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A Few Shadows of Things to Come

- March 9 - Arnold Wexler will show slides and give a talk on last summer's Wind River trip for the Mountain Club of Maryland. In Baltimore, at the Central Enoch Pratt Free Library, at 8:00 P.M. in case you haven't caught up with this act so far this year.
- March 10 - ALASKA! Johnny Reed shows the slides he collected on several summer trips. We've been waiting a long time for these. At Johnny's, 6637 Barnaby St., N.W., Wash., D.C. Phone: WOODLEY 4268.
- March 16 - "Land of the Standing Rocks". By Ray Garner. At the National Geographic. 8:15 P.M. Better start hunting up your tickets now.
- March 17.- Ray Garner's motion picture of climbing on the Grand Teton. Place still evasive. If you have a nice big living room and don't want to go out that evening, why not volunteer to have the gang in?
- March 18 - Sugarloaf Mtn. Hosts to Mtn. Club of Md. for some rock climbing teaching and practising. Leader: Art Lembeck.
- March 31 - Schoolhouse Cave. Plans are being made so hold this week-end open if you want to visit this famous hole in the ground for the first time or for the nth time. Leaders: Arnold Wexler and Ray Moore.
- April 1

NEPTUNE AND SOME LESSER GODS

by Arnold Wexler

Conclusion

Trudging up Mist Glacier, in the soft light of the early morning sun, even with full packs, was routine and uneventful. Beyond a vertical expanse of black rock that confined the glacier on the true right, we swerved sharply to the left to attain the neve connecting up with the main divide. Alec carved over forty bucket-steps in a patch of ice, then skillfully led through a network of crevasses and eventually brought the party to the col on the ridge north of Neptune. The ridge continued southward until it butted-up against the north face of the mountain: tier upon tier of ominous gray rock, bulging and overhanging in places, without a chimney, gully or break that could be misconstrued as a route. One other possibility presented itself. A sixty-degree snow slope at the left edge of the face rose two hundred feet to a narrow gap between two gendarmes. We had to get closer to