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At one of the earliest meetings of the Mountaineering olub t..e proceedings were enlivened by the presence of an ongaging outcioorsiah, bomplete with German accent. His humor was hardy and gooci-natured and his entiousiasm spoke of an appreciation and knowledge of the local forrain born from experience. His attitude, then and alwoys, was that the wilderness was for all; the problem was to make it available safely.

The first mountain I climbed in Alaska, I was guided up by Joe. so were several others. It was a long olimb accompanied by a steady, Inexhaustible, amusing dialogue on a wide range of subjeots. Distracted from the receding peak and encouraged by the patience of the leader, the ontire group made the sumait. But then, all of Joe's group usually did get there and back.

My most harrowing and ezolting experience was shared with Joe piohler too. A group of mountaineers started out to snowshoe in a January weokend the Old Mail Trail from Eagle River to Girdwood, Wiat we antiofpated being an easy hike beoame a strugg1e over difficult terrain and liengthened into a four day trudge back to civilization. Through the understandable doubts and apprehensions of most of us, I recall Joe's oonfidence that steady would do it and we'd all get back. And we did!

In a world which has become complex, it was refreshing to know one individual who was simply and effectively himself. At a time when adjectives are over-used, it is more fitting to apply a simple one in its purest meaning, - good. For Joe Pichler was a good husbancl, father, friend, carpenter and zountaineer.

If it is with immeasurable sorrow tiat we record the death of Joseph Pichler on November 8, 1964, it is with joyful gratitude that have known him.

Gwyn Wilson

YVENBER MBETING - we ${ }^{1}$ re back at Willow Parii on 9 th and Fairbanks. leeting will start at 8 p.m. For a program we will seo the excellent polor movie 'Ice Climbing on Mt. Rainier'. Monday, Nov. 16 - Willow Park.
four new Board of Directors:

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bout fifteen AMU students and 8 MCA members collected at the bottom
the road to Clari's (below Flattop) with the olimbing of $0^{1} \mathrm{Malley}$ tak in mind. The road was not driveable and we found tiis would take omuch time .. so after hiking up the road and over to the powerline iome oarried impressive packs) we split into two groupe, Six ticA'ers aty One group, the AisU students and 2 NiCA ${ }^{\prime}$ ers in tiae other, The AMU imbers went above the saddle where Dave DeVoe and Rod Wilson and other
pound on a climb of 0 thalley peak 2 years ago. The licA decided to zo
ound back of $0^{\prime}$ Mialley and cilimb it, time perilittings As it was, we
inter only a point below the first proainent outoropping in the
toun ridge. I went to its top out of curiosity. On the way down
round patches of wind packed snow and ended up belly-sliding down
about 500 ft . The weather was perfect and everyone had a grand tiae.


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