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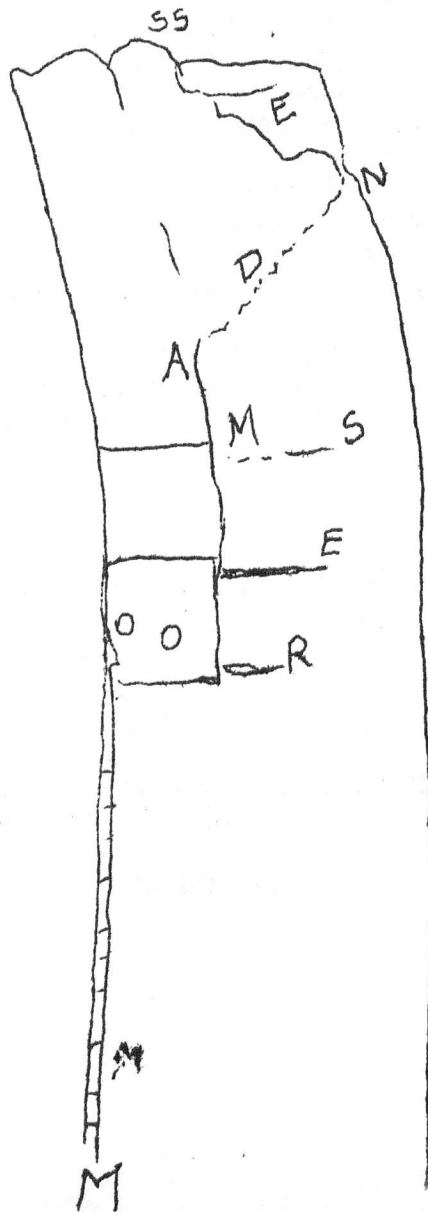
November 1, 1950

MOORE'S MADNESS

We have finally gotten some dope on Moore's Madness, Baker Rock. This rock, you will remember, is reached from West Virginia highway 28 between Petersburg and Moorefield by a private road that finally passes through a gap in the rock. The Madness is a climb up the end of the rock slab just south of this road. If you were on the slab to the north you might trace out the climb somewhat as represented by the letters in the figure.

The section MO is a ladder with adequate piton protection available. Ledge R is reached by crossing an outwardly sloping slab OO under an overhang. For this, the leader is recommended to take advantage of a high protecting piton. From R, platform E 3 ft. x 6 ft. is reached. From the right-hand end of this platform one gains elbow ledge SM. The left end of this takes the first of the seven pitons used to protect the 65 ft. pitch MADNE. The top pitch ESS is easy.

The 250 ft. climb took six hours and Ray would have gladly tarried to put



in another piton at D if a crack had been available. The team was: Ray Moore, leader, Tony Soler second, and Loraine Snyder, piton puller.

UPS AND DOWNS

Chris Scoredos
Eric Scoredos
Marion Wormold

Jim Bullard
Horace Westfall
Ray Moore
Pat Moore

Sterling Hendricks
Andy Kauffman
Betty Kauffman

Sunday, October 15, Carderock

The early animals enjoyed breakfast with Don Hubbard at the Hot Shoppe and were joined by Marion, Chris and Eric before leaving for Carderock. There Jim and Marion climbed Ronnie's Leap while Eric investigated the possibilities of some short ascents feet foremost. Afterwards Marion, Jim, Wes and Ray climbed Jan's Face and Jim and Ray negotiated Marion's Face.

After lunch, Jim unsuccessfully attempted Leonard's Lunacy. Chris, Eric and Marion made an early departure and left Jim and Ray to work on the Chris-Wex-Don Traverse where they were shortly joined by the Kauffmans and Sterling.

After exhausting everyone but himself, Jim rounded out the day practicing rapelling, climbing loop ladders and was finally joined in completing the Beginners Climb by Pat.

----- Scheduled Trips

Nov. 11-12. Ray Moore is leading a cave-climbing trip -- possibly Schoolhouse or Suicide. Ray plans to leave his house at 8A E. Oak St., Alexandria Va. on Friday evening. Call Ray (OV 1437) for time and directions.

Nov. 19. Schaeffer Rocks, Penna. Excellent rocks with new climbs to explore and old ones to polish up. Call Art Lembeck (OL 8322) or P.A.T.C. headquarters (MI 0326) for directions to the Hermitage.

UPS AND DOWNS (Cont'd)

Jim Bullard
Paul Bradt
M. R. Zinober
Marian Jackson
Dick Goldman
Sally Goldman
Larry Stith
Jane Showacre

Walter Downes
Charlie Gallant
Hans Scheltema
Ray Moore
John Reed
Jill Reed
Chris Scoredos
Eric Scoredos

Tony Soler
Dolores Alley
B illy Alley
Betty Alley
Lorraine Snyder
Andy Kauffman
Betty Kauffman

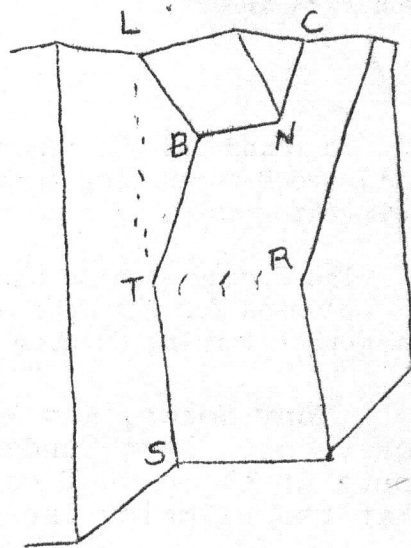
October 22, Great Falls

Two weeks earlier Chris and Jane had climbed the Bird's Nest Climb (B-11) shown in the block diagram as STBNC. Ray had come off but caught hold of something again on the back swing at R and from there climbed up to N and C.

This week Ray made the complete route STRNS, which looks like a Conn development to me. Another first was Chris' descent CNBTS and possibly also Lorraine's climb STL, though, I'm told, she was once in the rope. The official route was also climbed by Tony, Jim, Marion and Paul.

Romeo's Ladder (up the wall opposite Juliet's balcony) was climbed by Dolores, Jane and Walter. Paul, Jim, and Marian climbed Laurence's Last. Tony, with Ray second, led the climb that joins it from below by surmounting the overhang. This may be both a first and a last.

Andy and Betty, Johnny and Jill dusted off the Carderock holds and report that no one has stolen the Spider Walk.



Art Lembeck
Arnold Wexler
George Kamm
Peg Keister
Chris Scoredos
Eric Scoredos
Mary Sturgeon
Hans Scheltema

Ted Wang
Marilyn Wang
Johnny Reed
Bob Stevens
Charlie Gallant
Marian Jackson
Sam Browne
Dick Goldman

Sally Goldman
Theodor Benzinger
Rolf Benzinger
Bill Kemper
Carl Tross
Don Paine
Paul Bradt

UPS AND DOWNS (Cont'd)

October 29, Echo Cliff

After a turn of practice at catching falls, the crowd dispersed to try the slipperiness of the wet rocks. Chris testified as to the popularity of Leonard's Ladder up Cowhoof Rock but no one could demonstrate why. Paul crossed Socrates' Downfall (B-8) while Johnny came up from the bottom (A-7).

After lunch most of the gang went to the downstream end of the cliff where the big pot holes were exploited fully. The heavy hard-wear boys headed upstream in the hope of placing expansion bolts in the Big Toe. However, time was too short and even the Climb to the Woods (B-9) was too slippery, so Paul, Art and Arnold followed George up a route running into its upper reaches.

P. S. While Eric took his afternoon nap, Chris climbed Leonard's Ladder.

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To round out the reports one should mention that there was a little rock scrambling on Haystack during Arnold's Allegeny Front backpacking trip. The 26 who made the walk want to do it again.

The Sunday evening suppers continue with some of us grateful to the Goldmans for the October 22 evening and to Hans Scheltema and his mother for the October 29th evening.

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Tony Soler, Ray Moore and Loraine Snyder were on Seneca Rock last Sunday (Oct. 29) and climbed Jan & Herb's route up the east face of the south peak. They report that the climbing isn't so terrible but Oh the exposure!

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FLASH

As we go to press -- Baby Boy Clark arrived today. Congratulations to Gerry and Fitz.