

where Pfeifer began to coil the new perlon rope. Because it was new and kinky he did not pay attention to Fenwick who began to cross a small snow chute on the way to a better belay ledge. Pfeifer asked him if he wanted a belay. He said it was not necessary. Fenwick slipped on the snow, and fell unbeknown to Pfeifer, and by the time Pfeifer realized what had happened, he was pulled off. They slid about 500 feet down the crusty snow, unable to arrest themselves, and crashed into the talus. Both suffered lacerations and bruises; they bandaged themselves and walked out.

*Source:* Ralph H. Tingey, Park Ranger.

*Analysis:* Better knowledge of travel on snow and ice would have forewarned them of the dangers involved in crossing steep, hard snowfields.

*Wyoming, Grand Teton National Park.* On 10 August Greenblatt (19) and Robert Green (19) were practicing glissading in the couloir above Amphitheater Lake. According to Green, Greenblatt lost control. He slid a short distance into the rocks and sprained his ankle.

*Source:* Pete Sinclair, Park Ranger.

*Analysis:* Lack of knowledge and experience in glissading.

*Wyoming, Grand Teton National Park, Symmetry Spire.* On 8 August Sheldon Smith (18) and James Erickson (18) were climbing on Symmetry Spire. According to Smith, he slipped on the snow patch in Symmetry Couloir about 20 feet above the bottom. He was using a stick to glissade with, but sat on his seat when he slipped instead of digging in his toes and hands or elbows and therefore, went into the rocks. Party made its own way out. Smith was slightly bruised.

*Source:* Dunbar G. Susong, Park Ranger.

*Analysis:* Lack of knowledge and experience in glissading.

*Wyoming, Grand Teton National Park.* On 18 August Larry Starke (25) and four companions were climbing in the Park. According to Starke, a member of the party above him dislodged several rocks, one of which hit Starke in the back. The rock was about one foot in diameter and had fallen about 30 feet. Party made their own way out. Starke suffered minor bruises.

*Source:* Robert W. Irvine, Park Ranger.

*Analysis:* Loose rock in this area always gives climbing parties some trouble and, therefore, they have to take extra precautions when climbing here. The fact that there is considerable evidence of falling and loose rock on this route indicates climbing parties should be alert to the movements of other party members, as well as each climber being extra careful about his own movements.

*Wyoming, Grand Teton National Park, Grand Teton.* On 21 August Gaylord Campbell (26) and Lorraine Hough (21) were climbing on the North Face of the Grand. According to Campbell, he was leading a pitch about 20 feet above his belayer when some large falling rocks struck him,