

descended steep snow into Paintbrush Canyon, reaching Jenny Lake several hours later.

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*Northeast Face of Squaretop Mountain, Wind River Range.* On August 4 Bill Byrd, Roland Wyatt, and David Dingman left the Tetons for the Wind River Range on a one-week "guides' holiday." As we proceeded north along the Green River from the Green River Lakes Camp Ground on the Pinedale side of the range with no particular objective in mind, we grew more and more impressed by the northeast face of Squaretop Mountain (11,679 feet), which rises precipitously for 3000 feet above the valley floor. The next morning the 5 A.M. sun revealed a chimney in the more southerly half of the face which extends upwards through two-thirds of the wall. After climbing the wooded slopes to the base of the chimney, we started on the face at 9 o'clock, but it took us until nightfall to reach the top of the chimney. The climbing was mostly 5th class over wonderful rock with an occasional 6th class pitch. We spent a wonderful alpine evening on a small ledge at the top of the chimney. Without food or water, we climbed the remaining 600 feet the next morning by what seemed to be the easiest way. It still took us four hours of good 5th and 6th class climbing to reach the summit at 9 A.M. An easy walk-off descent was made on the northwest side of the mountain.

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*Block Tower and Warbonnet, Southern Wind River Range.* The Iowa Mountaineers 1958 summer-climbing base camp was held at Lonesome Lake August 11-22. Thirty-three members plus guests participated in the outing and climbed 17 major peaks, several unnamed. The Block Tower was climbed by a new route on the west face by Felix Hagerman, Warren Pagel, Ollie Swartling, and John Davidge. They ascended scree to the col between Overhanging Tower and Wolf's Head and traversed the west face of Overhanging Tower on easy ledges to the col between it and Shark's Nose. They then descended a steep rock and snow chute for 200 feet before moving right on easy ledges, which they followed downward, keeping right to avoid steep slabs, until they reached scree. After contouring left on scree and snow around the base of Shark's Nose to the first couloir leading southwest, they ascended the couloir, bearing left, until they were under the west face of Block Tower. The climb led straight up the left side of the face on ledges, chimneys, and cracks. Three overhangs were encountered; the first was climbed to the left, the second to the right, and the third, which was