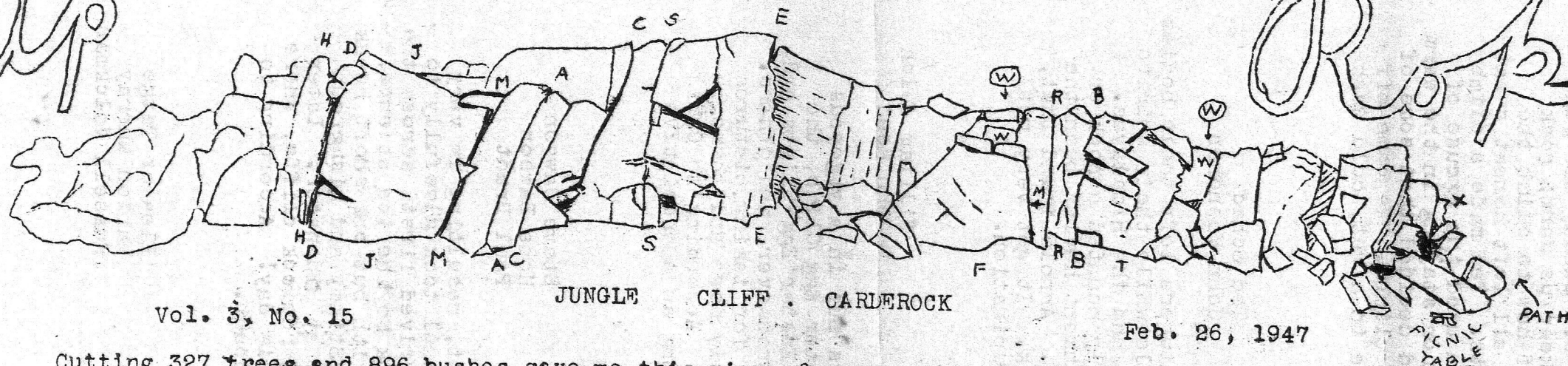


Up

Rope



JUNGLE CLIFF - CARLEROCK

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Cutting 327 trees and 896 bushes gave me this view of our nearby playground. Draw lines between the letters to identify :

- H-H Herbie's Horror
- J-J Jan's face
- D-D Chockstone Chimney
- M-M Margie's Chimney
- A-A The Stolen Handhold
- C-C The Three Chimneys
- S-S Sterling's Crack
- E-E Elsie's Edgeface
- R-R Ronnie's Leap
- B-B Beginner's Climb
- ←M Marlen's chimney or Buckets of Blood chimney.
- W-W Wexler's Worst and stretch continued to X by the Skookumchuck extension.
- T Sterling's Test.
- F Barnacle Face

MEETING MAR 21 8 PM
Colored Slides by Meenehan
on Caving - at the
Bradt's 6626 1st St NW

Classified CLIMBS:

- A-15 Sterling's Crack
- A-18 Herbie's Horror
- B-17 Jan's Face
- B-18 Elsie's Edgeface
- B-19 Wexler's Worst and Stretch

UPS AND DOWNS

The following report was submitted by John Meenehan: "This is the report of the Old Rag trip on the 18th and 19th. The survivors of the planned personnel were Jack Wilson, Ted Schad and myself. We left Washington with the calm assurance that the eye of faith could see no wrong with the weather. Sunday the sun peeped through a thin overcast and helped keep us warm; rock climbing completed the job. The problem of how to climb the various balanced rocks intrigued us, and we all left honest sweat and scraps of skin to testify to our efforts. Ted made a climb up the face near the view but Jack and John used the excuse of taking pictures and safetying as a reason for staying in the warm sun. We scouted climbs on the way down and decided that some of the lower rocks offered some of the higher climbs. We came off the mountain about four o'clock and so home to a wet, cold Washington."

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Arnold Wexler
Chris Scoredos

Ted Schad
John Meenehan

January 26, 1947. The spirited adventurers left their bodies padding about in the downpour at Great Falls while their spirits adventured in the Tetons, Needles, Alaska, and the Himalayas. After, in a physical way, having desultorily mounted a rock or two, they turned back, the chief accomplishment having been the giving of good practice to their raincoats. Arnold found that, as suspected, his nylon poncho doesn't leak. It got very wet inside in the Selkirks, doubtless from perspiration.

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Arnold Wexler
Chris Scoredos

John Meenehan
Jack Wilson

William Welch
John Reed

On February 2, 1947, the Rock Climbers put in a vigorous practice day at Carderock climbing the Easter Egg Climb, the Courte Echelle Climb (downstream from the Easter Egg Climbs and Jan's Waterloo), the Jackknife, Arthur's Crossover, and others. Arnold took advantage of his opportunities for taking pictures of peoples' feet as they performed delicately here and there in Bramanis, tennis shoes, but no bare feet. According to Chris about 40 Wanderbirds turned up, constituting an appreciative audience.

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Chris Scoredos
Eleanor Tatge
Claudia Hinds

H. F. Stimson
Ellen Dawson
Monty Powell

Steve Dawson
Hope Dawson
Paul Bradt

February 9, 1947. The ice was perfect, resulting in very little climbing at Carderock as the personnel took gleefully to the canal. Chris, Claudia, and Eleanor arrived first, across the canal from the Taylor Model Basin, and took to the ice at once, skating up to the Angler's Inn and back, with but one short break of unfrozen canal in the entire stretch. Stimmy and his group arrived shortly after. Lunch was eaten up at Tidewater. Later in the afternoon Chris found Paul at the Carderock cliffs, where was done all the climbing that was done this day. According to Chris, Paul got in some good sketching, though.

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Arnold Wexler
John Reed
Meredith Wilson
Fitz Clark

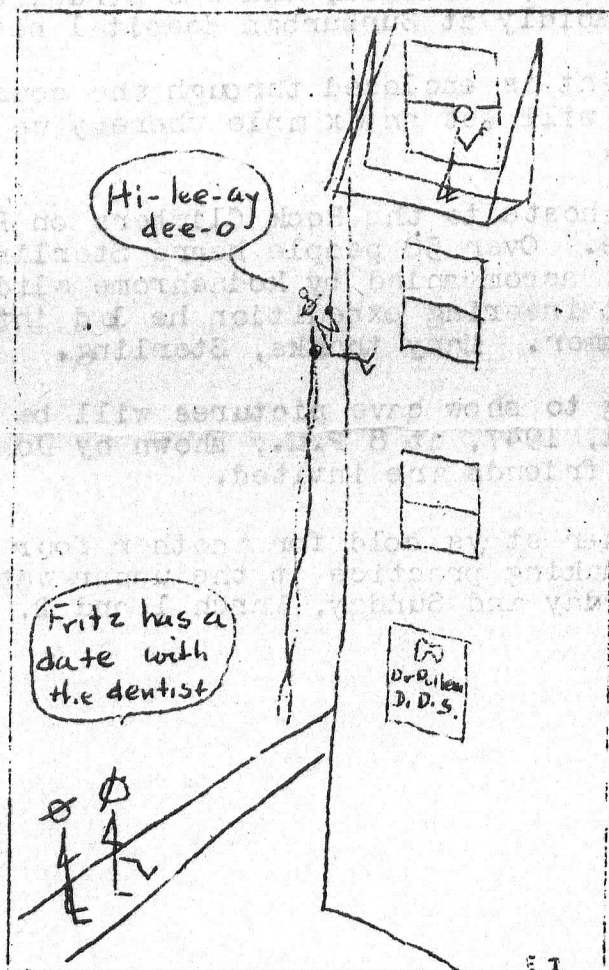
Chris Scoredos
Dolores Alley
Betty Alley
Billy Alley

Eleanor Tatge
Marion Murray
Russell Volckman

Chris, Dolores, Eleanor, and the four children started their day on skates on the canal where some of the young fry had their first lessons on skating. Chris soon left for the cliffs where he found the rest of the men diligently at work on Arnold's Arduous Ascent. After he had demonstrated Leonard's Lunacy, lunch was eaten around a comforting fire. Afterwards Fitz climbed the Three Chimney Climb, and some good practice was put in on Ronnie's Leap.

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On February 23, 1947, Chris Scoredos, Arnold Wexler, and Claudia Hinds made a rather late start for Carderock via Anglers' Inn. Claudia and Chris on skates joined Arnold afoot at the trail to the cliffs. We understand some difficulty was experienced by the skaters in getting ashore due to the thinness of the ice at the edges. A most elegant snowball fight was brought to a close when the poor defenseless woman had her head pushed into the snow. Claudia got even later by throwing snowballs at the men while they were both on skates. The rocks were found clear of snow but cold.



BOOKS. A new and revised edition of "Rock Climbing and Mountaineering" by Carl K. Brunning was published in 1946 by Faber & Faber Ltd., 24 Russell Square, London W. C. 1. The author heartily endorses the simple overhand knot for the middleman's knot, as used by our Carderock climbers. The shoulder belay is described, but no mention made of our favorite body belay. The rappel is referred to as the "abseil."

LETTER. Win Lembeck writes: "Maybe you have heard of "our" new duty via the trusty grapevine? At any rate, Art left from Port Hueneme on the 18th of December and managed to hit Manila the first of February. Navy moves fast, doesn't it? He was stuck on Guam for several weeks, hence the delay. Since his arrival he has managed to rent us a house near the old base at Cavite

and now I'm waiting on a Navy ship. At all events, I should be on the way in a few weeks. Or so we hope.

"Art has been very busy getting settled and looking at houses and hasn't mentioned climbing since his arrival. Now that he is somewhat adjusted, I'm sure he will be scouting around for rocks. I've been told to bring a rope and pitons so he, at least, intends to climb something! His new address is:

Ch. Pharm. A. C. Lembek, USN

Staff, Commander Naval Forces Philippines

Box #8

F.P.O. San Francisco, California

Would you change your UP ROPE record? We have no idea how long this new duty will last but, as it should prove interesting, we aren't worried. Our hopes were for duty in Washington but we take what we get and try to like it."

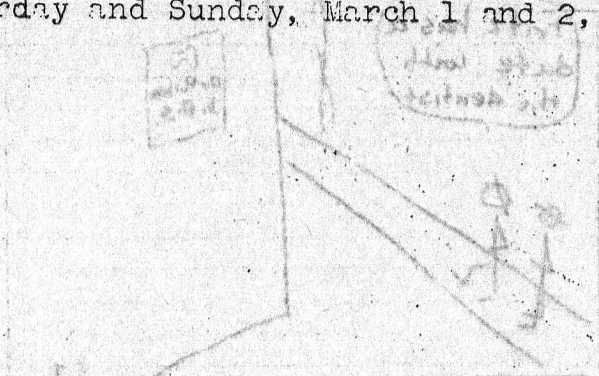
NEWS NOTES. As Dr. William Welch was returning from delivering serum to a snowbound family by air, he landed at Congressional Airport, stepped from the plane, stumbled, and was struck by the propeller. He is recovering rapidly at Surburban Hospital near Rockville.

A magazine supplement is enclosed through the courtesy of Arnold Wexler. We hope this will set an example whereby we will be able to give this service again.

The Hendricks were hosts to the Rock Climbers on Friday, January 31, 1947, at their home. Over 50 people heard Sterling Hendricks deliver a fascinating talk, accompanied by kodachrome slides and motion pictures, on the mountaineering expedition he led into the Northern Selkirks this past summer. Many thanks, Sterling.

MEETING. A meeting to show cave pictures will be held at the Bradts' on Friday, March 21, 1947, at 8 P.M.; shown by John Meenehan. Rock climbers and their friends are invited.

TRIP. If the weather stays cold for another four days there will be ice-cutting, step-making practice at the upper waterfalls of White Oak Canyon on Saturday and Sunday, March 1 and 2, 1947.



TRIPS SCHEDULED BY TRAIL CLUB GROUPS

Key: Under "date" an asterisk (*) indicates that good climbing is available.

Under "sponsoring group" R refers to the rock climbers, and indicates rock climbing; E refers to excursions committee and may indicate a hiking trip; Q refers to the trail overseers group and may indicate a trail work trip.

Under "type of trip" we number successively from one-day trips, designated 1; to camping trips wherein each person is expected to care for himself, 2; camping trips with central commissary under direction of leader, 3; and, last, camping trips wherein a leader cares for food and beds, 4.

Under "transportation" C indicates that the trip is by private car (if you don't know a driver that can take you, consult the leader); T indicates that a truck of limited capacity is available (consult the leader if you want a seat); B indicates that a bus will make the trip (if you wish a seat, arrange through the leader). On truck and bus one-day trips the leader usually arranges for dinner on the way home.

DATE	SPONSOR	TYPE TRIP	LEADS	LOCATION To Be Visited	LEADER
Mar. 9*	R	1	C	Sugarloaf Mt. Md.	Fitzhugh Clark
9	O	1	T	?	C.F. Mersch
15-16	E	4	T	Pocosin shelter, Thornton Gap	Victor A. Howard
23*	R	1	C	Great Falls, Va.	Arnold Wexler
29-30*	R	2	C	Bull Run Mountain, Va.	Chris Scoredos
April 13	E	1	T	Thornton Gap to Little Hogback	Chris Scoredos
19-20*	R	1-2	C	Devils Garden	Sterling Hendricks
27	E	1	T	Swift Run Gap - Northward	Paul Bradt
May 4*	E	1	B	Old Rag Mountain, Va.	Carl Cagle
3-4*	R	1-2	C	" "	Arnold Wexler
9-11	O	3	T	South Shenandoah Pk.	C.F. Mersch
18	E	1	T	Little Hogback-Chester Gap	Malcom Jones
25	O	1	T	?	C.F. Mersch
25*	R	1	C	Echo Cliffs, Va.	Arnold Wexler
30-31	E	3	T	W. Va.	Harold Leich?
June 1*	R	2	C	Shawangunk Mt., N.Y.	Paul Bradt
8	O	1	T	?	C.F. Mersch
14-22	E	3-4	T	Great Smoky Mts.	C.F. Mersch
15*	E	1	E	Bull Run Mt., Va.	Charles P. Thomas
22*	R	2	C	Little Stony Man Mt., Va.	Sam Moore
July 3-6	E	4	E	Mt. Rogers & White Top, Va.	Howard Olmsted
4-6*	R	2	C	Seneca & Nelson Rocks	?
13	O	1	T	?	C.F. Mersch
20*	E	1	T	White Oak Canyon Picnic	David Guy
Aug. 2-3	E	1	T	Moonlight Hike	Chas. P. Thomas
10	E	1	T	?	C.F. Mersch
17	E	1	T	Crystal Cave	Chris Scoredos
24	O	1	T	?	C.F. Mersch
30-31	E	3	T	Smoke Hole, W. Va.	Em. Richardson
(Sept. 1)					

1. Changes are inevitable.

2. Make arrangements at least 1/2 week in advance if possible.