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The Treasurer of MCA is grateful for the people who paid dues thinking that they received no Scree in October because of delinquency. The Club would like to encourage all members to pay now for the current year. Because of the death of the Editor's father, there was no October Scree.

MESTING, MONDAY, DECEMBER 4

The Mountaineering Club will meet - at last (there was no Movember meeting because there was no program and too many members were out of town) - on December 4 at the Willow Park Recreation Hall at 8 p.m. The program will be slides from the very successful Glacier School held on August 25, 26 and 27.

Since this is the holiday season all girls or women (take your pick according to description) are asked to bring a favorite desert - enough for 6 people. There will be coffee as usual.

Regarding old business there will be election of officers. The following have indicated that they will be willing to serve as President if elected: Bob Goodwin, Gene Horning and Howard Schuck. Nominations from the floor are encouraged.

FROM HERE AND THERE:

Seen around town with the badge of the novice who tried or the experienced skier who has had it were: Helga Bading complete with befurred arm cast and Elmer Feltz nobly wielding the crutches with one foot encased in plaster of paris.

Our burned out Secretary-Treasurer is living at 600 Medfra, Apt. 1 - Tel. BR 2 -1774. For those in distant places, Lois Willard's apartment house caught fire and burned September or was it October? However, assisted by a number of Mountaineers, she was able to rescue all her personal belongings and thanks to the kind offer of Ruth Schmidt found a roof over her head.

ASCENT OF "THE PREGNANT WOMAN"

August 1961

by Bob Goodwin

While conducting some glacier studies for the National Science Foundation, a Utah climber and myself made the ascent of a peak between Bartlett and Trail Glaciers, that is known locally as "The Pregnant Woman". Our purpose in climbing this summit was to establish a survey and photo station. The route reads like a course in anatomy but was really quite un-academic in essence. After leaving the ARR we traveled over a series of recessional and lateral moraines (no brush or alder), thence via snow patches and grassy slopes up to the vicinity of what in profile forms the knees. From the knees one follows gently sloping snowfields to the abdomen and then the real climb begins via snow and glacier ice to the right breast which forms one of the twin summits of this mountain. The last 500 feet were done with crampons but these were discarded on the trip down which was rapidly accomplished with belayed glissades. We required four hours to make the round trip including surveying and photography. Beautiful country - - - snowfields, streams, Prince William Sound, mtn. goats, ideal snowfields offering summer skiing possibilities.

ASCENT OF PK. NORTH OF SUICIDE PK. - INDIAN CREEK July 1961 by Bob Goodwin

Keith Hart, Ed Gendzwell, Rill Carlson, and I started our climb by following the powerline road that runs from Indian to Campbell Creek. This makes the peaks in this area easily accessible and our climb was completed in one afternoon. The best of the pass we turned towards the rock ridge on our left. This proved to be a relatively easy route via excellent rock (no aid was used). A few interesting gendarmes were negotiated and then the summit came out of the clouds we arrived. The top affords a splendid view of surrounding peaks, a couple of tarn lakes and Turnagain Arm. Immediately west of the peak a couloir provides quick and easy descent via glissades to the lake below and then it is an easy tike back to the road. Though our ascent proved easy there exist some very interesting vertical walls on the north side of the peak which I reel have great limbing possibilities involving high-angle problems. This area also abounds in the pine flowers in July and August.