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SPRING SCHEDULE

- Feb. 22-24. West Virginia. Dick Goldman, leader. Central commissary, IF you let the Goldmans know you are coming not later than Feb. 19. Skiing, climbing or caving depending on weather and inclination. Directions: west on Route 50 about 165 m. to Red House, Md. Continue 5m. to Youghiougheny Forest. Park in cleared strip next to garage; proceed west on R. 50 about 100yds. across very small culvert. Turn right on faint trail through bushes about 100 ft. to cabin. Arrange for rides or passengers with Peg Keister (OL 2078 or OL 1400 or gov. code 179, ext. 2011). Remember, either call the Goldmans (OR 7178) by Feb. 19, or bring your own food.
- March - one weekend cave trip. Leader, John Meenchan, we hope. Exact date and destination up to Johnny.
- March - Sugarloaf, leader Johnnie Reed. Date depends upon above cave trip date.
- April 13 - Thurmont, Jane Showacre, leader.
- April 25-26 - Weekend at Old Rag; leader, Paul Bradt.
- May 3-4 - Seneca Rock, W. Va. Leader: Ray Moore.
- May 24 - Climbing with MCM at Carderock. Leader: Don Hubbard.
- May 30-June 1 - Memorial Day Weekend, open. Suggestions are in order.
- June 15 - Bull Run Mountain, Va. Leader: Peg Keister.

The above tentative schedule has been arranged so that those who don't like spur-of-the-moment trips can plan in advance for any trips that interest them. All dates, destinations and leaders are subject to change, so watch for further announcements. There will be local trips starting from the Hot Shoppe as usual, even on weekends when longer trips are scheduled, so don't stay home if the scheduled trip doesn't suit you.

NOTES

Gerry Morgan wants you all to know that Shirley Jackson's record player has been put back together, and it works, too.

Sorry, girls. Our most eligible bachelor, noting the approach of Leap Year, beat you to it. Yup, Charlie Gallant is married. All we know is that her name is Tony. -Charlie's aunt?

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UPS AND DOWNSJan. 27. Jones' Quarry Cave, near Falling Waters, W. Va.

Paul Bradt	Jerry Jankowitz	Lorraine Snyder	Arnold Wexler
Jim Bullard	Ray Moore	Tony Seler	Jonathan Wittenberg

Rain again influenced the plans of the group. Under the pressure exerted by those old spelunkers, Ray, Tony and Jerry, those listed above set out in search of a cave. Evidently they found a good one. It was not one of the most extensive or most difficult that the group had encountered, but was one of the prettiest "wild" caves they had seen. There was a maze of passages where one could not get lost, but where the formations were well worth the trip.

Seven others turned up at the Pot Shoppe, but scattered to various other activities. John Brohm came in to say hello to the gang. Betty and Andy Kauffman came to get their paper and to have a cup of coffee with the group. Don Hubbard breakfasted with us, then, as happens all too often lately, departed for the lab. Wallace Haynes Walker and Roger Foster of the Trail Club dropped in looking for recruits for a hike. Johnnie Reed, Peg Keister and Alice Marshall took themselves to PATC HQ to mimeograph, fold and staple UP ROPE. So it's an ill rain that doesn't bring forth some sort of fruit.

Feb. 3. Carderock

Dolores Alley	(Don Hubbard)	Peg Keister	Hans Scheltema
Bill Bell	Sioux Hughes	Gerry Morgan	Chris Scoredos
Susie Broome	Shirley Jackson	Jill Reed	Jane Showacre
B. B. Felton	Jerry Jankowitz	John Reed	Bob Stevens
Nancy Gray	Walt Kane	Frank Sauber	Jonathan Wittenberg
			Bill Wright

Rain again! With little prospect of good climbing anywhere, we went to our nearest area, Carderock. Newcomers were put through their knot and belaying instruction. Most of the climbing centered around the Beginners' Crack and Ronnie's Leap, both of which became tough climbs when veneered with mud. Johnnie, Peg, Sioux and Dolores spent some time on the ChrisWexDon, but climbed out before the last couple of pitches. It takes on a new aspect on a wet day. Susie, Frank and others worked on Jan's (Toarful) Face; Frank got up by some route or other, Susie practiced her falls. Lunch was eaten in the Buckets of Blood Chimney, well spiced with smoke from Johnnie's oak leaf fire at the entrance. By two, everybody had had enough of sogginess. Those still at loose ends went to Susie's house for a lazy afternoon and some home cooking.

Appended to this issue you will find a statement of the qualifications for voting at the business meetings of the Mountaineering Committee, and the current list of qualifying climbs. We suggest that you keep this list, as it may be some time before another such is published.

VOTING QUALIFICATIONS of the PATC Mountaineering Committee

The following recommendations of a special committee consisting of Jane Showacre, Andy Knuffman and Ray Moore, were incorporated in the by-laws of the Committee and went into effect in January, 1952.

"In order to vote at business meetings of the Mountaineering Committee, PATC ..., each member must meet both the following requirements:

"1) Each person who desires to cast a ballot must:

- a) Be a member of the Potomac Appalachian Trail Club; OR
- b) Must have been a member of the Mountaineering Committee (formerly and colloquially known as the Washington Rock Climbers) who met the climbing requirements for voting prior to June 1, 1950.

"2) In addition, each person who desires to cast a ballot must have participated, during the preceding twelve months, in the climbing activities of the Mountaineering Committee, as outlined in Paragraph a) below, or, alternatively and electively, in Paragraphs b, c, d, e, or f, and must be a dues-paying member in good standing:

a) Completion of two Class A, or one Class A and two Class B climbs.

OR b) Participation on ten trips and completion of ten climbs of a classified nature. Only three of these trips must be official Committee trips; the remaining seven need merely be reported to the editor of UP ROPE.

OR c) The ascent of a glacier-hung peak, requiring mountaineering techniques, and participation in three official trips of the Mountaineering Committee and completion of three classified climbs;

OR d) The ascent of a rock peak, requiring mountaineering techniques, which extends more than 2000 feet above timberline, and participation on three official trips of the Mountaineering Committee and completion of three classified climbs;

OR e) Participation in an expedition which requires back-packing into remote country for the purpose of mountaineering, and participation in three official trips of the Mountaineering Committee and completion of three classified climbs;

OR f) Exploration of a cave requiring mountaineering techniques, and participation in five official trips of the Mountaineering Committee and completion of five classified climbs.

QUALIFYING CLIMBS of the PATC Mountaineering Committee (as of January 24, 1952)

"A" Climbs

Bull Run Overhang	Fingertip Balance Climb, Herzog
Sterling's Corner, Bull Run	Face Traverse and Jan's Semi-Chimney,
Charlie's Crack, Bull Run	Herzog, as a lead
Butterfinger Climb, Sugarloaf	Arthur's Traverse, Carderock - <i>Lombek's Crossover</i>
Little Handhold That Isn't There,	Sterling's Crack, Carderock
Cleft Island	Spider Walk, Carderock
Donald's Ducks Traverse, Echo Cliffs,	Leonard's Lunacy, Carderock
as a lead	Horbie's Horror, Carderock
Socrates' Downfall, Echo Cliffs,	Angels' Roost Climb, Schoolhouse Cave
from the bottom	South Peak, Seneca Rock, by crack from
Bird's Nest Climb, Potomac Gorge, Va.,	Gunsight Notch
as a lead	
Coffin (Ph. D.), Cupid's Bower	
East Face, Camp Lewis	
Chairman's Chimney, Herzog	

QUALIFYING CLIMBS (Cont.)"B" Climbs

Little Quartz Slab, Bull Run
 Two Inches More, Bull Run
 Traverse SE Corner and ascent S face
 of Peak Gambs, Bull Run
 Chimney Climb, Stony Man
 Beginner's Climb, Old Rag
 Charlie's Lead, Md. Hgts., Harper's
 Ferry
 Cockscomb Overhang, Seneca Rock
 Socrates' Downfall, from top
 Climb to the Woods, Echo Cliffs
 Big Toe Traverse, Echo Cliffs
 Bird's Nest Climb, not as a lead
 Vertical Crack facing Juliet's Balcony,
 Potomac Gorge, Va. *Arduous lead*
 Chris' Crack and Stocking Climb, Great
 Falls, Va.
 Inside Corner, Flatiron Rock, Great
 Falls, Va. *Straddle Climb*
 Dancing Climb, Boucher Rock
 Face Traverse and Jan's Semi-Chimney,
 Herzog, not as a lead
 Jan's Face, Carderock, from bottom
 center
 Elsie's Edgeface, Carderock
 Wexler's Worst and Stretch, Carderock
 Friction Layback, Carderock
 ChrisWoxDon Traverse, Carderock, as lead
 Arnold's Arduous Ascent, Carderock
 Either of Sterling's Twin Cracks, Carderock

"C" Climbs

(Except when classified higher, climbs which are "A's" or "B's" for the leader are "C's" for others on the rope.)

Ronnie's Leap, Carderock
 Three Chimneys, Carderock
 Golden Stairs, Carderock
 Face on Cleft Island 25 ft. upstream
 from Little Handhold That Isn't There
 Face to right of Butterfinger and around
 corner from cave, Sugarloaf
 Zeus' Throne, Bull Run
 Long Chimney (Squeeze Box), Bull Run
 Vertical Crack facing south toward Zeus'
 Throne on Overhang massif
 Sam's Pinnacle, Loudon Cliffs
 Chockstone Climb, Loudon Cliffs
 The easy lead around corner from Hover-
 hang, Shaffer Rocks, Pa.
 Nubble face opposite Betty's Face, Chim-
 ney Rock, Thurmont
 Any ascent to South Peak of Seneca not
 otherwise described
 Ascent of Champ Rock ridge except by
 trail at back
 Face Climb at Flatiron Rock, Great Falls,
 Virginia