Jim Jenkins reports the following items for sale:

One Kelty poncho, in good condition (if you don't mind wrinkles) for $6.50.

One Minolta 16 mm camera in good condition. Shutter speeds from 1/30 to 1/500 seconds. Has a fast f2.8, 22 mm Rokkor lens. Push-pull shutter-cocking action with automatic film advance and exposure counter. Synchronized for bulb or electronic flash. Extremely bright, direct viewfinder; vibrationless shutter release. Weight: 5.3 oz. Size: 3-1/8" x 15/16" x 1-5/8". Including case, close-up and distance lenses, and instruction booklet, $18. Original sale price -- $38.00.

Contact Jim at 10846 Nestle Avenue, Northridge, Calif. 91324; phone (213) 363-2396.

Let's take a moment to remember that this May marks the 10th anniversary of the deaths of Birl Parkinson and Francis Foley. Both SPSers were killed in a climb of Boundary and Montgomery.

Alice Lewis and Bob Smitheman interrupted a backpack into Joshua Tree National Monument to get married on February 22. Their new address is: 9661 W. 8th Street, Cucamonga, Calif. 91730. Congratulations to the newlyweds!

We are pleased to welcome six new members to our section. They are:

Roy V. Keenan
4317 Paseo de las Tortugas
Torrance, Calif. 90505

Fran Smith
1717 West Alameda
Burbank, Calif. 91506

George Toby
9337 Rubio Avenue
Sepulveda, Calif. 91343

Dana J. Smith
220 Lake Road, Apt. 101
Belmont, Calif. 94002

Bernie and Lu Petitjean
1560 West 179th Place
Gardena, Calif. 90247

And we have two new emblem holders as well. Congratulations to:

Lewis Hill
Box 441
North Hollywood, Calif. 91603

Robert J. Boyles
23217 Evalen
Torrance, Calif. 90505

COVER: Our thanks once again to Tom Ross for this photo, taken March 30, 1969. Included are Kearsarge Pinnacles, foreground; East Vidette, right center, and the Kings-Kern Divide.

The picture was taken from the summit of Mt. Gould.
CHAIRMAN'S CORNER

The climbing season in the Sierra will soon be upon us again. This promises to be a busy and active year for us, as more and more people take up climbing and camping in the mountains, many of them with the SPS. This movement is also encouraged by the mountains becoming more accessible each year as freeways reach out ever further from the cities. Because of this increase in use of mountain areas, we must continue to constantly observe good conservation practices ourselves and encourage others to do likewise.

As of this writing the results of the Sierra Club election are still unknown, but from all indications the vote will be close between the conflicting factions. Let's hope that after the ballots are counted the two sides will unite and chart a clear-cut course for the Club instead of heading in diverse directions as in the recent past. The goals of the Sierra Club are too important for us to be wasting our energy on internal conflicts.

-- Bill Hunt --

SECTION ACTIVITY ENCOURAGED

The SPS bylaws state that to retain regular membership status, a member must participate in at least one section activity a year. This activity can be a section trip, service on a committee, presentation of a program at a meeting or some similar activity.

This clause in our bylaws has not been strictly enforced in the past; however, in order to encourage members to enter into section activities and to ensure that only active members be given a voice in section affairs, an attempt will be made to enforce the rule this year.

The section ballots, which all members receive in October, will have a place to write in the activity the member participated in during the year. Non-active members will be dropped from the rolls, but of course will continue to receive the ECHO and will be welcome on all section outings. The Management Committee hopes that this step will provide the SPS with a membership that remains interested and active in section affairs.

WANT TO BUY A TOPO?

I would like to buy a big batch of topo maps of parts of California and other nearby western states. But at the present price of 50 cents a quad, it is worthwhile to try to get the 40 per cent discount for an order of $100 or more.

If some other people would also like to order relatively large numbers of maps, I would be willing to do the paperwork and either order the maps or go downtown to the USGS office and pick them up. To keep the paperwork and accounting within bounds, orders should be a minimum of $10 (before discount). Actually, this isn't really bad since that is only 20 quads, which is barely enough to cover the Sierra from Matterhorn to Olancha.

Interested people should send a list of desired maps or quads, carefully specifying name of the map or quad, the series (e.g., 7-1/2 or 15 minute) where applicable, the state it is in, and MONEY (preferably in the form of a check). One may total the list price of the quads or maps, deduct 40 per cent, and send a check for that amount. Figured this way, it comes out $6.00. If inadequate orders are received to make this whole thing work, your check will be promptly returned.

Send your order to: R.M. Jali, 4748-G La Villa Marina, Marina Del Rey, Calif. 90291.

-- Dick Jali --
Montaineering Chairman Speaks

Your friendly Montaineering Chairman has these important announcements of interest to all SPS members:

Due to the record-breaking snowfall in the Sierra this past winter, some of our spring trips may have to be cancelled, rescheduled or changed. All participants are urged to contact leaders before going on trips scheduled prior to the 4th of July to obtain last-minute information on possible changes.

Revised Third Class forms are now available from the Montaineering Chairman. Those SPS members desiring to obtain a form should send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to: John Thornton, P. O. Box 1532, Manhattan Beach, Calif. 90266.

--- John Thornton ---

ASCENTS

Third Class Rock Climbing Practice, March 1, 2 ......... Norm Rohn

In spite of discouraging Friday weather in Los Angeles and not-too-promising predictions, nine eager climbers showed up in Palm Springs to practice their Third Class techniques on the Tahquitz Canyon walls. The day was perfect, and after some discussion and demonstration of basic rope handling, balance and stress climbing, hazards and signals, we took to the rock. Things there are a little cruddy, but great for demonstrating hazards, and not really untypical of most SPS Third Class trips. After lunch at the falls we climbed to the canyon crest and followed the ridge back to the cars.

A caravan to Indian Cove in Joshua Tree National Monument and car camp there prepared us for an early start onto that very different monzonite rock. A four-hour hike through the big boulders, across several ridges, over a minor peak and finally down a very messy canyon (involving a bit of spelunking) led us eventually back to our campsite. It was the kind of desert day the DPSers dream about. I doubt that anyone really minded the abraded hands and hide that resulted from some pretty strenuous scrambling.

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LaMont, Owens Peaks, March 22-23 ............... Jerry Keating

Because of road washouts and extremely heavy snow, the SPS first scheduled Sierra climb of 1969 — LaMont (7,468') and Owens (8,475') Peaks — were cancelled in advance. The trip writeup, fortunately, required all participants to contact a leader before the trip, and therefore the decision to abandon the outing was made without hesitation.

MEMORIAL DAY CLIMB SCHEDULED

Lake Tahoe Car Camp, May 30 — June 1 ............... Ron Jones

Friday morning, May 30, SPS snow-climbing enthusiasts will meet at Twin Bridges, California, about 41 miles east of Placerville on U.S. 50 for the start of a three-day Northern Sierra climbing weekend.

Friday morning at 9 a.m. we shall start for Pyramid Peak (10,020'). Saturday morning we will meet at 9 a.m. in the Squaw Valley parking lot for a climb of Granite Chief (9,006'). Evening entertainment is interesting and varied around the lake. Sunday we will probably climb Castle Peak (9,103') from Interstate 80, returning early to the cars for the drive home. Ice axes and lug soles are REQUIRED for this climb.

Please contact a leader prior to the trip: Ron Jones (213) 541-1703, or Rich Janecky (209) 368-4679.
SPS SUMMER SCHEDULE
1969

July 4 - 6
Stewart, Eagle Scout -- Fred Hoeptner, Bob Mason
"Florence, Needham -- George Shinno, Elizabeth Cuadra

July 12 - 13
Dragon, Black -- Gene Gail, Jerry Keating

July 19 - 20
Abbot -- Bill Rausch, Art Wester
Keith -- Jerry Keating, Ron Jones
Mineral King (women's backpack) -- Ann Hunt, Susan Thornton

July 26 - 27
Goethe, The Hermit -- Elton Fletcher, Dick Jali
Blue Lake (family backpack) -- Ted Maier, Izzy Lieberman

Aug. 2 - 3
Lyell -- Bob Mason, Horace Ory
Peak 13,120 (near Bear Creek Spire) -- Andy Smatko, Tom Ross

Aug. 9 - 10
N. Stanford, N. Morgan -- Dick Sykes, Bob Strommer
Mendel -- Rich Gnsay, Jerry Keating Norm Rohn

Aug. 16 - 17
Pyramid (Kings Canyon) -- Don Anderson, Norm Rohn
Leavitt, Stanislaus -- Roy Michel, Jim Powers

Aug. 23 - 24
Half Dome, Clouds Rest -- Bob Mason, Fred Hoeptner
Baldwin, Red Slate -- Art de Goede, Ed Stork

Aug. 30 - Sep. 1
Great Kaweah -- Al Fowler, Jerry Snyder
Kaweah Peaks Ridge (4th class) -- Dick Beach, Norm Rohn
Picket Guard, Kern Point -- Barbara Llalley, Jerry Keating, Elton Fletcher

Sep. 6-7
Muh -- Bill and Ann Hunt

Sep. 13 - 14
Inconsolable, Goode -- Elton Fletcher, Elizabeth Cuadra

Sep. 20 - 21
Coyote, Angora -- Ron Jones, Art Wester

Sep. 27 - 28
Cross, The Sphinx -- Izzy Lieberman, Miles Brubacher

Oct. 4 - 5
Dennison -- John Robinson, Jim Jenkins

Oct. 11 - 12
Tenaya Canyon -- Dick Beach, Neko Colevins

Oct. 18 - 19
Sirretta, Taylor Dome, Rockhouse -- Ron Jones, Marlin Clark

BMTC-SPS PEAK CLIMBS

June 28 - 29
Alta

July 4 - 6
Ritter, Banner

July 19 - 20
University

July 26 - 27
Sawtooth

Aug. 2 - 3
Ragged

Aug. 16 - 17
Carillon

Aug. 30 - Sep. 1
Brewer

Sep. 27 - 28
Tyn dall

WARNING TO TRIP PARTICIPANTS: Contact leader on all Sierra climbs
up to and including those scheduled on Fourth of July weekend. Heavy
snowpack and anticipated runoffs may force cancellation of some trips
and rescheduling of others.
The mountain climber is a noble breed. He may be a space engineer, an analytical mathematician, a graduate student, a doctor — quiet and thoughtful. But when the name of the game is peakbagging, the mild mannered man of science becomes a strange beast indeed.

He starts up his mountain before the sun pierces the horizon. He climbs like a wild animal is chasing him. His 2 lb. summit pack contains all the essentials — a miniature compass, a first aid kit or 2 bandaids and 2 aspirin, a partially filled canteen, a 5¢ candy bar, a pencil flashlight, a 3 ounce windbreaker, and a page torn out of a climber's guide. He'll climb solo the longest, hardest peaks on the list in record time. He is completely intolerant. He waits for no one. He refuses to turn back. He ignores the weather, always pressing onward. He scorches the trails, going direct through cactus, up ridges and frequently signs registers by flashlight. He goes with the club only if at least eight peaks are scheduled. He thinks 21 peaks in 24 hours can be exceeded.

With the club, he continually berates the leader for his tortoise-like pace. If given permission to go ahead, he storms up the peak, snatches a snack, hurriedly signs the register, takes a quick picture, and runs down the mountain so he can rush up another. Peaks in the area may be exhausted but he's not, so he furiously drives to another area and climbs until darkness forces him to stop.

His lawn is a foot long, his children rarely see him, his wife is frustratingly tolerant, his contemporaries and his boss think he has a death wish.

THEN HE EARNs HIS EMBLEMS AND BECOMES A LEADER — WHAT HAPPENS?

He writes up Mt. Sally as a 2-day backpack. He won't lead a group around the block without roping up. His summit pack is so full of emergency equipment it weighs 30 lbs. Beginning with Monday, he checks with the weather bureau daily — 30% possibility of rain keeps him indoors. He confides you can only go as fast as the slowest, so he lets him (or her?) lead. He won't go direct unless it's a new fuelbreak on a 10° dirt slope. He believes low second class is too dangerous and he fixes ropes. He places ducks on the John Muir trail. He is worried about visibility in high light cloud cover. He is so careful he fords almost-dry streambeds with reluctance. During interminable stops he breaks out multiple maps, sights on all the surrounding peaks, discourses at length on their geology and the flora and fauna. He spends an hour eating lunch on the summit, takes a nap and a sun bath. He starts his climb at 10:00 a.m. and is back to the cars by 2:00 p.m. He deplores haste of any kind, abhorring a McNutt-Davis death march as cardiac.

He now mows his lawn regularly, is learning his kids' names, is expecting another offspring, is in line for a business promotion, and has gained 10 pounds.

So, always remember, you new breed of gung-ho peakbaggers, that pussycat leader with all the badges was the tiger of yesteryear. Let's see what happens when you get the lead and the status symbols!

-- Les Stockton --
(From the "100 Peaks Lookout,"
March, 1969)
ECHOS FROM THE PAST
Ten Years Ago in the SPS

Jon Shinno, George Shinno’s son, wrote an interesting account of a private climb of Norman Clyde Peak made in the early spring of 1959. A party composed of Jon, Jim Eslinger and Ricky Tejada-Flores climbed the peak by a difficult Fourth Class route on the north face. The group found it necessary to bivouac enroute at about 13,600 feet on a tiny ledge large enough for only one man at a time to sit. The other two took turns standing during the night.

Safety in SPS-led trips was an important issue discussed in the Section ten years ago. Changes in Section Third and Fourth Class safety standards had just been made. Important articles on safety written by Bill Heusel and Bud Bingham appeared in the ECHO. It is interesting to realize that our present Third and Fourth Class safety standards are an extension of these early discussions.

The May 1959 ECHO contained an interesting article on the early days of the SPS written by Frank Sanborn. Following are a few excerpts:

"The need for a separate section of the Angeles Chapter devoted to hiking, camping and climbing in the Sierra was evident for several years. Beginning in 1952, non-scheduled trips into the Sierra were conducted with increasing frequency. Impetus was given this movement by the fact that the Desert Peaks Section scheduled an average of only three hikes per year into the Sierra. By 1955 the non-scheduled trips outnumbered scheduled ones about six to one. Such long-time Sierra enthusiasts as Bob Sheller, Miles Brubacher, Barbara Lilley, Lee Owings, Owen Blackburn, Frank Bressel, Pat Meixner, Chuck Miller, John Robinson, Bud Bingham and Frank Sanborn decided that the time was ripe to organize the Sierra Peaks Section. In the summer of 1955 the Section was given permission to organize within the framework of the Sierra Club and Frank Sanborn was selected as first chairman. By the end of 1955 the Section had 38 members.

"The original list of 200 qualifying peaks reached from Owens Peak to the Lake Tahoe area. (Peaks south of Owens Peak and north of Lake Tahoe were added later.) The original ten emblem peaks were Olancha Peak, Mt. Needham, Kaweah Peak, Mt. Whitney, Mt. Williamson, Mt. Brewer, Mt. Goddard, Mt. Darwin, Mt. Lyell and Matterhorn Peak. Early in 1956 it was felt that Mt. Needham did not deserve emblem status. It was then deleted and Mt. Ritter substituted.

"The present SPS emblem was drawn up by Bud Bingham in March 1956 and promptly adopted. A beautiful piece of work, it shows the distinctive emblem peak, Mt. Williamson, in profile with the white Sierra summer clouds floating overhead, snow on the flanks and pine boughs intertwined underneath.

"In 1956 the Section began its main function, that of scheduling weekend trips into the Sierra. The first SPS trip was led by Frank Sanborn and John Robinson to Deer Mountain near the South Fork of the Kern River on May 5-6. On May 26-27, Frank Sanborn and Miles Brubacher took an SPS group to Maggie Mountain near Balch Park on the west side. George Wallerstein and Steve Wilkie led a trip to Mt. Gilbert on June 2-3. Other peaks scheduled the first season included Trail Peak led by Sanborn and Ted Maier, Matterhorn Peak, Alta Peak, Whitney via the mountaineers’ route, Mt. Ritter, Goat Mountain, University Peak, Mt. Darwin and Mt. Le Marck, Mt. Irvine, Mt. Williamson, Mt. Silliman, Cardinal Mountain, Mt. Morrison, Tunabora, Rixford, Owens Peak and a joint climb with the DPS of Peak 11,107, north of Mt. Keynot in the Inyo Range. The Peak was named by the group on this climb and today it is known officially as Mt. Inyo."

-- Ron Jones --
We are pleased in this issue to be able to present an original cartoon by Mike Shaver. Wally Henry, who submitted the cartoon, writes:

"You will be interested in the fact that the Y's Hikers club of the Antelope Valley YMCA became involved in the fight against Forest Highway 100. At the suggestion of an article in the ECHO, we wrote protesting the further expenditure of money on this road.

"Enclosed is a cartoon drawn by one of our members. I feel this fellow has real talent. His name is Mike Shaver . . . ."

Our thanks to both Wally and Mike! We appreciate your concern for the welfare of the Sierra and your interest in the ECHO.

To Wally:
* Look into the future.
Entitled --

The injured climbers were confined to their shelters

Or

Subtitled --

The pain was in tents

Once upon a time there was a little village nestled in the foothills of a beautiful mountain range.

The highest peak in the range stood at the head of the valley just north of the village. To the east, 5,000 feet above the valley floor stood West Peak. The highest peak (7,000 feet above the valley floor) to the north was named Red Mountain because it resembled a wine bottle.

The village was named Belay. The townspeople were very proud of their hamlet. Early in its history they established a Chamber of Commerce. Of course the Chambers' job was to promote the hamlet. They always claimed that their hamlet was the valley front runner in agriculture, commerce, education, and mountaineering. Being good promoters they came up with a slogan for their hamlet. Far and wide they spread the word, "Belay the Leader."

Two of the people in the town were sweethearts, about to be married. They first met in grammar school. He was lean and long, well built and strong -- his name was Pete Ton. She was shapely, slim, and while she was generally quiet, she would occasionally open up -- especially when she caught Pete's eye. Her name was Carrie Beaner. Both Pete and Carrie had become professional mountain guides since graduating from high school.

One night Pete and Carrie were sitting in the local pub drinking beer and eating corn with their friend the proprietor -- Ruck Sack. Ruck had bought the pub many years before. He, too, had been a guide before his accident. A young, inexperienced tourist had stepped on him with a crampon. While the doctors patched up Ruck Sack, he never regained his original strength. Ruck loved the mountains, but he also loved his mountaineering friends. In order to enjoy them and give them a place to relax and tell their tales, he felt they needed a place to slow down after a climb. That was when he bought the Brake Bar.

As they sat, enjoying the company of one another, the front door opened suddenly. There stood the three members of the Glacier Patrol. The patrol was not so much like the rangers we know; they were actually part of the local police. To many of the townspeople, they were known as the ice screws. The first one in was the dynamic of the group -- Ed L. Rid -- he had a knack for holding the group together. The second one in was Rock Hammer -- he was the strongest of the group, but generally hard headed. The last member was Rip Stop -- he was an all-around guy; nothing got him down; when well treated he seemed to shed trouble. Rip was completely devoted to his job and had no other love. Rock Hammer and Ed L. Rid were enthusiastic about their work. Both of them had another love and her name was Carrie Beaner. Ed L. Rid and Pete Ton were reasonably good friends and occasionally they both went out with Carrie Beaner. Sometimes Ed L. Rid went by himself, but Pete Ton was rarely seen without Carrie Beaner. Rock Hammer had a different approach. Instead of trying to win Carrie on his own merit, he was always knocking Pete Ton. Of course, Carrie did not like that; she considered Rock Hammer a dolt.
One month later, Pete and Carrie were married by their long time friend, Bishop Cal. Best man was Al Timeter. Maid of honor was Ann Orak. Pete and Carrie honeymooned at a delightful little resort called Cornice on the Ridge. After the honeymoon they returned home to Belay to continue their guide work. It wasn't long before they realized that Carrie was going to have to give up guiding. Dr. Red Cross informed Carrie she was pregnant. Carrie had a fondness for Dr. Red Cross, for he had come to her aid first when she was injured five years ago. Dr. Cross would not be able to handle her case as Red had committed himself to a convention in Geneva. The new oriental doctor, Dr. Kao Pectate, would be there in the end. Time passed quickly and Carrie had twins — a boy and a girl, Rurp and Fiffi. So that Pete and Carrie could once again climb together, they hired a nurse for the children. Her name was Gretchen Biotic. The children grew to love her so much they called her Aunty Biotic.

One day, while climbing Red Mountain, heading across the upper glacier for the area known as the handle, Pete stepped in a crevasse; Carrie was unable to effect a self-arrest and she was dragged into the crevasse. She had not caught him this time. She had caught him in marriage, but in the mountains she had failed as a Pete Ton catcher. Neither was seriously hurt. They both realized they must get out quickly. They wished they had some ice screws. Luckily, they had been wandering their route and the Glacier Patrol found them. Their wish for ice screws had come true. Rip, Rock, and Ed had one objective — to get the two climbers out. Ed L. Rid lowered himself into the crevasse. Pete and Carrie prussikled out, thanks to Ed L. Rid. Within minutes, all five were on their way to the Brake Bar.

Ruck Sack had hired a new barmaid, Polly Bottle, and a new bartender, Ed. L. Weiss. Together they all drank and talked.

Just then Aunty Biotic injected herself through the doorway. She reported that Rurp and Fiffi had wandered toward the rock cliffs and had not returned. Immediately they realized that Rip, Rock, and Ed L. Rid could not help. Everyone knows ice screws are almost useless on rock. Pete and Carrie were exhausted from the crevasse ordeal.

In the next episode, Polly Bottle the barmaid, Ed L. Weiss the bartender, and Ruck Sack, the proprietor and once-upon-a-time climber, go the rescue of Rurp and Fiffi. Who, if anyone, will be the hero or heroine? Who is Billie Can? Who is the mystery girl referred to only as the Sleeping Bag? Who called the HPS Search and Rescue Team?

(Reprinted from the "100 Peaks Lookout," March 1969 issue)

NEW CLIMBING BOOK AVAILABLE

The Sierra Club's own Ruth and John Mendenhall are the authors of a new book on basic mountaineering. Introduction to Rock and Mountain Climbing concentrates on the fundamentals which the beginning and intermediate climber must learn for safe and successful roped ascents. Through all the information comes an awareness of what mountaineering really is — the high spirits, good humor, pleasures, and philosophies of those who climb. Their daughter, Vivian, is the illustrator of this book.

Over a span of 30 years the Mendenhalls have climbed all of the 14,000-foot peaks in the Cascades and the Sierra, achieved two first ascents in the Canadian Rockies, climbed in the Tetons, and ascended the Matterhorn, the Eiger and other peaks in the Alps. They are credited with finding new routes on the East Face of Mt. Whitney and other peaks in the High Sierra.

Introduction to Rock and Mountain Climbing, published by Stackpole Books, is sold for $5.95. Or you can order a minimum of five copies from the publisher at a cost of only $3.57 per copy.
CONSERVATION

Some thoughts on the kinds of growth that we must outgrow . . .

Sierra Club Director David Sive posed this question in a May, 1967, interview in Ramparts Magazine: "Did you ever think that you might be asking the wrong questions? I mean -- suppose we simply didn't build (an extra) airport?"

Think about it! Suppose we simply didn't!

Suppose we simply didn't fill the Bay to make room for another Los Angeles in a state that deserves only one.

Suppose we simply didn't complete the Embarcadero freeway, and the Highway 1 freeway on which to speed along a lacerated coast.

Suppose we simply didn't let the area between Roseville, Santa Rosa and Gilroy-Carmel coalesce into a supercity, with almost half enough air for its unhappy inhabitants to breathe, shoulder to shoulder.

Suppose we simply didn't keep building generating plants to resupply the light the smog blots out, and to cool the heat our increasing tensions build up.

Suppose we simply didn't create sonic booms in order to get away from it all faster.

Suppose we simply didn't keep believing the myth that some divine law requires unending growth in the number of people, in their appetite for using up resources, and in their proclivity at fouling nests.

Suppose, in short, we simply didn't try to kill a Golden State.

Who, really, would be hurt?

MORE ON MINERAL KING

Congressman Phillip Burton has introduced H.R. 8753 which is intended to preserve Mineral King. It is presumably similar to the bill he introduced last session to include Mineral King in Sequoia-Kings Canyon National Park. The Sierra Club supports its study and further support.

Write Congressman Burton at House Office Building, Washington, D. C., and tell him of your support for his bill.

-- Dick Jali, Conservation Chairman --
BY-LAWS
SIERRA PEAKS SECTION
SIERRA CLUB

(As amended December, 1968)

ARTICLE I: NAME OF SECTION

Section 1. The name of this group shall be THE SIERRA PEAKS SECTION of the Angeles Chapter of the Sierra Club.

ARTICLE II: PURPOSES

Section 1. The purposes of the Section shall be as follows:
(a) To develop and expand interest and activity of the Sierra Club membership to the Sierra Nevada.
(b) To promote weekend knapsack trips and mountain climbs in the Sierra Nevada, and to cultivate close comradeship among hikers and mountaineers.
(c) To aid in the conservation and preservation of the wilderness areas of the Sierra; the maintenance of good trails and clean campsites, and the dissemination of the general knowledge concerning the range.

ARTICLE III: PLACE OF BUSINESS

Section 1. The place of business shall be Los Angeles, California, and business meetings shall be held at Los Angeles.

ARTICLE IV: MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Regular members: Any member of the Sierra Club may become a member upon:
(a) Climbing any six mountains on the qualifying list maintained by the Section, this list to be established and modified by the Section Management Committee. At least two of these peaks shall be climbed on trips scheduled by the Section.
(b) Making application for membership in writing to the Secretary. Such members will retain membership as long as they are members in good standing of the Sierra Club, participate in at least one Section activity per year (such as a climb or service on a committee), and subscribe to the Section newsletter (one subscription is sufficient for related members living at the same address).

Section 2. Voting: Only members shall have the right to vote. This includes qualified members from any other chapter of the Sierra Club.

Section 3. Qualifications for office: Only members who are qualified to vote may hold office. No Section member may hold the same office for more than one term, or for an unexpired term and one term, during a five-year period.

Section 4. Honorary members: Any member of the Sierra Club who has performed outstanding service for the section, and who is otherwise unable to qualify for membership under Section 1 of this Article, may become an Honorary Member by majority vote of all ballots cast at an annual business meeting. Honorary Members shall not be entitled to hold offices or vote.

Section 5. Mascot members: Any person under 12 years of age whose parent or guardian is a member of the Section may become a Mascot Member by climbing any six mountains on the qualifying list maintained by the Section Management Committee and by applying in writing to the Secretary. The person's birthdate shall be stated in the application. Mascot membership shall expire when the holder reaches the age of 12 years.
ARTICLE V: MEETINGS

Section 1. The regular annual business meeting shall be held in October of each year. At this meeting at least five nominees will be selected. These names will be put on a ballot and mailed to members on record at the date of the mailing. All ballots must be received by the Secretary prior to the regular November meeting at which time they will be counted. The five nominees with the highest number of votes will constitute the Management Committee. Within two weeks they shall meet and select various officers from their number. These officers shall include: Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and Alternate Officer. They shall then be installed in January to supervise the affairs for the ensuing year or until their successors have been confirmed in office by the Chapter Executive Committee.

Section 2. Business meetings of the members shall be held when called by the Chairman. Upon the written request of a majority of the members the Chairman shall call such a meeting within thirty days after receipt of the request.

Section 3. Ten members shall constitute a quorum for the conduct of business at the annual and other business meetings of the membership. A majority of the votes cast shall be required for the transaction of business.

Section 4. Notice of meetings of the membership shall be given in writing to the members by the Secretary, or his designee, of the Section at least two weeks prior to the date of such meeting. Notice of such meeting will be sent to the address of the member as shown on the records of the Section, or through announcement in the Chapter Schedule or the Section newsletter. Such notice shall state the purpose of the meeting, the matters to be considered and the place at which the meeting shall be held.

Section 5. At business meetings of the Section, the order of business shall be as follows:
(a) Minutes of the previous meeting read.
(b) Reports of officers.
(c) Reports of committees.
(d) Introduction of new members since last meeting.
(e) Unfinished business.
(f) New business.
(g) Election of officers.
(h) Adjournment.

Section 6. Meetings of the Management Committee shall be held when called by the Chairman or any three members of the Committee. Three members shall constitute a quorum and three affirmative votes shall be required for the transaction of any business, or approval on any resolution.

Section 7. Should a vacancy occur on the Management Committee, the remaining members shall, within thirty days, elect a member of the Section to fill the vacancy. Preference shall be given to those members who were voted upon for the Management Committee at the last annual membership meeting.

ARTICLE VI: DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Section 1. Chairman: The Chairman shall preside at the meetings of the Section and of the Management Committee; shall administer these By-Laws; shall call meetings of the Section and Management Committee as required; shall make reports on the activities and financial status of the Section as required by the Chapter Executive Committee; and shall, with the advice and consent of the Management Committee, appoint committees to plan and carry on the activities of the Section.

Section 2. Vice-Chairman: During the absence or disability of the Chairman, the Vice-Chairman shall act in his place.

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Section 3. Secretary: The Secretary shall keep minutes of the meetings of the Section and of the Management Committee; shall have custody of the records; shall attend to the correspondence under the direction of the Chairman; shall have a copy of these By-Laws and those of the Angeles Chapter available for inspection at all meetings of the Section and of the Management Committee; and shall give notice of meetings.

Section 4. Treasurer: Under the general supervision of the Management Committee, the Treasurer shall have the custody of the funds, and keep an accurate record thereof; shall make disbursements when authorized to do so by the Management Committee or Chairman; shall prepare a financial statement itemizing all receipts and disbursements, to be submitted upon request from the Section Management Committee or the Chapter Executive Committee and in any event at the annual business meeting; shall maintain all records necessary for a complete and satisfactory audit and shall collect and disburse all funds for special events. Any officer may collect funds which will then be turned over to the Treasurer. In addition, the Treasurer shall from time to time secure badges as needed to supply the membership.

Section 5. Alternate Officer: The Alternate Officer shall attend all membership meetings and assume the responsibilities of any officer not present except where this conflicts with the provisions of Section 2 of this Article. He has full voting privileges as a member of the Management Committee, and also has a right to vote when all members of the Management Committee are present.

ARTICLE VII: FUNDS

Section 1. No dues shall be assessed or collected. Voluntary contributions may be accepted, however, to pay for supplies, equipment, decorations, prizes, refreshments, and to meet other incidental expenses.

Section 2. The funds acquired by the Section shall be placed in Section accounts to be established by the Treasurer. Access to this account shall be by the Treasurer and the Chairman.

ARTICLE VIII: BADGES

Section 1. This Section shall adopt a badge, and all members of the Section who have climbed ten of the following fifteen peaks on the qualifying list maintained by the Section shall be entitled to a badge upon applying to the Secretary in writing and forwarding payment therefor: Clancha Peak, Mt. Kaweah, Mt. Whitney, Mt. Williamson, Mt. Brewer, Mt. Clarence King, Split Mtn., North Palisade, Mt. Goddard, Mt. Darwin, Mt. Humphreys, Mt. Abbot, Mt. Ritter, Mt. Lyell and Matterhorn Peak.

ARTICLE IX: APPEALS

Section 1. Any member may appeal in writing to the Chapter Executive Committee for a final determination regarding action of the Section or of the Management Committee.

ARTICLE X: COMMITTEES

Section 1. Standing and special committees shall be appointed as required to plan and carry out the activities of the Section. These committees will be responsible to the Management Committee.

Section 2. The standing committees shall include a Mountaineering Safety Committee, Mountaineering Records Committee, Publications Committee and Conservation Committee.
(a) The Mountaineering Safety Committee shall establish and enforce safety standards for the climbing activities of the Section, and formulate training and testing procedures to implement them. This committee shall maintain lists of those who have passed the tests which have been established, and the Chairman of this committee shall have passed the highest of these tests which is currently in use within the Section.
(b) The Mountaineering Records Committee shall maintain the list of qualifying peaks, including recommending additions to or deletions from such list subject to the provision of these By-Laws; shall maintain a record of mountaineering activities of the Section, including a record of persons participating in those activities; and shall keep other records of a mountaineering nature (e.g., condition of Sierra summit registers and those placed by the Section) as may be required by the activities of the Section.
(c) The Schedule Committee shall plan the mountaineering activities of the Section in the ensuing year. These activities shall include, but not be restricted to, climbs of the qualifying peaks, and, when possible, of one or more Sierra peaks not on the qualifying list. (The Section Chairman and Vice-Chairman shall be ex-officio members of this committee.)
(d) The Program Committee shall arrange the activities of the Section which are not of a mountaineering nature. These activities may include, but are not necessarily restricted to, the programs and refreshments at the monthly meetings and the annual banquet.
(e) The Publications Committee shall publish, or cause to be published, the Section newsletter, copies of the list of qualifying peaks and, at least once a year, a list of all members of record for distribution with an issue of the newsletter.
(f) The Conservation Committee shall plan activities related to conservation in the Sierra Nevada in areas of interest to the Section and which utilize its unique capabilities. This committee shall also maintain liaison with Chapter and other Sierra Club activities in the conservation area.

ARTICLE XI: AMENDMENTS

Section 1. These By-Laws may be amended by a two-thirds majority of the regular members submitting written ballots, provided that ballots are sent to all regular members at least three weeks prior to counting. Following adoption by the Section, the Chapter Executive Committee must give its approval before the amendment is effective.