

vertical west face to the Eel Glacier far below. We returned to camp and the same day had a fantastic 5-hour 12-mile ski run back to the road. It is believed that both Snow White and the subsidiary peak to the northwest are first ascents.

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*Canwell Glacier, Alaska Range.* During the late spring and through the summer of 1968 members of the Alaska Alpine Club assisted by many others carried in and built the second of a series of huts planned in the Delta Mountains of the eastern Alaska Range. The hut is of a modified A-frame construction and is twelve-feet-square. It is situated on a moraine overlooking the Canwell Glacier, about eight miles from the terminus at the Richardson Highway. The first hut in the series is the Thayer Hut eight miles up the Castner Glacier in the same general area. Of similar construction, it was built in 1962-63. Both huts are open to the public at 50c a night. Information may be obtained from the Alaska Alpine Club at Box 5-960, College, Alaska 99701.

*Mount Kimball, Alaska Range.* In August a party of ten from the Alaska Alpine Club hiked in sometimes drizzly, usually foggy weather from the terminus of the Canwell Glacier at the Richardson Highway, across the upper Gakona Glacier and down an unnamed glacier to Slate Creek to a mining camp some 35 miles from the road. At Slate Creek the party was completed with its eleventh member who was flown in with supplies from Summit Lake. On August 25 we established a base camp at 6400 feet on the Chistochina Glacier seemingly directly beneath the precipitous slopes of 10,300-foot Mount Kimball's southwest ridge. From here a two-pronged attack on the mountain was launched. John and Kathleen Davies, Jim Miller and Jerry Kreitner set out the following day to attempt the southwest ridge of the mountain. They managed to reach about 7800 feet but finally the very loose nature of the underlying steeply pitched rock and the sight of a couple of ugly gendarmes further up the ridge forced them to return to Base Camp that evening. Meanwhile Guy Tarnstrom, Dan Osborne, Jim Pray, Ed Wilkins and I set out for the north side of the mountain. (Patricia Thompson and Dona Miller remained at Base Camp.) Climbing a steep couloir, we soon reached the pass to the Pitfall Glacier; a long very steep traverse around to the right brought us to the upper basin. We placed our camp at 8900 feet just under the bergschrund below the north ridge. While camp was being pitched, a preliminary scouting party put in a couple of hundred yards of trail up the less steep part of the heavily corniced