

Club Activities

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A.A.C., Cascade Section. Section membership in the States stands at about 160, while another 15 live nearby across the Canadian border. Section meetings, all held at the Mountaineers' club house, included lectures by Jim Janney describing his climbing and trekking in the Cordillera Real of Bolivia and by Gary Ullin of his traverse of Mount McKinley's Pioneer Ridge. In addition, the University of Washington Climbing Club co-sponsored climbing shows which included Yvon Chouinard's film, *Fitz Roy: First Ascent of the Southwest Buttress*, and Tom Frost's unforgettable account of the ascent of Annapurna's South Face. Owing to the success of these programs, which were attended by audiences of over 400, more such "joint ventures" are planned for 1972.

The north side of Mount Rainier saw an increasing number of ascents, including the fourth ascent of the Willis Wall by Jim Wickwire and Ed Boulten and a descent of Ptarmigan Ridge by Niels Andersen and party. A world-record snowfall the previous winter discouraged access to the Cascades until late summer and minimized climbing in the interior ranges.

Chuck Crenshaw was elected chairman, and Alex Bertulis volunteered to remain as treasurer for the coming year.

ALEX BERTULIS, *Chairman*

A.A.C., Oregon Section. The section held three regular meetings in 1971 at which we were entertained by Bob Lee's account of a Mexican-American expedition to the Río Mezquital; George Cummings, Nick Dodge, and Jim Petroske's explorations in the Coast Range of British Columbia; and by Mary-Lou Combs' account of backpacking in Nepal. In June we enjoyed a visit by Tenzing Norgay, who was here for much of the summer with Lute Jerstad. The section was active during the year in planning and hosting the Club's annual meeting and dinner on December 4. Special thanks for that effort are due Jim Angell, Ray Conkling, Carmie Dafoe, John Neal, Nick Nicolai, and Bob Peirce.

GEORGE CUMMINGS, *Chairman*

A.A.C., Rocky Mountain Section. During the year the section did not sponsor any activities other than our (usually) annual dinner. This year's took place at Writers Manor, Denver, on October 20, with an illustrated talk on a recent expedition to the Cordillera Blanca in Peru. This was a joint meeting with the local chapter of the Explorers Club. President Hart gave a brief report on our Club's activities.