

Simpson traveled to the Mountains of the Moon in East Africa. Frances Mullen drove a specially outfitted camper from Le Havre, France, to Katmandu, Nepal, with many stops for climbing and hiking en route, with the last part of the trip including a trek to Thyangboche near the foot of Mount Everest. The club's 1969 outing will be held in the Grenadier Range in Colorado.

GEORGE POKORNY, *President*

*Colorado College Mountain Club.* The club continues its usual activities of climbing and hiking. Last spring we held our annual snow and ice schools and we climaxed the snow season by building a huge snow sculpture at Mountaineer's Weekend near Laramie, Wyoming. During the summer members continued climbing in Colorado, Wyoming, the Southwest and New England. Gary Ziegler climbed in Peru. The club again had a large registration this fall, and our rock schools, held in local climbing areas, were quite successful. The hard-hat rule, which we passed last year, proved its worth during these schools. Some of our major trips included Mount Elbert, Longs Peak, and Pikes Peak. Chuck Behrensmeyer has opened up a new rock climbing area near Pikes Peak called Sanctum. Our climbing guide, *The Great Book*, continues to grow. And we can report that the Gore Range Wilderness was saved from the bulldozers. Its preservation was one of the club's major projects this past year. We are also working to limit motor vehicle use of Forest Service trails. The club also continued its war against Sierra Blanca. In March, Tad Bacigalupe, Chuck Behrensmeyer, and Jim White packed into the North Face of Blanca and made an unsuccessful assault of the east ridge. This fall, they scouted various routes on Blanca and in January 1969, joined by Larry Roffe, the group will attempt a direct assault on the North Face.

JAMES MCCHRISTAL

*The Colorado Mountain Club. Mountaineering:* Our schools, particularly the spring schools of Basic and Intermediate Mountaineering continue to attract sizable classes—150 for the Basic and 40 for the Intermediate. We have had no serious accidents on club-sponsored trips thus far in 1968. One of our active climbers, John Amessee, was killed on a technical climb with friends in the Flatirons near Boulder this past summer. The number of our members who have completed their "14's" continues to mount. The group centered in Colorado Springs has scheduled a number of 14's as

winter climbs to make this completion more challenging. *Outings:* The outing abroad, to New Zealand in January, was a successful combination of serious climbing and touring. The out-of-state outing, to the Cascades in Washington was heavily attended and well thought of by the participants as was the two-week in-state outing in the Crystal area (near Glenwood Springs). Shorter outings took members to the Aspen area for ski touring and snowshoeing in March, to the Canyonlands of Utah over Memorial Day weekend, to the Indian ruins at Mesa Verde in September. In order to pick up some 14's over a three-day weekend, a group of almost 40 flew to Durango, took the narrow-gauge railroad to Needleton, then backpacked in to the climbing area to climb Sunlight, Windom and Eolus. This was accomplished over the 4th of July holiday. *Conservation:* The outstanding conservational triumph in the state for 1968 was the club influence in helping defeat the building of a major through road in the Gore Wilderness area. This was taken up by Senator Peter Dominich, who did his bit. The fifth Open Space Conference, held on September 28 and 29 at Estes Park had as its theme the preservation of the Front Range.

SALLY RICHARDS, *Executive Secretary*

*Dartmouth Mountaineering Club.* Predictably, efforts during the school year concentrated on local objectives. Numerous trips were organized to the Shawangunks, Cannon Mountain, Cathedral, and the nearby cliffs in Orford and Norwich utilized by our climbing class. This class, which introduces about 40 freshman to the fundamentals of mountaineering in the spring and fall, carries credit for physical education. It does not, however, have an instruction program available to the public, as the *Mountaineering Handbook* by Casewit and Pownall erroneously implies. Winter ice climbing is usually limited to Huntington Ravine and Willey Slide, but we have recently been exploring the numerous possibilities in Smuggler's Notch, Vermont. A substantial amount of non-technical winter climbing in the White Mountains is also done, providing good training for summer expeditions. The summer was another big one for the DMC. Members took part in expeditions which made first ascents of the north ridge of Mount Kennedy and various peaks near Haines, Alaska, and climbed to 20,000 feet on the northeast ridge of Chopicalqui in the Cordillera Blanca of Peru. We also climbed in the Tetons, Rockies, and Yosemite, but nearly drowned in Canada. Our next club *Journal* will be available in the spring of 1969.

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