

climbing, etc., and the white-water group was very active. The Club's camps had a good season; August Camp was held in the Kennebago-Sugar Loaf-Bigelow region north of Rangeley, in Maine.

Trail work was limited to trail clearing and reconditioning of shelters; no new construction was undertaken. The end of the year marked the retirement of Joe Dodge, manager of the Club's hut system, after thirty-six years in the huts, the last thirty of them as hut manager.

The Club's library continued to grow, and the Club headquarters were used for numerous meetings. Lectures were given on the Himalaya, England, the Alps, Hudson Bay and Mount Robson, Africa, the Caucasus, the Canadian Rockies and Selkirks, and various other subjects representing the breadth of the members' interests.

KENNETH A. HENDERSON, *Corresponding Secretary*

*Chicago Mountaineering Club.* The Club's official outings were limited to local practice climbs at nearby areas. Two week-end winter trips were held at Starved Rock State Park, near Ottawa, Illinois, where conditions were ideal for the formation of solid, frozen waterfalls. One of the best ice climbs there is in French Canyon, where an ice wall about 50 feet high is formed in a series of steps. The Club also held practice rock-climbs at Mississippi Palisades State Park near Savanna, Illinois, and at Devils Lake State Park near Baraboo, Wisconsin. Bill Primack is compiling a guide to the practice climbs in these two areas.

A group of our members joined the Iowa Mountaineers' outing in the southern Wind Rivers near Lander, Wyoming, with a base camp at Lonesome Lake. Felix Hagerman led Warren Pagel, John Davidge, and Olle Swartling on a second ascent of Block Tower from the west side. Other noteworthy climbs were made on Shark's Nose, Pingora, Warbonnet, Wolf's Head, and Lizard Head. Other members climbed in the Tetons; three attended the Sierra Club's trip to the Cordillera Blanca of Peru; and several were with the Iowa Mountaineers in Europe.

GROVER HARTSUCH, *Outing Chairman*

*Colorado Mountain Club.* One hundred and eleven hiking and climbing trips were participated in by over 2000 persons from the Denver Group during the spring, summer, and fall months. One of these trips in August was a joint one with the Forest Service. Some 40 persons gathered at the foot of the newly named Mount Kreutzer (13,120 ft.), on the Continental Divide in the Sawatch Range, to honor the memory of the first forest ranger in the United States, William Kreutzer, appointed 60 years ago, August 1898.

His biography, *Saga of a Forest Ranger* by Len Shoemaker (University of Colorado Press, Boulder, 1958), was read at the campfire, and the peak was officially christened next day by 20 climbers.

The Club carried out its annual tree-planting activities with the Forest Service: 125 members spent a Sunday in June planting 2200 conifers in a burned area of the Arapahoe National Forest, and another group of 40 planted 1200 willow-cuttings in the Pike National Forest. In addition to ski trips in the winter months, many members are penetrating the snow-clad mountains on snowshoes. An activity that is gaining in Club interest is river boating. The Green, the Yampa, the Colorado, and the Middle Fork of the Salmon River in Idaho were run, and accounts of these with films and slides provided interesting programs. The fine illustrated lecture by Hans Gmoser from Canada, arranged by Harold Walton, chairman of the Boulder Group lecture committee, was well attended, and the Club's share of the net proceeds was given to the Rocky Mountain Rescue Group to further its fine work. The climax of the year's programs was the showing of Dr. Alfred M. Bailey's new film, "Sub-Antarctic Isle," at the annual dinner. Dr. Bailey, long time member of the Club, is Director of the Denver Museum of Natural History, and this film was made on Campbell Island, 400 miles south of New Zealand, scene of the Museum's 1958 expedition to collect Elephant Seals, Royal Albatross, and several varieties of Penguins for exhibits to be mounted at the Museum.

Technical Climbing Schools continue to be one of the more popular activities in three of the Club groups. In Denver the number has increased over the years, with 118 people registered this year—33 for intermediate, and 85 for the beginner classes—and a large group of enthusiastic instructors, so that on each of the five field-trips a ratio of one instructor to about six students was maintained. The Technical Committee, with William E. Davis as chairman, has made every effort to improve the School toward making it a true mountaineering experience. Through special arrangements with the Commandant of Cadets' Office, U. S. Air Force Academy, 19 cadets and 2 officers attended the school. These eager climbers have joined the Club and are the nucleus of the Mountaineering Club of the Academy. The Pikes Peak Group held a technical climbing school on three consecutive Saturday afternoons in April under the direction of Robert M. Ormes. Thirty climbers attended, including some Colorado College students, junior high school students; C.M.C. members helped with the instruction. Advance publicity was handled by Bruce Sommers. Two of the sessions were held in the former military rock-climbing area in North Cheyenne Canyon and one in the Garden of the Gods. The usual rope techniques were

covered, and some of the students ended their lessons with a flurry of tension climbing.

Two annual outings were held. The one-week outing, Allen Auten and Richard Bostwick chairmen, was held 11 miles from Aspen near the ghost town of Ashcroft. Hikes were made to Cathedral and American lakes, Pearl Pass, and Conundrum Creek. Taylor, Star, Castle, and South Maroon peaks were climbed. The two-weeks outing, led by William E. Davis and Elwyn Arps, was the Club's second trip to Glacier National Park. A base camp was assigned by the Park Service at St. Mary's Lake. Those interested in climbs in the park are referred to the article, "Climbing in Glacier National Park," by William E. Davis, in *Trail and Timberline*, November 1958.

ANNE B. KENNON, *Executive Secretary*

*Dartmouth Mountaineering Club.* Outstanding among the numerous 1958 mountaineering accomplishments were an ascent of Mount McKinley and a 100-mile ski traverse of the Purcell and Selkirk ranges in British Columbia. Jake Breitenbach and Dave Dingman co-led the McKinley expedition, which culminated in the first ascent of both the North and South peaks in the same day. In the first ski traverse of the Selkirk-Purcell ranges, Bill Briggs, Bob French, Barry Corbet, and Sterling Neale started from the Bugaboos on June 1 and arrived at Glacier, B.C., on June 11. There were other noteworthy summer activities: Sterling Neale made a short trip into the Cariboo range of British Columbia; Stu Kaufman climbed in Norway; Carlos Plummer and Gerry Cabaniss spent the summer doing research for IGY on Ice Island T-3 in the Arctic Ocean; while Pete Farquhar and Barry Prather worked on the Juneau Ice Field in Alaska, where they made one first ascent; Tom Marshall climbed in the Wind Rivers. A number of members climbed in the Tetons, where Barry Corbet, Pete Sinclair, Gary Hemming, and Bill Buckingham made the first ascent of the South Face of Symmetry Spire, and Bill Briggs and Richard Sykes put the direct finish on the South Buttress of Mount Moran. Other members visited the Alps, the Cascades, Yosemite, and Castle Rock.

While rock climbing took the fore at home, ski mountaineering gained in popularity and, along with ice and expeditionary mountaineering practice, occupied the winter months. Other D.M.C. activities included rock-climbing classes for the physical education department, building a higher dynamic belay tower, leader-training courses, numerous lectures, publishing our annual *Journal*, and occasional building climbs on local architecture.

Notable among the Eastern climbs has been the opening of Bird Moun-