

*Colorado Mountain Club.* Seventy-six people attended the annual two-week outing, July 17-30, in the Needle Mountains of southwestern Colorado. Fourteen peaks were climbed including Eolus, Windom, and Sunlight, the area's three 14,000-foot summits; and also the 13,000-foot peaks of Pigeon, Turret, Jagged, Animas, Monitor, and Heisspitz. A variety of other shorter trips rounded out an active year, during which 30 of the state's 14,000-foot peaks were ascended on scheduled climbs.

Included among a number of social events and lectures were three fine illustrated programs; by Dick Irvin on the 1956 British-American Karakoram Expedition's attempt to climb Rakaposhi; by William Buckingham on last year's first ascent of the western rim of Mount McKinley's south face; and by Hans Gmoser, who presented his colored film, "Vagabonds of the Mountains."

The Denver Group of the club has revised its classification of climbs, and the revision appeared in the September 1960 issue of *Trail and Timberline*. The same issue carried an account of the spectacular ascent of the Diamond on the east face of Longs Peak.

The climbing schools were active in the spring with 134 people enrolled from the Denver Group and 50 others from the Boulder and Pikes Peak Groups. In November the Boulder Group held its second annual avalanche school with over 90 mountaineers attending. A detailed article on avalanches and the results of the 1959 avalanche school appeared in the February, 1960 issue of *Trail and Timberline*. Reprints were used as texts for the 1960 CMC climbing school and the avalanche course, which Fred C. Tuttle of the National Ski Patrol's Central Division conducted.

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*Dartmouth Mountaineering Club.* It seems to be the opinion of many Eastern climbers, and almost the general consensus among those in the West, that the only creditable climbing in the East exists either in the 'Gunks or at Seneca Rock. For those who share in this feeling, we should like them to join one of our week-end climbs either during the spring or fall. Often overlooked are such well-established climbing areas as Smuggler's Notch, Whitehorse and Cathedral Ledges, Huntington Ravine, and Franconia and Crawford Notches. There are also many smaller cliffs and faces throughout the White Mountains; the rock is solid as well as difficult, and the climbs vary from one to as many as 10 leads. Several of these areas which the DMC visits regularly are Rattlesnake Mountain, Orford, Eagle Ledges, and Owl's Head near Warren, New Hampshire. The latter climb presents a broad, open face some 800 feet high in places and about a

quarter of a mile long. The climbing varies from a 35° friction pitch some 120 feet long to nearly vertical jam-cracks, long laybacks, slab climbing, tension work, and an endless variety of routes and variations. Several of the routes are standard and well marked, while several of us are at work on a bolt-and-tension route of some seven or eight leads that may challenge any in the East.

Such classic areas as Poke-O-Moonshine, Mount King, and the Condor Pinnacle in the Laurentians of Canada provide some of the most challenging climbing in the country. We have also uncovered there a series of ledges several hundred feet high and nearly a mile long that very closely resemble the rock formation of both Seneca and the 'Gunks. Though only barely investigated, these cliffs could prove as promising as the 'Gunks have been.

The usual large contingent of Dartmouth climbers spent at least part of the summer in the Tetons. Former members Corbet, Breitenbach, French, and Neale served as Exum guides, and Pete Sinclair was one of the climbing rangers. Our members also climbed in the Colorado Rockies, the Mount Hood area, British Columbia, and the Lake Louise area. Tom Marshall was our sole representative in Europe, where he climbed in the Swiss and Austrian Alps.

The next edition of the DMC journal will be published for the years 1961-1962. In order to maintain the journal's quality, we feel it is necessary to limit its publication to every other year. In the intervening years we plan to send out a newsletter to inform members, friends, alumni, and other climbing clubs of our activities and plans.

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*Harvard Mountaineering Club.* Last summer being an interim season between the biennial climbing camps of the Harvard Mountaineering Club, climbing by members was carried out independently. Nevertheless, activity was by no means diminished. In Europe, several members made the most of what good weather they could find: Bob Page and Steve Jervis, Dennis Dunn, Hank Abrons, Leif Patterson, and Earle Whipple climbed in the Alps. Christopher Goetze toured the northern Wind Rivers, where he made seven first ascents, gained one "first" in the Needles of the San Juan Range in Colorado, and climbed in the Teton and Sangre de Cristo Ranges. In August, Mike Wortis, Bob Conrod, Gino Segré, and Lenny Clarke ascended the east face of Longs Peak. Further west, George and Richard Millikan climbed in the Wallowa Mountains of eastern Oregon. In the Sierras, Gordon Benner led a Sierra Club High Trip into Yosemite.