

and too fast and hence became a solo climber, eventually to be stranded high on a mountain by nightfall. It would seem that this situation resulted from over-enthusiasm, lack of experience and indoctrination as to the seriousness of the error involved, and, more importantly, from lack of foresight.

*Oregon: Mt. McLaughlin (9940 ft.).* On 30 July 1949 Ed Freuer, a Henley high school graduate of a few weeks before, slipped and plunged over a cliff. The state of his injuries has not been subsequently reported. His companion, Glen Hillyard, came down for assistance while Freuer was left on the mountain.

*Source of information:* newspaper accounts.

*Analysis.* This accident is reported here for the record. Because details are lacking, no attempt at an interpretation is made.

*Montana: Glacier National Park.* During the summer of 1949, Tom Moulds, a 23-year old University of Washington student from Santa Barbara, California, fell into a canyon from the snow-covered sides of 9,147-foot Reynolds Mountain while he was hiking from Logan to Gunsight Pass. Mould's companion, Wallace Smith (26), a classmate from Portland, Oregon, helped him into his sleeping bag and then stayed with him overnight before going for help. Rangers, roadmen and fireguards made up a nine-man rescue party. The hiker broke a foot and suffered bruises in the fall.

*Source of information:* newspaper accounts.

*Analysis.* This appears to be an accident which occurred to a hiker in rough country; and, although the scant details furnish no basis for critical analysis, they seem to indicate that alertness and care must be exercised not only by the high climber, but by the traveller on lower mountain slopes as well.

*Alaska Coast Range.* On 16 June 1949 Fred Ayres, a member of a party of climbers organized by Fred Beckey, of Seattle, slipped and broke his ankle on a steep, glacier-scoured rock slope about 1100 feet above the waters of Twin Glacier Lake in the Taku River district. Two men remained with him while the remaining two members of the party cut their way across the heavily crevassed West Twin Glacier and hiked to the Taku