

ing Ome Daiber, Kurt Beam, Pete Schoening, Jim Borrow, and others, performed meritorious service in connection with several mountain rescues in the Cascade Range, resulting in the saving of a number of lives. Educational work by these men undoubtedly prevented other accidents from happening. The Mountain Rescue and Safety Council, under which this group operates, has been slowly acquiring badly needed equipment for rescue operations.

Represented by several A.A.C. members, the Section took an active part in the dedication of four new mountain shelter huts constructed through the generosity of the Mountain Cabin Memorial Association of which Ome Daiber is the founder.

The official, mythical ice-axe of the Section has been handed over to Will H. Borrow, Jr., who has been elected its chairman for 1953.

W. A. EASTMAN, JR.

*A.A.C.: Sierra Nevada Section.* The Sierra Nevada Section held three meetings during 1952 at the homes of members in San Francisco, Burlingame, and Berkeley. The May meeting in Burlingame was our second annual dinner meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Coveney. The average number of A.A.C. members attending each meeting was about 25 with an equal number of guests. Because of the loss of Chairman Oscar A. Cook during the 1952 expedition to Peru and the recent move of Vice-chairman Robin Hansen to the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Boston, Massachusetts, new officers were selected at the November meeting in Berkeley. Selected by the group were Will Siri, Chairman; Allen Steck, Vice-chairman; Richard C. Houston, Secretary-Treasurer. During the year Section members accomplished much in the mountaineering field with expeditions to Peru and Mt. McKinley. Much Yosemite climbing was also accomplished with several new ascents completed as described in the Sierra Club activities. Meetings for the future will be held in late February, May, September, and November.

R. C. HOUSTON

*Appalachian Mountain Club.* This year the Club organized a climbing and camping outing at the Gannett Peak Camp in Dinwoody Canyon. It attracted a group of 32 climbers of all grades of