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COMING EVENTS

At their last meeting, an appeal to the rock climbers was made by Bill Stephenson of the Washington Grotto of the NSS. Bill would like to have a few rock climbers along on the expedition to Floyd Collins Cave (Ky.) towards the end of February. The word "expedition" is used advisedly - the cave is an immense thing, having an estimated 40 miles of passages, and is reached by a very long crawlway. The expedition is expected to spend a week in the cave (individuals not more than three days, however) and will have an elaborate communications setup. There will probably be considerable publicity attached to the trip.

There is no need for climbing in the known part of the cave, but there may be some in the unexplored sections.

Any climbers interested should contact Bill (OL 2-6560) or Burton Faust (WO 6-8785) not later than January 17.

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The last get-together of the rock climbers (at John Christian's apartment just before Christmas) came off on schedule, but practically no one showed up. Accordingly, the Kodachromes of his European trip, including some of the Tyrolean Alps, will be shown again at the next meeting. The meeting will be at Ray Moore's place on January 28th (Thursday) at 8:15. The address is 301 W. Myrtle St., Alexandria. To get there from Washington, take the 14th St. Bridge and follow U.S. 1 till you hit a railroad overpass. Turn right (onto Monroe St.) and follow this to its end. Turn left onto Russell Rd. and go six blocks. Take W. Myrtle to your right. Ray's is about 2/3 block down on the right.

The annual election of Mountaineering Committee officers will also be held at this meeting, so if you are entitled to vote, be sure to show up. The voting qualifications are given on the next page.