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Notice of Meeting

A meeting of the Rock Climbers will be held at the home of the Fitzhugh Clarkes on Chestnut Street in Gaithersburg, Maryland, on Saturday, December 18, at 8:00 P.M., at which time Pim and Ken Karcher will show their slides taken on their trip to the Columbia Ice Field and glacier, British Columbia, last summer.

Ups and Downs

Sunday, October 31

Great Falls, Maryland

Art Lembeck  
Win Lembeck  
Dave Waddington  
Bernard Weitz

Don Hubbard  
Dave Appel  
Helen Scoredos  
Eric Scoredos

Andy Kaufmann  
Betty Kaufmann  
Chris Scoredos  
Dick Goldman

Climbing started a short distance downstream from the Falls on a crack which had been unsuccessfully attempted as a Grade 4 (no pitons) for a number of years. It was successfully completed as a tension climb. Late in the afternoon the group working on this feat was joined by other climbers working nearby and by Helen and Eric. Helen had not been watching previous attempts to make the climb with a belay from above which had followed the tension work. She attacked the climb with a great deal of vigor, and although she fell about six inches from the top, she had found the key to the problem and both Chris and Art made the ascent by her well-pioneered route. The day was rounded out on a nearby face.