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ANNUAL MEETING, MARCH 20, 1928

The twentieth Annual Meeting of the Club was held in Room 132 Hotel Vancouver on Tuesday, March 20th, 1928, with President Frank Johnson in the chair.

Mr. Geo. Wallis, Treasurer, read an account of the Club's financial standing, which is in good shape, showing a bank balance at December 31st, 1927, of \$543.24. Many thanks are due George for the capable way in which he has handled the Club's finances during the past year and we are all pleased to see him take over the position for the ensuing twelve months.

Mr. Ford followed with a report of the activities of the Cabin Committee during the past year. He also asked that mem-

bers please be guided by the Cabin rules, which when one stops to think of it, are not very hard to obey and are for the good of the Club as a whole.

There seems to be much controversy among certain members as to what is to become of the green timber around the Cabin. A few are of the opinion that it should be cleaned out all together while others want the brush removed leaving the larger trees standing which they say will give the premises around the Cabin a park like atmosphere, but is that what we want? True some of the brush must be removed but remember that "it takes a million years to grow a forest—it can be destroyed in a few hours."

Discussion then arose as to the disposition of the old cabin. Certain of our members asked if they might pay the taxes on the property for the coming year in return for which the Club to give them exclusive use of the cabin, the Club having power to ask them to vacate if they (the Executive) thought that this arrangement was not for the best interest of the Club. The majority there did not fall in with this arrangement and so the matter was dropped. It was then decided to leave the old cabin in the hands of the Cabin Committee who would undertake to keep it in as good repair as possible.

Summer Camp is only four short months away but nothing was definitely decided as to where we would go this year. Three places were mentioned; The Selkirks, Avalanche Pass and the country around Fitzsimmons Creek, and Strathcona Park on Vancouver Island. Since the meeting a letter has been received from Mr. Brewster giving us his rates for the hire of pack horses, etc., and his price practically removes all thought of the Selkirks. This matter, concerning where we will spend this summer, will be decided at the first meeting of the new executive and details will be published in a later issue of the B. C. Mountaineer.

Mr. Chas. Dawson kindly offered to donate stain enough to give our living room at the Cabin a new spring coat. His offer was gratefully accepted.

Mr. Perry said a few words about the protection of our local wild flowers which should be undertaken by all members of the Club. The Club is going to have signs made regarding the above and the co-operation of the North Shore Municipalities in granting permission to display these signs in prominent places will be asked.

The officers and executive members for the ensuing year are the same as were published in last month's edition of the Bulletin. Any ideas or suggestions which will benefit the Club will be welcomed by the Executive, so it is up to every one to help make the coming year the best ever.

SOCIAL EVENING, MARCH 14

On Wednesday, March 14th, a very enjoyable evening was spent by members of the Club at the home of Mrs. Dobson. Anyone who did not know which house on 18th Avenue was the Dobsons could hardly have made a mistake because of the mountaineering atmosphere which prevailed on the front porch. A pair of mountaineering boots, each decorated with a lighted bug, together with a pair of snow-shoes over the door spelled welcome to any Mountaineer.

The evening quickly passed with games, piano selections, dancing, motion picture films and EATS. Most of the members thought they knew the names of all the local peaks but Mr. Dobson, who doesn't do very much climbing, soon showed us that we couldn't write the names of twenty peaks down on a piece of paper and get them right. (You had to be there to appreciate this one). Miss Dorothy Dobson rendered two very nice selections at the piano which were greatly enjoyed by everyone. A two reel film of mountaineering

activities was shown through the courtesy of Mr. Campbell of the Canadian Parks Board. These pictures depicted climbing around Lake Louise and the Little Yoho Valley. The pictures were very clear and Mr. Campbell deserves a hearty vote of thanks for the time he spent in showing us these pictures, which dealt mainly with snow and rock work. The rest of the evening was spent dancing, during which refreshments were served.

The ladies responsible for this Social deserve much credit for the delightful evening they arranged and we hope they realized their objective.

EXECUTIVE MEETING, MARCH 15

President Frank Johnson called an Executive Meeting on March 15th at which general business and the summer schedule of climbs were discussed. P. Bengough and T. Followfield were admitted to the Club as Graduating members.

**MOONLIGHT TRIP TO GOAT PEAK
MARCH 3 AND 4**

While this trip was scheduled as a "Moonlight" climb it was, at the last moment, changed by consent of the majority to a "Sunrise" trip. The party, arriving at the Club Cabin at various hours on Saturday night, retired to sleep or not, as they saw fit. The "alarm" was sounded at 1.20 a.m. and leaving the cabin at 1.45 the party "strolled" to the Chalet by bug-light, arriving at 3.15 a.m. The moon being very high and bright, bugs were no longer necessary and the balance of the journey was indeed a "Moonlight" trip. The cabin on Goat Ridge was reached at 5 a.m. and after rousing some of our sleeping members, who had spent the night there, coffee and refreshments were enjoyed.

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The party left the cabin at 6.10 a.m. and arrived on Goat Peak at 6.50. There was ample time for the camera brigade to arrange themselves for the coming event and when the sun rose at 7 o'clock it was greeted by thirty-eight enthusiastic worshippers. As the moon sank behind Crown, the East was aflame with the rising sun which illuminated the higher peaks such as the Sawteeth, Mamquam and Garibaldi exceptionally well. After several pictures of the party had been taken the return journey was made in bright sunlight.

Several of the boys remained on Goat Ridge to enjoy the glissading and tobogganing (ask Bill and Les how they enjoyed it). The trip was in charge of Harry Somerville with Doc Urquhart as end man. H.S.

WHITE MOUNTAIN, MARCH 24 AND 25

Braving the elements of a storm and under adverse climbing conditions a party of nine assembled at Lynn Forks on the evening of March 24th prepared for the climb of White Mountain on Sunday morning.

Six graduating and three active members of the Club left the Forks at 7.15 a.m. and after encountering much brush and soft snow successfully made the summit at 1.30 p.m.

The party were amply rewarded for their strenuous exertions by viewing some very remarkable shadow effects caused by the dim rays of the sun occasionally filtering through the clouds. Unfortunately clouds prevented a view of Mount Cathedral and the surrounding country. Intense cold curtailed a lengthy stay on White and so the return journey was begun right away.

On the descent great care had to be exercised, owing to the treacherous ice and snow conditions which meant that all gullies had to be given a wide berth.

The party arrived back at Lynn Forks by 5.15 p.m. terminating the last of the Winter Schedule. The graduating members on this trip are to be congratulated on their climbing abilities and behaved well under such trying conditions.

The following composed the personnel of the trip: Misses Evelyn Baynes, Doris Denson; Messrs. Chas. Dawson (Leader), Doc Urquhart (End Man), Jack Morris, W. Spicer, Jeff Eyton, W. H. Hutchings and D. V. Gore. C.D.

SUMMER SCHEDULE

The following is a list of Club Trips up to and including May 18th.

Mar. 31, Apr. 1—Crown from Club Cabin via Crater Rim. Leader Hazen Nunn. End Man Herb Griffin. April 15th—Traverse of Lynn Peaks. Mickey Dodds and Charlie Dawson. April 21st and 22nd—East Goat Ridge and Peak from Club Cabin. George Mailleue and Jack Horan. April 28th and 29th—Cathedral. Bill Dobson and Bill Hendry. May 5th and 6th—Brunswick and Hanover (Launch Trip). Art Cooper and Frank Johnson. May 12th and 13th—Echo Peak via Gulley from Lynn Lake. Brick Spouse and Jim Irving.

Last summer most of our climbing was done in and around our Cabin, but this year the Climbing Committee has drawn up a very interesting schedule of trips and we want to see everyone come out on the climbs and make them a great success.

LAUNCH TRIPS

Last year the Club experienced difficulty in making the launch trips a suc-

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cess owing to the mediocre attendance on same. Now, folks, there are only two launch trips this summer so let's all get together and put them over BIG. IT'S UP TO YOU. Even if you don't climb you can easily spend the day about the beach swimming (maybe) or playing games, etc., such as poker or tiddly winks. Lists will be put in the Club Desk at Eastman Kodak Stores Ltd. the previous Saturday and if by Thursday night the leader thinks there are not enough names down to pay the expenses of the launch, the trip is off. Don't let the leader have to do this. No more calling on the Club to help out with finances which we ourselves should look after. If enough people turn out the trip shouldn't cost you more than \$1.50.

APRIL THE EIGHTEENTH

What does this signify to you? It means that you are summoned to attend a Hard Times dance and Social to be held at the home of Charlie Dawson, 1375 Burnaby Street, at 8.00 p.m. Now, don't say that you haven't anything to wear, because at an affair like this you've got a chance to wear out those old moth eaten clothes. This is the last social to be given this season by the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Club as you might call it, so let's all be there. Remember the date. April 18th at 8.00 p.m.

ONE OF THE MANY USES OF AN ICE AXE

If you found yourself suddenly sliding down a steep icy snow slope on your back, at the bottom of which were some trees, could you stop? Maybe. If you ever get in a predicament as described above the first thing to remember is to hang on to your ice ax. Then roll over onto your stomach and gradually work yourself into such a position, that you are laying on top of your axe with the point towards your feet and the pick sticking into the snow or ice. Pressure should then be brought to bear upon the axe and in this way, with the combined use of your feet and the axe, you can quite readily check your slide. The snow in the local mountains is beginning to pack hard now and great care should be taken when climbing steep gullies or making a steep traverse. There

are many gentle slopes on Hollyburn, Grouse or Dam on which you can practise this method of stopping yourself. Try it next time you are out. It may prevent a nasty accident later on.

GENERAL NEWS BRIEFS

Extract from the Daily Province, March 30th: "As an experiment to test the possibilities of Garibaldi Lake as a game fish area, the Dominion fisheries department will stock the lake with Kamloops trout this summer, if a supply is available."

The lake has already been inspected to determine the possibilities of fish surviving there and a natural spawning ground was revealed.

If this experiment proves successful, it will be very nice in a year or two, to come back from a climb up Garibaldi or the Tusk and enjoy a nice supper of fried trout.

Geo. Wallis is never too busy to give a receipt for Annual Dues which are payable now. How about you?

As this is my first experience at anything of this nature, any criticisms or what have you will be greatly appreciated. If you have anything of interest to the Club pass it along for publication.

—The Editor.

Leaders of Club trips are reminded that they have the power to turn back anyone, who in their estimation is not properly equipped for the climb. It is better to turn people back at the start of the trip than to let them come along and unnecessarily encumber the progress of the climb. To avoid this make sure that your equipment is in first class shape.

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