britannia, who led them up a very good trail to the cabin at the South Valley Dam on Furry Creek. The cabin, which is occupied by the watchman, was found to be most comfortable, and the dryness and warmth was especially appreciated in view of the very bad weather which prevailed over that weekend. From this point the ascent of Mt. Capilano under ordinary conditions should be quite straightforward. There is a good trail leading to Marion and Phyllis Lakes, which lie at the bottom of the ridge leading to the summit of the mountain. The view from here should be exceptionally fine on account of its position at the head of Capilano Valley, and it is to be hoped that this peak will be included in the spring or summer schedule. The distance from the Beach to the cabin is not very great and it only takes about one hour to cover it, so there is no doubt that the trip could be very easily made in a short weekend.

## THE NEW CABIN

Members will soon be receiving a notice giving the specifications of the proposed new cabin and the findings of a committee that was appointed to look into the matter of the cost. It was agreed at the Semi-annual Meeting that it would be necessary for a large portion of the cost of the cabin to be raised by subscription of Club members, and it is hoped that when the proposition is put up to members that they will give the committee their generous support, by replying immediately to the Secretary with the form filled out.

## HOLLYBURN RIDGE

On November 22nd, a party of thirty-two members made the trip to Hollyburn Ridge and Peak under the leadership of Mr. Ted Taylor. Fine weather prevailed and the view from the summit was all that could be desired. The return was made by way of Brothers' Creek and the party reached town early Sunday evening. A circle trip such as this is most interesting, as very little ground is covered twice. The route followed was by way of 22nd Street and Naismith Mill, and the regular return route was left just below Hollyburn Peak, Brothers' Creek being followed to a large lake which lies on the eastern end of Hollyburn Ridge. From this point a good trail and skid road led right down to Marine Drive at Hollyburn.

## THE DIRECTOR'S TRIP

Most propitious weather favored the trip to Dam Mountain from the cabin via the Alpine Club trail. A large turnout meekly followed while Director Tom Fyles started "down" from the cabin. Some thought it was a joke, and that everyone was going back to the city; this was soon corrected when the ascent began again in real earnest below the Alpine Club cabin.

The sun came out just as the party got level with the cliffs of Grouse, and continued to make the landscape, with its fresh fall of snow, most suitable for photography. Dam was reached earlier than expected, so some of the crowd were inveigled into further trips to Crown, Goat and Kennedy lake. All reunited at the cabin for a big dinner, at which Gus Fraser displayed his culinary art.

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## SERVICE FOR MOUNTAINEERS

A letter has been received from Rev. A. H. Sovereign advising that a special service for Mountaineers will be held at St. Mark's Church on Sunday, January 31st, at 7.30 p.m. A cordial invitation has been extended to all members of our Club.

## SONG BOOK

A Committee consisting of Messrs. W. G. Wheatley, Tom Fyles and R. E. Knight has been formed for the purpose of compiling an official Club Song Book. It has been felt for a long time that such a book would be most desirable for the Club, especially for Summer Camps. The committee asks that members hand in suggestions for this book as soon as possible, bearing in mind that the words should be set to well-known tunes.

## FORTHCOMING TRIPS

January 9th and 10th—Snowshoe trip to Lynn Lake, camp to be made somewhere near Lynn Forks. This should be a very pleasing trip, especially if snow conditions are satisfactory. Leader, H. D. Foster; end man, Neal Carter. *Blood tests absolutely necessary*; if you haven't one, phone Sey. 7590 for details. January 23rd to 24th—Mt. Bishop. Camp will be made at Bishop Beach which will be reached by launch from Vancouver. Leader, H. Nunn; end man, to be appointed.

## NEW YEAR'S DINNER

The Cabin Committee announces that the New Year's Dinner will be held at the cabin on Sunday, January 3rd. A list will be left in Camera and Arts for those intending to participate.

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One of our prominent members, Mr. Fred. Smith, has been transferred to the Bank of Montreal at Prince Rupert. We shall all miss Fred, but will no doubt hear of him forming a Club at Prince Rupert and climbing some of the mountains there. We understand that this sport can be indulged in on the streets of that City. Fred will be glad to hear from his former climbing companions.

## KEEP YOUR CAMPS CLEAN

All good mountaineers should aim to keep their camping places absolutely clean, and it is to be regretted that our Club has not followed this rule in the past as carefully as it might. We should all remember that the Club is judged by the actions of its individual members, and if it is found that after Club members have been on a trip, they leave an untidy camping ground, whether it is on a Club trip or not, it will reflect back on the Club. It is to be hoped that everyone will bear this in mind and see that their camps are always in a clean and tidy condition with everything cleaned up and rubbish burnt when camp is broken.

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**PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION**

As a reminder that the Second Annual Photographic Competition is drawing near, a summary of the rules may be profitably reprinted.

The enlargements for competition must have been taken by the exhibitor within the year previous to the opening of the competition (early next March). They may range in size from 5 in. x 7 in. to 14 in. x 18 in. and are to be mounted only, not framed. *Tinted* enlargements are barred, although the commercial sepia and blue *toning* will be allowed.

**CLASSES**

- A. MOUNTAINEERING ACTIVITY—Illustrative of individual or party engaged in active climbing.
- B. ON THE HIGH RIDGES—Including passes and peaks.
- C. PICTORIAL—Waterfalls, Lakes, Alps, Reflections, Clouds, etc.
- D. WILD BIRDS AND ANIMALS.
- E. TREES AND FLOWERS.
- F. GEOLOGICAL PHENOMENA—SNOW, Ice and Rock formations.
- G. PANORAMA—Not less than three panels, unenlarged.
- H. GROUP OF SIX UNENLARGED—Prints illustrative of *one* of the above classes.

For further details, refer to your June, 1925 copy of the "B. C. Mountaineer" or speak to the Secretary, Mr. R. E. Knight. Members will please note that the word "unenlarged" is to apply to the last two classes, which have been slightly altered since the previous publication.

**FIRST AID TO THE INJURED**

Members of any Mountaineering Club like to think of themselves as belonging to a class of individuals that has become so

inured to the ordinary weaknesses of mankind that they are able to brave any treacherous mountain slope, raging stream, precipitous cliff, etc., etc.

This is a splendid ideal, but at times it seems that we are only made of clay after all, and sometimes break. Now, how many of us really know what to do in the case of an accident in the hills? That is, the *proper* thing to do or not to do? Or, because of our powers, we may safely reach some spot where someone less fortunate has already come to grief, as sometimes happens.

Unless you can state off hand how to treat a severe laceration of, say, the anterior peroneal artery, you had better attend that St. John's First Aid course that the Y. M. C. A. will commence early in January. It is a six week's course, with credits given upon completion. Our omniscient Secretary, Mr. Knight, will again furnish details upon request, and states that if a sufficient number of ladies so desire, arrangements might also be made for a similar course at the Y. W. C. A. This would be an excellent addition to your Mountaineering, and of more use than spending the same number of evenings arguing whether Triconi nails should have two prongs or three.

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