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THE ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting of the Club will be held in the Sports Room of the Hotel Vancouver on Wednesday evening, March 17th, at 8 o'clock. In addition to the election of officers many other items of vital interest to the Club are to be discussed. It is hoped there will be a good attendance at this meeting.

NOMINATION FOR OFFICERS

FOR 1926

In accordance with the motion passed at the Semi-Annual Meeting of November 6th, 1925, formal notice is given that all nominations must be in the hands of the Secretary three weeks prior to the Annual Meeting.

Also that all such nominations must have the endorsement of five members, together with the signature of the nominee, thus signifying their willingness to stand for office.

This change was made, believing that the best interest of the Club would be thus served; members will be able to give careful thought in the selection made, and those nominated will have the opportunity of fully considering the matter.

Nominations are required for:

Honorary President	Director
President	Editor
Two Vice-Presidents	Publicity Reporter
Secretary	Librarian
Treasurer	Auditor

Executive Committee of five.

EXECUTIVE MEETING

One of the chief items discussed at the last meeting of the Club Executive was the matter of blood tests. Up till the present the status of the Club as regards making trips over the watershed has been rather indefinite; for the past few months there has been the added difficulty of obtaining blood tests. We hope to be able to give definite information regarding this matter in the next issue.

Five new applications for membership were passed—Miss Adele Siddeley, Miss Phyllis Tweedale, Miss Gertrude Fraser, Messrs. Leslie K. Shaw and Harry Bolton.

PHOTOGRAPHIC EXHIBITION

The Second Annual Photographic Exhibition will be held at Room 20, School Board Offices for four days commencing Wednesday, February 24, from 4 p.m. to

9.30 p.m. The rules for the competition were placed before the Club in the June, 1925, Bulletin, and the list of amended classes was published in the last number.

Club members are reminded that while prizes will be given in each class in order to stimulate interest, the arrangements are for an *exhibition*, not a competition, and a good selection of Garibaldi pictures are particularly required. We wish to show ourselves and the public the varied extent of our mountaineering activities, and the large number who share in them. It shows poor sportsmanship to refuse to make an entry unless you are sure of a prize, and most of us have taken at least one picture worthy of a seventy-five cent enlargement. *Pictures not taken last year may be entered for exhibition.*

Mr. Knight will again act as daddy to your treasures if you will leave them at Kent's Store at 339 Hastings West (where they will be returned after the exhibition) as soon as possible. Remember to read the rules, not forgetting that the public appreciate knowing whether they are looking at a picture of Cathedral-on-the-water-shed, or Cathedral-in-the-Rockies.

Messrs. Leonard Frank and Dunne have consented to act as judges, and the following firms have donated prizes:

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- E. Lipsett & Co.....68 Water St.
- C. Bannister.....1154 Robson St.
- R. F. L. Brown & Co..343 Pender St. W.
- K. G. Mackenzie.....619 Granville St.
- Camera & Arts.....610 Granville St.
- Walter H. Calder.....627 Granville St.

THE NEW YEAR'S DINNER

Those who were fortunate enough to attend the Annual New Year's Dinner at the Club Cabin on January 3rd, were unanimous in voting the affair a huge success. A number of members went up to the Cabin Saturday night and acquired an appetite by climbing Grouse and Dam Sunday morning, while others found that the trip from town on Sunday was all that was necessary.

Great credit is due to the members of the Cabin Committee for the way in which the meal was served.

MOUNT SEYMOUR TRIP

Although the week-end of January 9-10 was scheduled for a snowshoe trip to Lynn Lake, it was decided, in view of certain difficulties over blood tests and the fact that there was not sufficient snow for snowshoeing, that a trip would be made up Mount Seymour by a new route. The route picked for the trip consisted of following along the top of the ridge, commencing at a point above Seymour Canyon.

The Seymour Creek pipe line road was left at a point half way between the canyon and the steel bridge, and a skid road ascended in a northeasterly direction to an old logging camp, where the night was spent. When the party left the camp about 8.15 in the morning, the prospects

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of a fine trip were none too good, as it was quite misty; but much to everyone's delight, when the skidroad was followed to a few hundred feet above the camp, they were looking down on the mist, with a cloudless sky above. The day was so warm and the sun so bright that it was hard to realize that it was a "Winter trip." The same conditions were apparent all day and it was possible to get a drink on top by breaking a few inches of ice.

This trip was made pleasant by the fact that a skid road goes up the mountain to an altitude of 3,000 feet, thus missing the worst of the bush. It was interesting to note the fine stand of yellow cedar at the end of the skid road, this valuable timber no doubt being the only reason that the road went to such an altitude.

A short climb from the end of the road brought the party to the ridge, where the route goes by some lakes, and very soon the crest of the ridge was reached; following the ridge up and down rocky "bumps" the party was soon on Pump Peak directly south of Seymour. On account of icy cliffs, it was necessary to drop quite a distance into the gully which forms the usual route to the peak, but by 12.15 the party were on top. The time taken from the camping place was just four hours.

The views obtained of all the surround-

ing mountains were especially good on account of the exceedingly clear air, but the mist covered everything below fifteen hundred feet over an area as far as could be seen from the peak, extending up the Fraser Valley and covering the Gulf of Georgia as far as Vancouver Island and a great distance to the south.

After the summer weather on top it was with some reluctance that the climbers descended into the "winter" below.

THE NEW CLUB CABIN

Have you sent in your contribution for the New Club Cabin?

So far, we have had a very good response, and those who have subscribed have done so generously, but we still need YOUR help if it is to be successful. Only about one-third of our membership have responded to the call. Remember, no work will be begun until all the money has been subscribed. Please be prompt in order to speed the matter, so that the New Cabin may become an accomplished fact THIS YEAR.

NEW MOUNTAINEERING BOOKS

THE FIGHT FOR EVEREST: 1924.

LT.-COL. E. F. NORRON, D.S.O., and others.

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The high points of the narrative are, of course, Norton and Somervell's attempt, on which Norton reached 28,126 feet, and Mallory and Irvine's tragic attempt, on which they were last seen at 28,230 feet. May we soon receive an account of the successful termination to this 5-year battle.

"RETURN BOOKS PROMPTLY"

BY THE LIBRARIAN

The Librarian advises that a good many of the Club library books are overdue. Members will be doing the Club a real good turn if they will see that all books are returned within the time limit of two weeks to the library, 885 Granville Street.

GAME TRAILS OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

BRYAN WILLIAMS

An interesting book, which gives the reader an insight as to the provincial habitat of game animals, and intimate glimpses of several parts of our country. The mountaineer will find in the author's aversion to glaciers and other experiences a tacit admission of the necessity of proper equipment, which the average woodsman is inclined to scorn. The salvage of certain trophies was a genuine mountaineering exploit.

As in all game books great sympathy is shown for wounded animals, and every effort is made to end their misery. It is plain to the mountaineer, however, that such animals need not be hunted; it increases our regard for our own sport—we take the same risks without causing suffering. The net result is the same—good health and pleasant memories.

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