

# Club Activities

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*A.A.C., Cascade Section.* Members of the Cascade Section engaged in a number of most interesting and even some outstanding pursuits during 1964. Included in these activities were the first ascent of a north ridge of Mount Logan in Yukon Territory (the feature of our September meeting); ascents of previously unclimbed peaks adjacent to the Stikine Icecap along the Alaska-British Columbia border; a climb of 22,205-foot Huascarán in Peru's Cordillera Blanca; an expedition to Nunavak Island in the Arctic to capture musk ox calves for a breeding herd at the University of Alaska; and an ascent of Mount Ararat in Turkey with an archaeological expedition searching for traces of Noah's Ark. One of our members is currently spending the winter on a floating ice station in the Arctic Ocean taking weather data for a University of Washington project. Also, two members are with a group which is attempting a new route on Mount Aconcagua, the highest peak in the Andes.

The Alpine Trails Committee has been working very actively with the U. S. Forest Service on long-range plans for trails and shelters serving the North Cascades. Some of the proposed new trails will offer access to high alpine areas which at present are visited very seldom because of the difficult approaches. Long overdue maintenance of existing trails is included in these plans.

At the Section's annual banquet in November, Fritz Stammberger lectured on the Austrian expedition which ascended Cho Oyu in 1964. Another meeting earlier in the year included an illustrated program, "The Glaciation of the North Central Brooks Range, Arctic Alaska."

Committees of the American Alpine Club and other organizations, working with the National Park Service, have formulated a program to permit summit climbing of Mount Rainier in winter by qualified parties.

DAVID A. COLLINS, *Chairman*

*A.A.C., Oregon Section.* The Oregon Section has begun tests on the various types of ice screws and ice pitons currently available on the open market. We hope to continue these tests extensively in 1965 and to have substantial data available in the fall. Our current plan is to make these tests a continuing activity from year to year.

Jack Baldwin and the Alpees Mountaineering Club have prepared a fine report on their cable rescue system. This is a portable system that has been in operation for a long time and one that has been used on many