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DON'T MISS ----

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On Friday evening, January 27, Ray Garner of the American and Canadian Alpine Clubs is showing his color movie, "The Mountain" at Constitution Hall.

The movie shows an ascent of the Grand Teton by the Exum route as climbed by Glenn Exum, Paul Petzoldt, and Ray's wife Virginia. We hear that this route up the Grand is one of the airiest and most enjoyable climbs in the Tetons, and the movie is the airiest and most enjoyable climbing picture we have seen.

The old saying, "It takes one to catch one," can surely be applied. It takes a mountaineer to photograph a mountaineer. As a mountaineer Ray has many first ascents to his credit, perhaps the most notable being that of Mt. Brussels in the Canadian Rockies.

Ray has been making movies professionally for fifteen years and feels that background music is as important to the effectiveness of a movie as the picture itself. He has edited this movie especially to fit one of Beethoven's symphonies, which accompanies the movie and lecture.

Unfortunately, tickets to individual Geographic lectures are all too hard to get. If you know of someone who has tickets and will not be attending, by all means beg, borrow, or steal them. We feel that you will be more than repayed for your trouble.

Ups and Downs

Arnold Wexler	Dolores Alley	Andy Kauffman	Ray Moore
John Meenehan	Betty Alley	Betty Kauffman	Suzy Moore
Jan Conn	Billy Alley	Oliver Westfall	Scotty
Herb Conn	Andrea Overman	Richard Hall	Chris Scoredos

Sunday November 27. Even a warm fire was not enough to lure enthusiastic climbers from the cold but still fascinating cliffs of

Caribrock, where great things were done in spite of cold fingers. The Beginner's Crack and Ronnie's Leap started the day's activity, after which an assault was launched upon the off-balance struggle between Ronnie's Leap and the Buckets of Blood Chimney--known to some by the name Swayback Layback. Jan made the climb on her second attempt, followed by Arnold and Herb. Meanwhile Andy and Betty introduced Dick Hall to the Golden Stairs, while Chris was seen practising solo climbing along the Chris-Vex-Don Traverse. Later considerable energy was expended upon Meenehan's Menace, and various climbers

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Our Long-handled Winter Woolies Hanging on the Line to Bleach

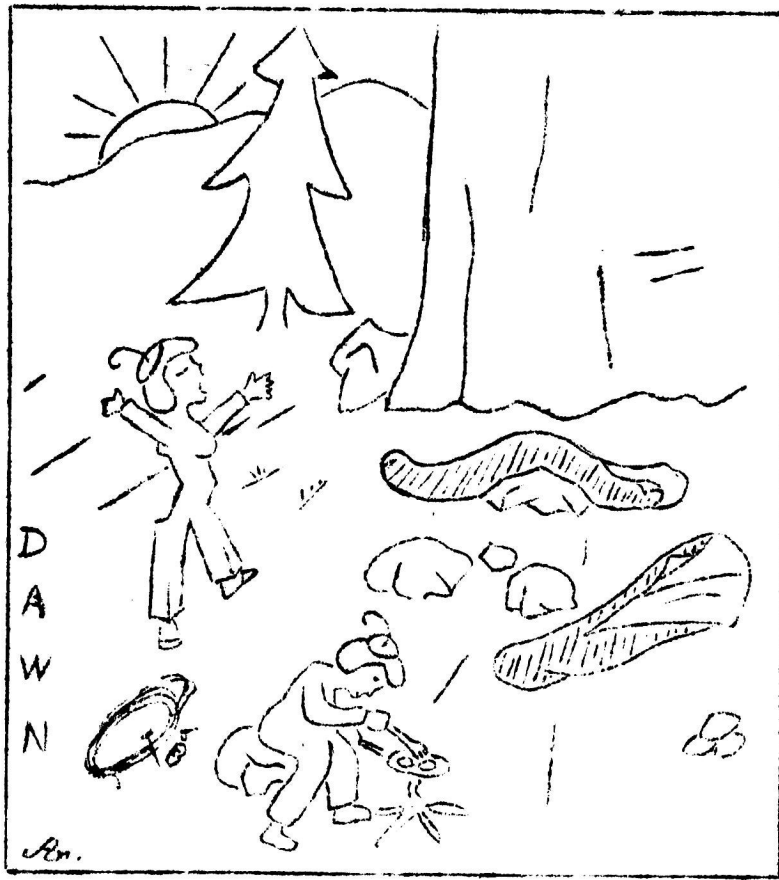
succeeded in reaching the top by various routes--to all of which John Meenehan exclaimed, "Unfair! That's not the route!" However, John was unable to demonstrate how it should be done, whereupon he covered his embarrassment by tempting Arnold with a proposed new route slightly left of the Menace, commencing with the bucket handhold known as Sterling's Test. The proposed route is approximately straight on up, but so many holds were restricted as belonging to other climbs that it is questionable whether Arnold or those that followed him accomplished anything sensationally new.

Ted Schad
Ken Karcher
Pim Karcher

Marion Harvey
Norman Goldstein
Oliver Westfall

Spike Gewiski
Herb Conn
Jan Conn

Sunday, December 4. Don Hubbard joined the group at the Hot Shoppe only long enough to direct their steps to Cupid's Bower for the day's climbing. Some time was spent in hunting for a dry passage to the island, for the one-eighth inch of ice which covered the usual crossing discouraged both wading and crossing on the ice. When at last the rocks were reached by a devious route, no time was lost in suspending a rope over the Master's Degree climb, and at least five climbers proceeded to attain their degrees. After an equal number of ascents of the Bachelor's Climb, the overhanging crack just beside the Bachelor's route came in for its share of attention. When the handholds were duly located, it proved a fine climb. (Question, Stimmy: Is this one of the old familiars? It is a few feet right of the Bachelor's Climb.) All this exercise was to give the climbers a good excuse for pooping out in their Doctor's Degree exam, the



Triangle and Coffin Climb. Although lots of time and energy was devoted to it, only Herb completed the climb. This he had to do twice, since he was disqualified the first time for using the tree at the top.

Inside Corner

Arnold Wexler, Sterling Hendricks, Art Lembeck, Andy and Betty Kauffman and Don Hubbard kept a Saturday night rendezvous with the American Alpine Club in Philadelphia, December 3, where they listened to Walter Wood on climbing Mt. Vancouver, and Sterling and Andy on climbing in the Cariboo Range, British Columbia.

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