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THE SUMMER CAMP

Within a day or two, the first contingent for the Bell-Irving camp on the Black Tusk Meadows in Garibaldi Park will be leaving for a one, two, or possibly three week holiday as the case may be, in this alpine wonderland. On their return, glowing accounts of the trips and adventures at the camp will doubtless fire many of our new members and their friends with the enthusiasm and desire of seeing the Park for themselves; possibly it will then be too late to make arrangements, and regrets will be the order of the day.

Why not save yourself that "I told you so!" feeling by sending your application for Camp immediately to either Mr. Knight or Mr. Cayley? Although the Camp has been described before, it will do no harm to run over the facts once more:

The Bell-Irving Camp is being immediately followed by the B.C.M.C. Camp, the dates for the former being July 14th-Aug.

7th, and for the latter, Aug. 8th-Aug. 22nd. Both camps are being operated on exactly the same scale as regards cost and management; the fee is \$24 for one week, \$35 for two weeks, with odd periods in reasonable proportion. Persons may attend for any period that best suits their holidays, even if it lies partly in both Camps, which will run consecutively. This fee includes all meals in Camp (cooked by the now famous Mr. Hardcastle), the accommodation in Camp, and the expenses of packing your equipment from Vancouver to your tent on the Meadows and back again. The return fare will be \$3.60.

The applications from Club members have not been rolling in as fast as was expected—can it be possible that they still fear that the usual climbing, etc., will be interfered with by the visitors? Quite on the contrary, the climbers will have all the climbing they can manage, while those staying around camp will find things even more pleasant than ever before, since our Camp takes over the equipment (tents, tables, etc.) of the previous Camp as it stands. Also consider the pleasant evening campfires in company with a live crowd of new people, among whom many worthwhile friendships may be made. Besides, perhaps this is the last year we will have the Park to ourselves in its untouched state, for the advent of the new trail is sure to mean development soon. In fact, the very purpose of this Camp is to promote such development.

If you only knew how hard the Camp Committee has been working to make the Camp a pleasure and a success, you would try and come. Just to mention two little items—the "Bill Wheatley" will be graced with an Evinrude engine to make the trip down the Lake less laborious, and there will be saddle ponies to ride in on, if so desired.

So, if you can't come yourself, *tell some friend about it and get him or her to go as your proxy.* The date of making application has been extended to make sure everyone that can manage it will have the opportunity of coming.

YOU WILL BE SORRY IF YOU DON'T COME.

RECENT TRIPS

The Echo Peak trip this year was exceptionally exciting due to the fact that the gully leading to the ridge was more dangerous than usual because of the badly undermined snow over the waterfalls. One necessary side excursion up a 100-foot cliff occupied two hours! This route has become justly popular since it adds a little spice to an otherwise insignificant peak. One does not begrudge the extra time spent in doing stunts in the gully, because of the safe assurance of the easy "back-door route" down a good trail on the return. The trip was under the capable management of Art Cooper and Bill Dobson.

Dudley Foster and Harold O'Connor had a good turnout on the Hollyburn trip, again proving the popularity of the shorter and less strenuous trips with new and prospective members.

Twelve members made the ascent of Mt. Harvey (Brunswick Pinnacle) on June 6th under the leadership of Director Tom Fyles. The entire lack of snow occasioned a little bushwhacking, and several fine species of windfalls were visited; despite this, the summit was gained in a little over five hours from the beach on Howe Sound, which is pretty good time for climbing nearly 6,000 feet.

The view from the summit was the best that has been experienced in the local mountains for some time, Mt. Rainier being easily visible. In fact, everyone in the hills that week-end commented on the clearness of the atmosphere. Ted Taylor acted as end-man.

LIBRARY BOOKS AGAIN

The Librarian regrets to report that books are being taken from the Library without the borrower taking the trouble of making the proper entry in the book provided for the purpose. Many of the Club's books are not obtainable elsewhere in the city, and they can only be of most use to the members when properly treated. The plea of forgetfulness when a book is kept out after being properly signed for is excusable; but when no record is made of its removal, and it fails to return—well, for instance, who has the 1921 Everest book?

THE NEW TRAIL UP BLACK

Gone is the terror of Black Mountain! No longer will the haggard-faced party come staggering back to the Lake with tattered shirts and bleeding arms, to be welcomed as returning tropical explorers! Brick Spouse and his huskies on the Club's second annual trail-cutting trip dived into the dank forest early in the morning from their camp at the far end of the lake above Horseshoe Bay, emerging only now and then for air until they came out at the foot of the big gully, with a well-cut trail behind them. The gully on the face of the rocky bluff was chosen as part of the route because of its open character not necessitating any clearing; a second party who had slept out on the top of the ridge all night were simultaneously finishing the trail from the top of the gully to the peak.

The result is, coupled with the existing pipeline trail from the shore of the Bay up to the Lake, the complete route is now so straightforward that Black Mountain easily comes within the category of a day trip from Vancouver. A couple of signs were placed at necessary points, and to introduce Black Mt. to the public, the Club sent several members to act as guides to as many people as cared to catch the 8:40 a.m. train from North Vancouver, Sunday, July 4th.

The innovation has proven a valuable addition to the summer programme. The gang works hard for the day, and may not get much kick out of it as a "trip," but there is a lot of satisfaction in walking back over a trail where jungle existed only the morning before. Besides, it only comes once a year.

The division of labor could be perhaps more expeditiously organized on future trips, since end-man Tom Fyles and one helper, who undertook to put on the finishing touches to the trail, were soon left miles behind by the main cutting party, which was probably so large that they were in one another's way. The cleaning out of the underbrush and dead branches underfoot is tedious, but improves things wonderfully. However, the trail is an accomplished fact, and will doubtless prove popular with hikers who know only Grouse and Hollyburn Ridge.

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WHAT'S THE MATTER WITH
THE TRIPS?

The matter of poor attendance on trips, the new cabin, Garibaldi Camp, and other sundry items have assumed such proportions as to necessitate a General Meeting which was held on July 8th, a report of which will be given in the next issue. The launch trips have been poorly attended, and unless the Lions trip has a good turnout, the Club is going to lose money on them. To assure members that they will not be conscripted to spend the day waiting behind some less experienced climber in going up the face of the Lion, special attention is being called to the fact that on the Lions trip of Sept. 18th and 19th, subsidiary parties will be formed to provide interest to those who have been up the usual route several times, by making attempts on the north-eastern face of the Western Lion, as well as perhaps climbing the Eastern Lion (which usually gets neglected) from both front and back.

As an example of poor attendance, the Coquitlam trip was called off because the only person whose name was on the list besides the leader and end-man, was quite willing to compromise on a trip up Cathedral and White, which was carried off most successfully under fine weather conditions.

On the contrary, the concurrent trip up Larson's trail under the leadership of President Frank Johnson with Mickey Dodds as end-man, proved a most valuable training trip for newer members unexperienced in rock-work. The usual route from the cabin was varied by little excursions up more or less steep rocks where the use of the rope was demonstrated. About twenty were on the trip, with a goodly percentage of the fair sex.

MOUNTAIN EARS

At the last Executive meeting, Miss Katharine Pratt, Mr. Allan Pearse and Mr. Humphrey Mostyn were elected to membership.

A motion for adoption of an approximately \$700.00 contract for the new Club cabin was passed, the details of which were more fully discussed at the meeting of July 8th, to be reported on later.

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The Alpine Club of Canada, following its usual custom, has invited six of our members to attend their camp in Tonquin Valley, Jasper Park, under the same privileges as A. C. C. members. Further information for those interested may be obtained from our Secretary.

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An invitation has been received from the Mt. Baker Club of Bellingham to accompany them on a joint trip up Mt. Baker. News has also been received that a fine new hut has been constructed on the next ridge to Heliotrope, at an elevation equal almost to the latter camp. Club members contemplating trips in the vicinity have been invited to make use of this hut, providing our Secretary is notified in time to send the necessary notification.

A FAST TRIP

Mr. Frank Smith, in company with Colonel Foster, Dr. Bell and Mr. Harold Graves of the Alpine Club, made a record trip up the Black Tusk by leaving Vancouver Saturday morning, July 3rd, and returning Sunday evening. The Club may expect this trip on the summer programme some day.

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STILL A MYSTERY

Although unsuccessful in attaining the summit of the high peak which formed the object of a five weeks' trip to the country west of Chilco lake, Mr. and Mrs. Don Munday and party have returned with much interesting information regarding the wonderfully glaciated area surrounding this peak. The full report of the expedition is anticipated with great pleasure.

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The trip to White Mt. led by Bill Wheatley was somewhat spoilt by poor weather. Five reached the summit, but the end man hardly saw the leader all day for fog.

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The Club lost another bachelor on June 11th, when Mr. Adam ("Ted") Taylor was married to Miss Winnifred Spouse at a very pretty white wedding held in St. Stephen's Church, West Vancouver. Following a motor tour to the South, Mr. and Mrs. Taylor have taken residence in West Vancouver. The Club extends its best wishes to the young couple.

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A letter has been received by the Editor from Dr. Mack Eastman, a Club member now with the International Labor Office, League of Nations, Geneva. Dr. Eastman tells of scaling some of the lesser Alps, and enclosed a photo of himself in full climbing regalia, wishing to be remembered to the Club.

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Mr. Chas. J. Heaney, former Club president for several years, is again in Vancouver after a prolonged sojourn in Los Angeles, expressing a possible intention of remaining in this city. The Club would appreciate having him visit his old haunts once more, and would welcome his advice on the new cabin. Mr. Heaney tells of surveying for the present cabin many years ago, one wintry day when several feet of snow lay on the ground. The survey started up near the Plateau, and much merriment was caused by chasing the "line" down over the rock-slide to the Perpendicular Farm in the deep snow.

Arthur Cooper and Bill Hendry have just reported a trip to Garibaldi Park, during which they climbed the Black Tusk, Red Mt., Panorama Ridge and Garibaldi itself. They state that the snow is gone from the Black Tusk meadows and that the mosquitoes were very bad; a good sign, since their season being short means they will be over before the Summer Camps. The glaciers are very open, and the two usual bergschrunds on Garibaldi are very wide, stretching right across the north face. They were favored with fine weather and are very enthusiastic about the district.

The new trail is reported to be a regular dream compared to the old one, and goes to within a quarter mile of the shack on the Meadows. An inscription states it was completed June 12th. Visitors are already in evidence on the meadows as a proof of its popularity.

The party were thirty hours on their trip from the meadows around the Lake to Garibaldi and back, and spent a night out with little food and no blankets. The boats on the Lake will shorten this trip to one day, but at the Summer Camp a subsidiary camp at the far end of the Lake will make it even shorter.

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