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**JUNE 19** TO

**AUGUST 13 '67**



FIRST PICTURE OF YUKON PEAK - This view of the Centennial Ridge chosen for the Centennial climb by alpine teams from each province and the two northern territories, shows the peak tentatively selected as the Yukon's in centre, with the NWT peak at the left. Base camps will be established next summer from which the twelve

climbing teams will set forth to scale their assigned peak in what Centennial Commission planners have described as "the most imaginative" project of the hundreds now under way celebrating Canada's 100th birthday.

Dr. Walter Wood photo

The Whitehorse Star Sept. 22/66

## Yukon Alpine Expedition Carefully Planned

July 24, Centennial Range;  
July 16 - August 13, Main Camp.

"The Yukon Alpine Centennial Expedition will be a project that will capture the imagination, not only of Canadians, but of people throughout the world" said David R. Fisher, Eastern vice-president of the Alpine Club of Canada in Toronto today.

Mr. Fisher announced that preparatory work on the mountain-climbing project has reached a further stage, with extensive reconnaissance carried out in the proposed areas for camp sites during July and August.

Members of the group taking part in the reconnaissance work this summer, in addition to Mr. Fisher, were C. P. Hughes, Senior Advisory Counsel, Kurt Koken, Chief Clerk, Engineering Department, Monty E. Alford, Water Resources Branch, Department of Mines and Technical Surveys, from the Yukon, and representing the Arctic Institute of North America were Dr. Walter Wood, Director, Kenneth de la Barre, Phillip Upton, Dick Ragle, all from the Icefield Ranges Research Project; and representing the Alpine Club of Canada with Mr. Fisher were Dr. Fred Roots, Department of Mines and Technical Surveys, and James F. Tarrant, Camp Site Committee and Boardmember.

The purpose of the reconnaissance this summer was to observe on the ground, and to photograph, the proposed areas for the Yukon Alpine Centennial Expedition camp sites. They had already been investigated from the air in April. This summer's survey provided first-hand knowledge of the conditions which will prevail at the time of the expedition next year.

Duration of the Expedition will be from June 20 to August 20, 1967. This is broken down as follows: June 20 - July 14, International Peak; July 8 -

Work carried out this summer included a reconnaissance of the Government campgrounds at 1084 and 1105, to determine suitability of the sites for staging camps. A ground reconnaissance was made of the mine road up Quill Creek, as far as Nickel Creek, to determine suitability of this means of access to the main camp site. A flight was made over the Quill Creek and Wade Creek valleys observing ground conditions, and a flight up the Steele Glacier and around the peaks at the head of the valley.

The mountains were found to be ideal for the main camp with 100 people. Peaks were of a wide range of difficulty and height. Both these flights were made in the Arctic Institute's Helio Courier aircraft, piloted by Phillip Upton.

A good grass camp site at 5700 feet, recommended by Dr. Wood, on the south side of the valley was observed from the air. This site is located next to the "galloping" Steele Glacier, which is now most spectacular.

Two members of the party, Kenneth de la Barre and David Fisher, landed on the proposed main camp site in a helicopter chartered from General Enterprises and piloted by Ray Samora, and the site was found to be most suitable.

Meetings were held with personnel of the Icefield Ranges Research project at the Klusane Lake base, and with government officials in Whitehorse.

The committee decided to establish the main camp at the Steele Glacier site. Not only is this most suitable, but the location will save costs over an alternate site in the centre of the Icefield Ranges.

The sites for the three base camps in the Centennial Group of 13 peaks, have been selected in general, and their exact locations will be determined when the camps are established next July 6.

The exact location of the base camp for the eight-man party on the International peak, to be climbed jointly with the U.S. Alpine group, is still to be selected.

The Working Committee now includes Kurt Koken, Arnold Charbonneau, of the Centennial Commission, Ken de la Barre, David Fisher and Dr. Fred Roots.

"While the final amount of the financial support from the Centennial Commission has not yet been determined" Mr. Fisher said, "we are confident that the whole of this unique and exciting Centennial project will be carried out. It will add immeasurably to the many outstanding achievements of Canadian pioneers in all areas and fields."

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### Centennial climb

**YELLOWKNIFE, N.W.T.** — Fourteen unclimbed and unnamed mountain peaks in the southeast section of the Yukon will be the object of a centennial assault next year. W. J. M. Gibson, director of the Yukon Travel and Publicity Department, said Wednesday.



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## Got any pressing Centennial plans? You could climb a Yukon mountain

BY BARRY CONN HUGHES

Let's be honest. Not a few Centennial projects involve replacing old municipal arenas that were due for replacement anyway. But where's the project with the daring, the imagination and the sense of adventure that was building a nation a century ago?

Well, here's one project: it's the "Yukon Alpine Centennial Expedition - A Proposal For A Sporting And Mountain Exploration Activity Among The Highest Mountains Of Canada, The Icefield Ranges Of The Saint Elias Mountains, In Celebration Of The Centennial Of The Confederation Of Canada."

Picture, if you will, 260 mountaineers clambering away next summer in what will probably be the biggest participating mountaineering project ever organized. Imagine, in a once-in-a-lifetime effort, teams of hand-picked experts climbing a virgin Centennial

Range, naming one peak for each province and territory, and the largest as The Centennial Peak. Visualize, too, a major unclimbed peak on the Yukon-Alaska border awaiting an assault by a joint Canadian-American team. And all this in the most spectacular and challenging mountain-climbing area in Canada. In height and grandeur, the Saint Elias Mountains, which rear up in the southwest corner of the Yukon, are surpassed only by the Himalayas and the Central Andes.

The whole effort has a very good chance of coming off. The Yukon Territorial Government and the 1,200-member Alpine Club of Canada have prepared a detailed proposal, and the Centennial Commission has intimated support. A ground reconnaissance party surveyed the expedition area this summer, and



alpinists are already working on such massive logistical problems as delivering 39 tons of equipment, food and fuel to the right places at the right times. A selection committee is preparing application forms for climbers across the country.

For several years, the Alpine Club, one of the oldest amateur sports bodies in Canada, had been pondering a Centennial project. More recently, they found their ideas had much in common with a plan for drawing attention to the Icefield Ranges conceived by two Yukon boosters, mountaineer M. E. Alford of Whitehorse and C. P. Hughes, senior advi-

*Celebrating the Centennial the hard way, 260 mountaineers plan to make an assault on the Icefield Ranges of the Saint Elias Mountains in the Yukon (above), like the two members of the Alpine Club of Canada (left)*

sory counsel to the Yukon Government. Encouraged by the response from provincial premiers and the Commissioner of the Northwest Territories, they decided to merge their two proposals last fall.

Those who don't make the elite teams for the Centennial Range assaults will be able to join in one of two general mountaineering camps of 100 climbers each. More than half the expenses of the project will be borne by the climbers and their organizations.

The peaks they hope to name the Centennial Range are around 10,000 to 12,000 feet high. (The Centennial Peak is about 12,300 feet and is, fortuitously, situated between the Quebec and Ontario peaks.)

When they're done, there should be a fitting and permanent memorial to the Centennial on the map of Canada.



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# Groups Plan To 'Rough It' As Centennial Ventures

Calgarians from at least five groups are planning to rough it next summer in a Centennial bid to get to know their country better. Most ambitious project is that

of the Rocky Mountain Ramblers, who will lay out the first segment of a 30-mile hiking trail—from Dead Man's Flat, five miles east of Canmore, over 9,250-foot Mt. Allen, to the head of the Little Elbow River.

Preliminary work on the trail to be known as the "eastern Rockies trail," began last fall with the marking of a route to the timberline on both sides of Mt. Allen.

### GHOST TOWN

Work in 1967 will see the trail extended to the ghost town of Ribbon Creek on the Kananaskis Road. In the next year members of the hiking-skiing group will push the trail south to the Little Elbow.

Organizers say the trip will be possible for family groups and that the view of Calgary and the prairie from Mt. Allen is "tremendous."

A monument may be erected on a mountain pass five miles southwest of Eisenhower Junction honoring the founder of another group—the Trail Riders of the Canadian Rockies.

The project would see a stone monument and plaque erected on Gibbon Pass, named for John Murray Gibbon, a Canadian Pacific vice-president, who founded the group more than 40 years ago.

Camping in the area will be the sister group of the Trail Riders, the Skyline Hikers of the Canadian Rockies. The Riders themselves are planning week-long rides near the headwaters of the Spray River.

### CLIMB PEAKS

Calgarians are almost certain to be represented on teams climbing the Centennial peaks in the south-east Yukon this summer. It is expected that members of both the Calgary branch of the Alpine Club of Canada and the Calgary Mountain Climbing Club will participate in the assaults on the 14 unclimbed peaks.

At least 25 members, of age 14 and up, will shell out \$400 each for the trip which will take them to Quebec City, the Gaspé Peninsula, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island and Nova Scotia.

Adult supervisors will book them into youth hostels, camps and other accommodation along the way. Others in the association will again cycle through the breath-taking mountain country on the Banff-Jasper highway.

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### CENTENNIAL

## Mass Climb Planned For Yukon

Alpinists from the 10 provinces and two territories will compete next summer in an expedition to one of the world's most challenging and spectacular mountain climbing areas.

The centennial commission announced Wednesday that the climb—called the Yukon Alpine Centennial Expedition—will be one of the largest ever undertaken in the world.

Thirteen four-man teams—one from each province and each territory and one national group—will participate in the mammoth event.

Each team will tackle a previously-unclimbed peak in the newly-named Centennial Range of the St. Elias Mountains in the Yukon Territory.

The peaks, ranging in height from 10,000 to 12,500 feet, will be named for the provinces and territories.

To mark the coincident centenary of the purchase of Alaska by the U.S., there will also be an international ascent of an unclimbed peak on the Canada-U.S. border by a team from both countries.

This peak will be known as International Peak.

The expedition into the unexplored range, sponsored by the Yukon government and the Alpine Club of Canada, will be held between June 19 and Aug. 12.

Two mountaineering camps, each with a capacity of 100 climbers, will be held on the icefield following the assaults by the provincial and territorial teams.

An expedition selection committee will choose the climbers. Application forms are available in Vancouver from the Alpine Club of Canada, 2974 West Twenty-eighth.

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She's sitting on top of the world, or she may be this summer if mountain climber-model-school teacher Ruth Page, 29, has her way. Miss Page is testing her scaling rope for the benefit of Craig P. Hughes (centre), legal advisor to the Yukon-Territorial Government, and R. A. M. Coppentrath, president of Photo Importing Agencies, who presented winterized automatic cameras to the Yukon Alpine Centennial Expedition.

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## Climbers to Tackle Canada's Highest Peaks

Two hundred and sixty of Canada's most experienced climbers will clamber and claw their way to the top of 14 unnamed mountain peaks during Centennial Year. Four-man teams of alpinists, representing each province and territory, will climb peaks ranging between 10,000 and 12,500 feet in the Icefield Ranges. When — and if — they reach the summit a provincial or territorial flag will be hoisted and the mountain will be named.

A separate team of the best climbers will tackle the most outstanding mountain, to be called Centennial Peak. It is 12,300 feet high.

The climbers will tackle the St. Elias Icefield Ranges near the Alaska border — bleak, lonely and, so far, ignored, surpassed only by the Himalayas and Central Andes in height and grandeur. Another major peak of 15,700 feet — nearly three miles high — will be climbed by a joint Canadian/American team.

Situated on the Alaska-Yukon border, this peak will mark the longstanding friendship that exists between the two nations and the coincidental Centennials of the purchase of Alaska and the Confederation of Canada.

The mass climb, co-ordinated by the Yukon Territorial Government, the Alpine Club of Canada and the Arctic Institute of North America, is being aided by a Centennial Commission grant.

June 19 to July 7 has been set for the assault on the international peak by eight Canadian and American climbers. Ascent of the other 13 peaks will start June 8 or 9, with the expedition ending July 22 or 23.



Alpine Club of Canada member Ruth Page tests her scaling rope in preparation for the attempt on 14 of Canada's unnamed mountains. Photographing her is R. A. M. Coppentrath, president and general manager of Photo Importing Agencies Ltd., Toronto, while Roger Neave of Sarnia, president of the Alpine Club, looks on. The company is presenting 14 winterized, automatic cameras to the expedition.



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Yukon and the Mountains

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named Good Neighbor Peak. This climb will commemorate two centennials: Canadian Confederation and the purchase of Alaska from Russia by the U.S.

The event is being co-ordinated by the Alpine Club of Canada, and will start June 19 with the Yukon-Alaska border climb, Centennial range climbs will start July 8, and a third phase, establishment of two general camps near Steele Glacier, will start July 15. Each camp will accommodate 115 climbers.

Each of the mountaineers taking part will pay his own way to the staging area at Klunso Lake in the Yukon and will pay a further fee to help cover the cost of the \$1.4 million project.

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# Nelson Woman For Yukon Centre

Mrs. Helen Bulling of Nelson chosen by a committee of the Alpine Club of Canada as one of a four-woman climbing party to take part in the Yukon Alpine Centennial Expedition this summer.

Twelve teams of four men each and the one women's group will attempt initial climbs on as yet unclimbed peaks in the Centennial section of the St. Elias Range of the Yukon. Each team will ascend a peak named for it, in addition to the North West Territories. The expedition team consisting of four Americans and four Canadians will climb an Alaska-Yukon

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# You could climb a mountain for Centennial

By NEIL MacCART, Star sports writer

Everybody to his own game, and to some 2,500 Canadians, the name of the game is mountaineering.

This small group which includes approximately 400 women, has undertaken an extremely challenging project, called the Yukon Alpine Centennial Expedition.

Twelve teams of four men and one team of four women will attempt first ascents of the 13 Centennial peaks in the St. Elias range in the Yukon.

The peaks will be named for each of the provinces and the territories, and the 13th and highest peak—12,321 feet—will be named Centennial Peak.

Another team, consisting of four Canadians and four U.S. climbers, will attempt the ascent of a major unclimbed summit on the Alaska-Yukon border, to be named "Good Neighbor Peak" at 15,700 feet, to celebrate the centenaries of Confederation and the purchase of Alaska by the U.S.

## Have doctors

Six Toronto mountaineers are among the 55 climbers selected. They are Dr. Alan Bruce-Robertson, a physician on the Canadian team on Good Neighbor Peak; James Worthington White, a member of the Mount Yukon team; Helmut Microys and Alex Norman, on the Mount Ontario team; Stephen Bezruchka on the Mount New Brunswick team; Dr. R. H. Moreland Roe, on the Mount Newfoundland team.

"We have about 1,250 members in the Alpine Club of Canada, and there are about the same number in other groups" explained David Fisher, the club's eastern vice-president, and chief co-ordinator of the centennial project.

## Question of stamina

Contrary to what you might expect, Fisher doesn't see the sport as either physically demanding, or expensive.

"There is no rapid expenditure of energy in climbing such as you experience playing a game of hockey when you use up energy in short bursts" he maintained. "The ordinary climber is not nearly as fit as a hockey player. It's a question of stamina."

"One of the most famous climbers in Britain was rejected by the RAF because

of a heart condition, yet he had climbed higher than anybody on Mount Everest at that time."

Fisher got interested in climbing as a boy in his native Great Britain. He has climbed in the Alps, the Himalayas, Alaska and extensively in the Rockies since coming to Canada.

"The biggest expense is getting to the mountains, especially if you live in eastern Canada," he said.

## A \$20 rope

"The only equipment needed is good mountaineering clothing, such as a parka, breeches, boots which run up to \$40 a pair, and a rope which costs another \$20.

Ages of the participants vary widely, starting at about 16 and running all the way up to 75.

"It's just a question of degree" said Fisher. "As you get older, you pick climbs that are less demanding."

Two of Canada's outstanding climbers are Dr. Bruce-Robertson, and Microys.

Microys is an Austrian-born civil engineer, working on his PhD at University of Toronto. He received his Canadian citizenship just a week ago.

"Is it dangerous?" he was asked. "To a certain extent, yes. Accidents can happen crossing the street."

## It is costly

The expedition is being supported financially by grants of \$25,000 from the Centennial Commission, which has approved the program, and \$23,000 from the Department of National Health and Welfare in connection with the fitness and amateur sports program. The Yukon Territories government has contributed \$15,000; Quebec, Newfoundland and Northwest Territories, \$2,000 each.

Fisher estimated the direct cost at \$133,500, and the overall cost at \$236,500.

Participants will contribute approximately 50 per cent by paying a fee of \$250 for use of the camp, plus food, equipment and internal transport. Each of the mountaineers will pay his or her own transportation to the staging area at Kluane Lake.

Mountaineering anyone?



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Helmut Microys, a Centennial climber, is long way up.

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# Nelson Woman Climber Chosen For Yukon Centennial Ascension

Mrs. Helen Butling of Nelson was chosen by a committee of the Alpine Club of Canada as one of a four-woman climbing party to take part in the Yukon Alpine Centennial Expedition this summer.

Twelve teams of four men each and the one women's group will attempt initial climbs of as yet unsurmounted peaks in

the Centennial section of the St. Elias Range of the Yukon.

Each province will have a peak named for it, as will the North West Territories. An additional team consisting of four Americans and four Canadians, will climb an Alaska-Yukon border peak to be called Good Neighbor Mountain.

The project will recognize two centennials; Canadian confederation and the purchase of Alaska from Russia by the United States.

The climb of Good Neighbour peak will commence June 19, with an army of 52 other climbers embarking on their chosen Centennial Peak challenges 19 days later on July 8.

In addition, two general camps will be established, starting in mid-July, near Steele glacier. They will accommodate 115 climbers each.

The idea of a Centennial range climb was initiated by Yukon lawyer Craig Hughes. Financial support for the project is well founded, coming from the Centennial Commission, the fitness and amateur sports division of the department of national health, the Yukon territorial government, the provinces of Quebec and Newfoundland and

the Northwest Territories.

Mrs. Butling will be joined by Andrea Joanna Rankin and Mrs. Wendy Farris Teichmann, both of Montreal. Team leader will be Gertrude Lillian Smith of Vancouver. Their chosen mountain rises to a height of 11,387.

Ninety applications were received, though only 60 could be chosen by the committee selected by Canadian Alpine Club.

Mrs. Butling expects that three base camps will be set up at about the 5000 foot level. Each will service expeditions to a number of mountains. The Mount Saskatchewan group hopes to start early in the morning from their 8000-foot high camp to allow them to return to camp before dusk after gaining the summit.

The Canadian Alpine Club was formed in 1906 in Winnipeg under prominent surveyor Arthur A. O. Wheeler, first president. The club was formed of 109 men from all walks of life. CPR contributed 20 passes to the club, valid to and from any place in Canada to men chosen by the club to initiate the organization. Theme of the meeting was, "Bring me men to match my mountains."

Aims of the club were set out as follows:

1. Exploration of Canadian alpine and glacier regions and the promotion of scientific study thereof.
2. Education of Canadians in appreciation of their mountain heritage.
3. The encouragement and cultivation of mountain craft.
4. The preservation of the natural beauties of the mountain places and of the animals and flowers in their natural surroundings.
5. The dissemination for scientific and educational purposes of knowledge concerning mountaineering through its meetings, publications and library.

To become a member of the club, a climber must have

climbed for at least two years, and have four major mountains to his credit, each extending 2000 feet above timberline, with experience on rock, snow and ice.

Kootenay Section of the Alpine Club of Canada was formed just two years ago. It encompasses Trail, Rossland, Castlegar and Nelson, with between 90 and 100 members.

Aims of the Kootenay section are:

1. Maintain a program of climbing during the summer season and ski mountaineering trips in the winter and spring.
2. To serve as a nucleus for people interested in mountaineering and others wishing to associate with like interests.
3. To maintain records of pertinent information on trips in the West Kootenay area.
4. To provide facilities for development of active membership in the Alpine Club of Canada.
5. To encourage climbing leadership.

Since the Kootenay club was formed in 1964, members have carried out renovation work to the Slocan Chief Cabin on Kokanee Glacier. They have cut trails, making their special project the Maluvei Creek trail into the Valhalla mountain range in Slocan area. Members also plan to build trails into Kokanee Park.

Each year the club holds a rock school through May, June and July to teach safe climbing. A snow school also is held to teach the varied climbing techniques in icy conditions.

The Kootenay Club rescue team practises various aiding techniques but has not been called out on an emergency. As Mrs. Butling said, "They haven't had an opportunity to find out how good they really are."

The club is holding a week's camp in the Earl Grey Pass area at the head of Toby Creek in East Kootenay. This unfrequented area offers climbing on 10,000-11,000 foot mountains.

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# 2033 Centennial climbers selected

Twenty-eight British Columbia and Alberta residents are among the 60 mountain climbers selected to form teams to attempt first ascent of 13 peaks with the Yukon Alpine Centennial Expedition this summer. An approximate total of 320 mountaineering enthusiasts will take part in the Expedition as climbing team or camp members.

The Expedition, unique in the history of mountain climbing and Canadian sports, is receiving \$25,000 backing from the Centennial Commission, and further financial support from the fitness and amateur sports division of the Federal Department of Health and Welfare, the Yukon territorial government, the provinces of Quebec and Newfoundland and the Northwest Territories.

The Expedition, consisting of twelve teams of four men each and one four-woman group, will make the attempts in the Centennial area of the St. Elias Range in the Yukon.

Following the climbs, the peaks will be named after provinces and territories, with the 13th and highest to be named Centennial Peak. A 14th team, made up of four Canadians and four Americans, will try a first ascent of a major unclimbed summit on the Yukon-Alaska border, to be named Good Neighbor Peak.

This climb will commemorate two centennials: Canadian Confederation and the purchase of Alaska from Russia by the U.S.

The event is being co-ordinated by the Alpine Club of Canada, and will start June 19 with the Yukon-Alaska border climb, Centennial range climbs will start July 8, and a third phase, establishment of two general camps near Steele Glacier, will start July 15. Each camp will accommodate 115 climbers.

Each of the mountaineers taking part will pay his own way to the staging area at Kluane Lake in the Yukon and will pay a further fee to help cover the cost of the \$1.4 million project.

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### Female Team Aims to Scale B.C. Mountain

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For 20 years she has been enjoying her hobby—"mainly to get away from the rat race"—and now she has been chosen to climb a mountain to celebrate Centennial Year.

Miss Smith, a former Londoner, has been assigned to conquer an unexplored Far Northern peak. She will lead an all-female team up 11,387-foot Mount Saskatchewan in the St. Elias Range on the British Columbia-Yukon border.

Thirteen other teams will climb 13 other peaks in the area. All teams will plant Canada's centennial flag atop their mountains.

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### Woman To Lead Climb

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### SUMMER EFFORTS

## Kelowna Climber On Assault Team

Byron Olson of Kelowna, with three other companions, will attempt the ascent of 10,200-foot Mount British Columbia with the Yukon Alpine Centennial Expedition this summer.

He is one of the 28 B.C. and Alberta climbers among the 60 climbers selected to attempt the first ascent of 13 unclimbed peaks. The expedition will consist of 12 teams of four men

each and one four-woman group and will make attempts in the centennial area of the St. Elias Range in the Yukon.

Joining Mr. Olson, a local architect, in climbing Mount British Columbia will be Ralph Hutchinson of Nanaimo and Andrew Gruft and Carl Winter, both of Vancouver.

Mount British Columbia is located in the southwest corner of the St. Elias range.

"We don't know how long the climb will take us. We will have about 7,000 vertical feet to climb," said Mr. Olson.

He has been climbing since about 1956 in the Rockies, Cascades in Washington, coast mountains and interior ranges of B.C. He has been on two climbing expeditions on Mount Waddington and has been involved in mountain rescue.

A flag will be placed at the summit of the peaks and each peak will be named after one of the provinces and territories, with the 13th and highest peak, (10,400 feet) to be named Centennial Peak.

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The event is being co-ordinated with the Alpine Club of Canada and will start June 15, with the Yukon-Alaska border climb. Centennial range climbs will begin early in July and the establishment of two general camps near Steele Glacier will start July 15. A total of about 330 alpinists will take part in the expedition as members of climbing teams or camp members.

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### Teacher To Lead Centennial Team Of Mountaineers

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## Schoolteacher Enjoys Climbing Mountains

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1er juin, Rencontre de médailles du Centenaire aux étudiants; 1er juin, Cérémonies militaires et défilés dans toute la province; Jour des sports des jeunes de la Légion canadienne, Grand Falls; 22 juil. et 1er-27 août, le Royal Newfoundland Regiment donne un spectacle historique sur Signal Hill avec uniformes et armes.

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# Centennial roundup

## Personal projects

### Making whoopee!

Scaling mountains; shooting rapids, feeding 18,000 ravenous kids—what's the point? It's the whoop-it-up spirit that makes three hundred and sixty-five days of legitimate birthday party just too good to pass up. And since this is happening just once in a lifetime, Canadians in general, and IOL employees in particular, are tearing into Centennial with avid birthday highjinks. Some examples:

Take perennially-tanned Roger Neave, a senior engineer at manufacturing's engineering division, in Sarnia. President of the Alpine Club of Canada, Neave and 260 other mountaineers will make like mountain goats on 300 peaks in the Yukon's Icefield Ranges this summer. The main Centennial target—sponsored by the Yukon government and greeted with delight by the Alpine club—is 13 unclimbed peaks of between 10,000 and 12,500 feet in the St. Elias Mountains.\*

### Climb every mountain

"This expedition is unique in the history of mountaineering and in Canadian sports," says Neave with obvious pride. To mark the coinciding centenaries of the U.S. purchase of Alaska and Canada's confederation, an international eight-man team will attempt an unnamed, unclimbed 15,700-foot peak on the Alaska-Yu-

\*The 13 peaks are named after the 10 provinces, and two territories with the highest and most splendid called Centennial Peak. St. Elias mountains are surpassed only by the Himalayas and Central Andes in grandeur and size.



MOUNTAINEER NEAVE  
Assaulting the "Icefield Ranges"

kon border. "I'd like to climb all of them," confides Neave, "but my duties as president will keep me busy at summer camps we are holding in the area". He plans though to clamber up "quite a few" mountains.

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# GUIDE DES FÊTES DU CENTENAIRE

Des divertissements et des événements pour tous les goûts en 1967.

## Yukon

**25 juin-17 août**, Divertissements du bon vieux temps au Palace Grand Theatre, Dawson City; **19 juin-7 juil.**, Ascension d'un pic international à la frontière du Yukon et de l'Alaska; Expédition d'alpinisme du centenaire du Yukon, monts Saint-Elias; **juil. à fin sept.**, Voyages par la route de l'Alaska, pour célébrer le vingt-cinquième anniversaire de l'inauguration de la route, C-B-Yukon-Alaska; **8-9 juil.**, Ascension de pics par treize équipes canadiennes de quatre hommes, monts Saint-Elias; **15-17 juil.**, Carnaval de la piste du Klondike de 1898, Whitehorse; Journées du Retour à Dawson City; Expédition d'alpinisme du centenaire du Yukon; des alpinistes de réputation internationale vont faire l'ascension d'une montagne qu'ils vont nommer le Pic du Centenaire; **8 août**, Flottille d'embarquations privées va descendre la rivière Yukon depuis le Lac Bennett en passant par le Klondike, Dawson City jusqu'à Eagle, Alaska; **17 août**, Célébration du Jour de la découverte rappelant la découverte de l'or en 1896 qui a déclenché la ruée vers l'or du Klondike, Dawson City.

## Territoires du Nord-Ouest

**Début d'avril**, Championnat du monde de courses de chiens, Yellowknife; Carnaval du caribou; **24 juin**, Tournoi de golf de minuit, Yellowknife; **1er juil.**, Célébration de danses indiennes et esquimaudes au soleil de minuit et feu d'artifice conçu spécialement pour le jour.

## Colombie-Britannique

L'année du Centenaire sera marquée par de multiples manifestations sportives, manœuvres navales, fêtes populaires, festivals des arts, etc., dans toutes les villes de la province; en voici quelques-uns:

**3 juin**, Régates internationales de canotage et de voile, Bal du Centenaire, Shawinigan Lake; **1er juil.**, Inauguration du jardin de la Confédération, Victoria; **14-20 juil.**, Rassemblement naval du Centenaire, Victoria; **juil.-août**, courses de canots, classe Hydro, toutes catégories, Kelowna; **8-12 août**, 4e Tournoi de Golf du Commonwealth, Victoria Golf Club; **9-12 août**, Régates internationales, Kelowna; **14-19 août**, Championnats amateurs de golf du Canada, Colwood Golf Club, Victoria; **19 août-4 sept.**,

Foire Nationale du Pacifique, Vancouver; **25-27 août**, Festival des Arts d'Okanagan, Kelowna; **23 sept.**, Rugby, Angleterre contre Colombie-Britannique, Vancouver.

## Alberta

**9 juin**, Symphonie de Melbourne, Edmonton; **15-17 juin**, Festival de musique d'Alberta, Calgary; **3 juil.-12 août**, Festival d'été de l'école des Beaux-Arts de Banff, concerts, récitals et théâtre, Banff; **6-15 juil.**, Stampede du Centenaire, Calgary; **19-23 juil.**, Journées indiennes de Banff; **20-29 juil.**, Journées du Klondike, Edmonton; **29-30 juil.**, Quatrième derby annuel des vieilles voitures canadiennes, Hinton; **30 juil.**, Championnat de golf junior, Red Deer; **31 juil.-1er août**, Rodeo, Jasper; **17 août**, Spectacle aéronautique international, Red Deer; **14-19 août**, Festival du maïs du Centenaire, Medicine Hat; **19 août**, Derby canadien du gouverneur général, Edmonton.

## Saskatchewan

**1er juin**, Spectacle des Explorateurs en canoë, Lloydminster; **13 juin**, Nuit de gala aux étoiles, Regina; **14 juin-15 juil.**, Jamboree des danses carrées du Centenaire; **26 juin-1er juil.**, Pioneer (époque des pionniers), Saskatoon.

## SCEPTRES ET COURONNES

Reines, rois et chefs d'Etat vont visiter le Canada et l'Expo 67 en grand nombre en cette année du Centenaire. Sa Majesté la Reine prononcera une allocution au Parlement le **1er juillet** à Ottawa et présidera à certaines cérémonies marquant le centenaire de la Confédération. En compagnie du prince Philip, elle se rendra, à bord du yacht royal Britannia, à l'Expo 67 qu'elle visitera le **3 juillet**.

La reine mère visitera les provinces de l'Atlantique à bord du Britannia pendant les trois dernières semaines de juillet. La princesse Alexandra et son mari M. Angus Ogilvie visiteront l'Expo le **8 juin**.

Soixante chefs d'Etat viendront au Canada pendant l'été parmi lesquels le président de Gaule, M. Harold Wilson, premier ministre de Grande-Bretagne, le premier ministre Fidel Castro de Cuba, la reine Juliana des

Pays-Bas, le roi Constantin de Grèce, le shah d'Iran et le président d'Israël, M. Zalman Shazar. •

## CARROUSEL DE LA GENDARMERIE



Ceux qui ont vu le Carrousel de la Gendarmerie royale ont le goût de le revoir. Ils en auront l'occasion cette année car la Gendarmerie donnera son spectacle dans 21 villes du Canada du début de juin jusqu'en novembre, au Royal Winter Fair de Toronto. Voici où l'on pourra voir le Carrousel à proximité du Québec: **14-15 juil.**, Fredericton; **18-19 juil.**, Charlottetown; **21-24 juil.**, Halifax; **25 juil.**, Sydney, N.-E.; **28-29 juil.**, St. Jean; **31 juil.**, Grand Falls, T.-N.; **1er-2 août**, Corner Brook, T.-N.; **6-8 août**, Québec; **9-16 août**, Ottawa; **18-26 août**, CNE (Foire nationale du Canada), Toronto; **29 août-11 sept.**, Ottawa; **15-26 sept.**, Expo 67, Montréal; **10-18 nov.**, Royal Winter Fair, Toronto.

## Manitoba

**30 juin-3 juil.**, Festival de la truite du Centenaire, Flin Flon; **22 juil.-7 août**, Jeux panaméricains, Winnipeg. (Les concours panaméricains de piste et pelouse auront lieu du **29 juillet au 5 août**; quant aux autres sports, voici les dates des épreuves: **24-27 juil.**, lutte; **24-28 juil.**, gymnastique; **24-29 juil.**, hockey sur pelouse; **24-30 juil.**, yachting; **24-31 juil.**, tir; **24 juil.-2 août**, tennis; **24 juil.-3 août**, escrime, football; **24 juil.-5 août**, basket-ball, natation; **25-31 juil.**, **24 août**, volley-ball; **25-31 juil.**, bicyclette; **27-31 juil.**, haltérophilie, hippisme; **29-31 juil.**, canoë; **31 juil.-3 août**, judo; **1-5 août**, boxe; **3-5 août**, canotage.)

## Ontario

**30 mai-1er juin**, Chœur de l'Armée Rouge, Ottawa; **juin**, Exposition de la Galerie Nationale, 300 ans de chefs-d'œuvre de l'art au Canada, Ottawa; **juin-5 sept.**, Son et lumière, l'histoire de la naissance du Canada racontée par le son et la lumière dans un amphithéâtre donnant sur les édifices du Parlement, Ottawa; Exposition de sculpture canadienne à l'Hôtel de Ville, Toronto; **12 juin-mi-oct.**, Festival de Stratford; **10-11 juin**, Cinquantième anniversaire de l'aviation militaire, Ottawa; **16 juin**, Orchestre de Philadelphie, Thomas Schippers, chef d'orchestre, Ottawa; **16-18 juin**, Exposition canine internationale, Kingston; **17 juin**, Epreuves de canotage des jeux panaméricains, St. Catharines; **24 juin-5 juil.**, Jardin des roses du Centenaire en fleurs, Hamilton; **25 juin-5 sept.**, Relève de la garde devant les édifices du Parlement et la résidence du gouverneur général, Ottawa; **30 juin**, Bal costumé du Centenaire, Ottawa; **1er juil.**, Courses de canoë et de canotage, Toronto; **1er-3 juil.**, Célébration du jour de la Confédération, Ottawa; **19-22 juil.**, Régates Royal Canadian Henley, St. Catharines; **29 juil. - 12 août**, Championnat de tir du Dominion, Ottawa; **2-5 août**, Randonnées du Centenaire, Club des vieilles voitures, Ottawa à Montréal; **2-16 août**, Spectacle du Centenaire sur la colline du Parlement, sous la direction de Sir Tyrone Guthrie, Ottawa; **4-18 août**, Championnat mondial de voile, classe *Lightning*, Toronto; **7-12 août**, Régates du Centenaire, courses mondiales de canotage, St. Catharines; **10-19 août**, Concours de tir de la Dominion of Canada Rifle Association, Ottawa; **11, 12, 18, 19 août**, Manifestations des Indiens des Six Nations, Higgerville; **14-17 août**, Championnat de tennis Canadian Open, Ottawa; **16-18 août**, Championnat mondial de yachting, Navy League Sea Cadet, Kingston; **18 août-4 sept.**, Canadian National Exhibition, la grande foire de Toronto; **28 août-4 sept.**, Championnat mondial de voile, classe *Dragon*, trophée John Foster Dulles, Toronto; **1er-30 sept.**, Jardin des roses du Centenaire, Hamilton; **1er-3 sept.**, Tournois de golf senior canadien et international, Ottawa; **1er-4 sept.**, Championnat du monde de golf Carling, Toronto; "le plus grand spectacle au golf": \$200,000; **15 sept.-14 oct.**, Saison de la Canadian Opera Company, Toronto; les *Contes d'Hoffman*, *Il Trovatore*, *Madame Butterfly*,

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Exhibition, Fredericton; Sept. 13, Re-enactment of Indian treaty of 1768, Saint John; Sept. 15-18, NB-PEI Open Golf Tournament, Fundy National Park, Alma; Sept. 18-21, National Police Convention, Moncton; Fall 1967, Ten Decades-Ten Painters 1867-1967, Saint John; Sept. 24, Fort Howe Treaty Observance, Saint John; Late September, Théâtre du Rideau Vert, Moncton; Sept. 26-28, Around The Bend Revue, Moncton.

## MILITARY TATTOO

One of the most stirring of spectacles, the military tattoo, will be performed at 45 places across Canada during Centennial year:

March 31-April 1, Peterborough, Ont.; April 7-8, Kingston, Ont.; April 13-14, Barrie, Ont.; April 15-16, Sarnia, Ont.; April 17-20, Windsor, Ont.; April 21-23, London, Ont.; April 24-26, Kitchener, Ont.; April 27-28, Sudbury, Ont.; April 29-30, Sault Ste. Marie, Ont.; May 2-3, Brandon, Man.; May 4-6, Regina; May 9-10, Lethbridge, Alta.; May 11-13, Calgary; May 15, Kelowna, BC; April

first-time visitors (Nova Scotia, and the other Maritime provinces are expecting two visitors for every resident can take their choice of places to visit and find themselves involved in pageantry (often with the populace garbed in the clothing of a century ago); street dances, sailing races, dory races, barbecues, firemen's picnics, carnivals, music festivals, Highland games, fishing derbies, military parades... in fact, one Centennial official described Nova Scotia's celebration plans as "everything that can be done within the bounds of legality."

Nova Scotia is concentrating its Centennial celebrations in the summer months, which makes it more convenient for the visitor to list the province's program by location, followed by dates of the special local celebrations and of additional attractions where they apply.

**HALIFAX: June 21-26**, Centennial Atlantic naval assembly of 40 Canadian and foreign warships, with naval parades, concerts, fireworks and illuminations; **Aug. 24-27**, Nova Scotia Folk Festival and Highland games.

**PUGWASH: July 1**, with the "gathering of the clans" as an added attraction.

**ST. ANN'S, Aug. 7-12**, featuring the Gaelic Mod, one of Canada's largest Scottish festivals.

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For Verdun Teachers

## Centennia

If she had her way, Wendy Teichmann — a Verdun teacher — would be high forever.

"You just don't know how it is on top. It's exciting and beautiful and you feel sorry for the people in the valley."

Wendy is one of three women mountain climbers chosen to plant Canada's Centennial Flag atop unclimbed peaks to celebrate Centennial Year.

The mountains — 13 of them — are in the Yukon Territories in unexplored Arctic wastes.

"What really excites me about this really is that we're going into a part of Canada that hadn't been closely mapped until the centennial commission sent people up there to select 13 mountains for us to climb for the first time in history."

### The Climb Starts In July

According to Mrs. Teichmann, 13 teams of four mountaineers each will meet at Klusane Lake in the Yukon in the first week of July. Apart from herself and the two other women, the climbers will be men from all parts of Canada and the U.S.

The climbers will be given rations for three weeks and dropped off next to their respective peaks by government helicopters.

"There's to be no competition with the American teams; we're being integrated and will work together," she said.

Naturally, climbing isn't new to the linguistics specialist at Verdun High School.

Originally a resident of British Columbia, she says she grew up on mountains. "First it was skiing and then in the summers it became climbing."

Aside from the physical exercise, she maintains that the intellectual challenge is in itself rewarding.

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# Climbing a Thrill Challenge for Her

Germany 30 years ago, has modern lettering. In her native wood pressing boards, an old foot paper cutter, plywood beddings, marble slabs, brass finishing tools, gold-leaf, and other equipment as a Her basement workshop industrialist S. T. Fisher. and for the renowned Shake-Oster and Redpath libraries a work for McGill University's author does most of her complain if they have to pay 10 or \$15 for restoration of a look for which they ought-ally paid only \$6.50," she says. "They don't realize that sometimes 15 or 20 hours of labor go into the repair of an item volume." Mrs. Stern, who earned the right to call herself a master bookbinder in her native Montreal, has earned the title of "bookbinder" in the past.

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# 633 Mountain Climbing a Thrill As Well as Challenge for Her

By DORIS GILLER

Of course she's climbing it because it's there. Doesn't everybody?

But then, there's the thrill, the challenge and the opportunity to be first to assault 11,387-foot Mount Saskatchewan in the Yukon.

Andrea Rankin, a former high school French teacher, "I never thought of it as a 40-year career, merely a four-year career," is a member of the only four-woman team, amongst thirteen, taking part in the Yukon Alpine Centennial Expedition.

The mountains — 13 of them — are in the Yukon. Ten represent the provinces; one is the Centennial peak; one the North West Territories; and one is the Good Neighbor peak, to be climbed by a team of Canadian and American climbers.

"It's exciting because this is the first time it's ever been done and we have to do our own routes," said the climber who started the sport four years ago, attending school in Lake O'Hara, near Lake Louise, and climbing one mountain a day.

"It's a mental exercise as well as a physical exercise," she explained her interest. "You have to decide on the route, size up the situation, decide if the slope is safe enough to cross and whether the weather will hold up. I guess it's a question of judgment."

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route to take and how to do it, we'll be okay.

"Besides, in a mixed

group, the men are usually faster and the women tend to hold them back. It's just as well we're together, we'll do it in our own time."

Miss Rankin claims climbers don't set out to conquer a mountain or summit.

"We trek up and sit on the summit and look at the view. Then we come down."

But that's after they set up the cairn — a metal box listing the names of the climbers and marking the summit for future climbers and future names.

Pleased that she's been assigned to climb Mount Saskatchewan, because Saskatchewan is her home province, Miss Rankin hopes to stay on after the Centennial expedition to do some climbing of her own.

"It completely thrills me and I'll do it until I fall down a crevice," she laughed.

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### Mountain Climbing Is Enjoyed

VANCOUVER (CP)—At five-foot-three and 133 pounds, Gertrude Smith looks more like a school teacher than a mountaineer.

And five days a week she is a teacher, at David Livingstone elementary school in Vancouver.

It's on those other two days, and on holidays, that she climbs mountains.

For 20 years she has been enjoying her hobby—"mainly to get away from the rat race"—and now she has been chosen to climb a mountain to celebrate Centennial Year.

Miss Smith, a former Londoner, has been assigned to conquer an unexplored Far Northern peak. She will lead an all-female team up 11,387-foot Mount Saskatchewan in the St. Elias Range on the British Columbia-Yukon border.

Thirteen other teams will climb 13 other peaks in the area. All teams will plant Canada's centennial flag atop their mountains.

Miss Smith applied to the centennial commission at Christmas to be one of the climbers and figures she was picked because of her experience.

That includes a recent climb of Switzerland's Matterhorn which "went with the greatest of ease."

For the centennial climb, she and three other women will be flown about July 15 to within a few miles of a base camp where other climbing mountains in the area will make their headquarters. They'll then decide when to start climbing.

Pointe Claire Lakeshore  
News & Chronicle, Que.  
May 4, 1967

#### CLIMBING FOR 1967

VANCOUVER, B.C. (CP)—The Alpine Club of Canada is looking for ~~adventurers~~ to scale unclimbed mountains in the Yukon as a Centennial project. One national group and 13 four-man teams will be chosen. The peaks, 10,000 to 12,500 feet in height, will be named for Canada's 10 provinces and two territories.

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FLYING IN THE GAS: Supplies of aircraft fuel for this summer's Yukon Alpine Centennial Expeditions are being flown in to base camps and upper camps by local pilots. This picture taken by Dwayne Backstrom recently, shows the gas drums in place at one of the high camps, near Steele Glacier, which is out of sight at left. Pilot Lloyd Ryder of Great Northern Airways flew the trip.



RECENT VIEW OF STEELE GLACIER: This bird's eye view shows "The Galloping Glacier" which made headlines last year with its rapid rate of movement in the Yukon. The Yukon's Alpine Expedition which is attracting Centennial teams from every part of Canada to climb and name peaks for their home provinces, will be working in this area.

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Whitewood Herald, Sask.  
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### Climbers to try Mount Sask's side

Will Klein, executive director of the Sask. Centennial Corp., recently announced the names of four women who will climb Mount Saskatchewan in the St. Elias mountain range as part of the Yukon Alpine Centennial expedition.

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NIX TO NWT ENTRY IN  
MOUNTAIN CLIMB

The only resident member on the Northwest Territories team for the Yukon Alpine Centennial Climbing Expedition, Brian Kregorsky, said last week that he has received word of his removal from the team and thus will not be participating in the climb of "Mount N.W.T." in the Yukon next month.

The news was received from the Alpine Club of Canada, who, after a reconsideration of their previous decision reversed their selection of Mr. Kregosky. The reason for this is understood to be the lack of specific ice climbing experience. Mr. Kregosky said in the light of this announcement, "It is with much personal regret that I cannot represent the Northwest Territories in this Centennial Expedition."

Climbers from all over the States and Canada will be climbing 14 Yukon peaks.



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Yorkton Enterprise, Sask.  
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The project is being co-ordinated by the Alpine Club of Canada, with support from the Centennial Commission, the Fitness and Amateur Sports Division of the Department of National Health and Welfare, the Yukon Territorial Government, the Provinces of Saskatchewan, Quebec and Newfoundland and the North West Territories.

## Just a minute



by HELEN PALMER

This seems to be an unlikely part of the country to produce mountain climbers, but some of the best in Canada live here and belong to the Toronto branch of the Alpine Club. There are 56 of them involved in the club's centennial project to be held this summer in the Elias range of the Rockies in the Yukon, near the Alaska border.

They keep in shape by climbing in this area. The Toronto club owns a property on Mazinow Lake, 190 miles northeast of here which has a high rocky cliff. The Niagara escarpment near Milton provides a practice area, and on long weekends members often go up to Mont Tremblant in the Laurentians, or down to New York or Vermont.

During the summer most of them head for the Rockies—and getting there is the most expensive part of what is not a costly hobby.

For people who are not too ambitious and just want to climb, for example, in the area around Lake Louise, the requisites are a good pair of climbing boots, which cost \$30 to \$40, and a good nylon rope, which costs about \$20. With proper care they last practically forever.

### LAST MAN'S JOB

The more ambitious climbers with a more varied technique who plan long climbs will need tents, pegs, a hammer and clips.

The centennial project is a three-phase operation. In the first, which starts late in June, 52 Canadian climbers, in 13 teams of four, will try to reach the summits of 13 un-

climbed peaks. One of these will be called the Centennial peak, 10 will be named for the provinces and two will be named for the territories.

The second phase will be an attempt by four Canadian and four U.S. climbers to reach the top of still another peak, close to the Alaska border which will be called the Good Neighbor peak.

The third phase, which involves 300 members of the Alpine Club of Canada, will be operated from a rendezvous at Steele's Glacier. Many hitherto unclimbed mountains will be attempted by the members. In all cases the mountains are so remote that the climbers are going to be taken in by helicopter.

### CLIMBERS PAY FEES

It will cost \$250,000, so a lot of people have had to chip in to make it possible. Everyone who climbs must pay a fee.

In addition, the Centennial Commission, the fitness and amateur division of the Department of Health and Welfare, the Yukon and North West Territories governments, as well as Quebec, Newfoundland, Saskatchewan, Ontario, B.C. and Alberta have contributed.

Alpine Club of Canada's Eastern vice-president, Toronto's David Fisher, is co-ordinating the effort.

Each of the men in the 14-peak assault will carry 60 pounds of equipment. Aerial photographs indicate Mount Ontario is 12,220 feet high and the Centennial peak about 100 feet higher.

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### 633 Kluane Growing Scientific Centre

There will be at least 39 scientists and graduate students carrying on research out of the Kluane Lake Icefield Ranges Research station this summer.

Dr. Walter Wood, head of the American Geographical Society which operates the Icefield project said today his group will be working closely with the Yukon's Alpine Centennial Climbers by flying mountaineers in to Good Neighbour Peak about the 15th of June, and by acting as a central point for radio communication to and from the climbers' camps.

Meteorological data will also be passed along to the climbers from the Department of Transport weather forecasts at Whitehorse.

Dr. Wood has been assisting in the planning of the Centennial climbs, which will see a dozen St. Elias peaks named for Canadian provinces, plus a Centennial Peak and the US-Canadian Good Neighbour Peak.

Steele Glacier will be the centre of interest for a number of scientists this summer, who

are hoping to study the "Gallop ing Glacier" in the St. Elias range before it makes another surge. At present, Dr. Wood said, the glacier is moving about 400 feet per month, and has slowed down considerably since last summer's surge.

Dr. Wood noted that the St. Elias Range offers the one central area for such study in the world, since surging glaciers do not occur in the Alps, and only sporadically in the Andes.

One interesting study at Kluane this summer will concentrate on the lake terraces, to determine the early history of the lake. Other subjects listed by the researchers working out of the Kluane base camp include geography, glaciology, air turbulence, phytogeography, small mammals, plant ecology, limnology, ornithology, microclimatology, geomorphology, geophysics and stream morphology.

The Arctic Institute of North America is co-sponsor of the Icefield station.

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Why do the beavers build a dam.

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To Each A Mountain

In this windy and chilly spring, summer seems a long way off. My mind is more attuned, at the moment, to the ice and biting cold of the Yukon where the four Atlantic Provinces will be "given" each a mountain.

Mt. Prince Edward Island is 12,262 feet; Mt. Newfoundland is 12,041 feet; Mt. New Brunswick is 11,114 feet and Mt. Nova Scotia is 10,800 feet.

The mountains will be climbed and named by members of the Yukon Alpine Centennial Expedition, known briefly as YACE. The climbers have received financial support from the Centennial Commission; Yukon Territorial Government; Department of National Health and Welfare; the Fitness and Amateur Sport Program; the Province of Quebec; the Province of Newfoundland and the Northwest Territories. It's an undertaking of this size.

In all, twelve previously unclimbed peaks will be scaled and named after a province or a territory. The peaks are part of the

St. Elias icefield ranges, which rival the Himalayas and Central Andes in their grandeur.

### No Finer Gift

The expedition has been planned by outdoor clubs and enthusiastic Yukoners. Craig Hughes of Whitehorse thought of the idea a few years ago. He later advised the Centennial Committee that the Yukon had no finer gift than her mountains.

Unknown to him, and about the same time, Dr. Fred Roots, who appropriately enough works at the Federal Department of Energy, (and perhaps I should add, Mines and Resources) and is the Canadian Alpine Club's Centennial Co-ordinator, was asked whether the Centenary could not be celebrated by climbing mountains? He said: yes.

Finally Craig Hughes and Dr. Fred Roots met. The outcome was YACE.

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### 633 MOUNTAINEER'S TO START GREAT CLIMB

Twenty-eight British Columbia and Alberta residents are among the 60 mountain climbers selected to form teams to attempt first ascent of thirteen peaks with the Yukon Alpine Centennial Expedition this summer. An approximate total of 320 mountaineering enthusiasts will take part in the Expedition as climbing team or camp members.

The Expedition, unique in the history of mountain-climbing and Canadian sports, is receiving \$25,000 backing from the Centennial Commission, and further financial support from the fitness and amateur sports division of the Federal Department of Health and Welfare, the Yukon territorial government, the provinces of Quebec and Newfoundland and the Northwest Territories.

The Expedition, consisting of twelve teams of four men each and one four-woman group, will make the attempts in the Centennial area of the St. Elias Range in the Yukon.

Following the climbs, the peaks will be named after provinces and territories, with the thirteenth and highest to be named Centennial Peak. A fourteenth team, made up of four Canadians and four Americans, will try a first ascent of a major unclimbed summit on the Yukon-Alaska border, to be named Good Neighbor Peak.

This climb will commemorate two centennials: Canadian Confederation and the purchase of Alaska from Russia by the U.S.

The event is being co-ordinated by the Alpine Club of Canada, and will start June 19 with the Yukon-Alaska border climb. Centennial range climbs will start July 8, and a third phase, establishment of two general camps near Steele Glacier, will start July 15. Each camp will accommodate 115 climbers.

Each of the mountaineers taking part will pay his own way to the staging area at Kluane Lake in the Yukon and will pay a further fee to help cover the cost of the \$1.4 million project.

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### CENTENNIAL

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which Mr. and Mrs. [Name] are invited to participate in the amount of friendship that has occurred. Difficulties of organization embraces people who miles apart might be mountaineers.

At the very beginning arose among members of the Club of Canada. The average people are of the pleasures of a mountain camp as the gift to the country. Tossed as far back as expenses were incurred Canadian Centennial interested and, while sent the idea to the pinists met a delegation headed by lawyer [Name] had sparked a similar plan to invite climbs Ranges. With no 1 groups joined forces. Yukon Alpine Centennial was born.

Inevitably the plan event demanded that preparations must be had. knew the technical matters as well as the organization of YAC. shoulders of the camp the Alpine Club of time has YACE been thing but a widely-b

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number of modern shopping centres.

Mr. Businessman, wouldn't you and your wife like to get away from it all for a while? C'mon, let's go to the Beautiful Sunshine Coast. We travel west on Georgia Street, over the Lions Gate Bridge, the Upper Levels Highway and on to Horseshoe Bay. We board the Langdale Queen. A blast of the horn and we're off. The salt air is a welcome change. The scenery — out of this world. Hard to believe we left Vancouver only half an hour ago.

Upon arriving at Langdale 45 minutes later, we plan to go to Gibsons. But no, that can wait. B.C. Ferries now offers a service to Keats Island from Langdale. Let's go! The trip is only ten minutes. To describe the beauty and mood is impossible. There are no roads, only trails, no houses, only cottages. It's a wonderful place to take one's ease and have a picnic.

In Gibsons we rent a 'putt-putt' and go fishing off Gower Point, a couple of miles away. In the distance we can see Vancouver Island. A fisherman calls out, 'Any luck?' Proudly we use our hands in the characteristic manner to describe our catch. Maybe we exaggerate a little. It's so tension-releasing just to bob up and down with a fish pole in your hands. We mutually agree that this has got to be the life!

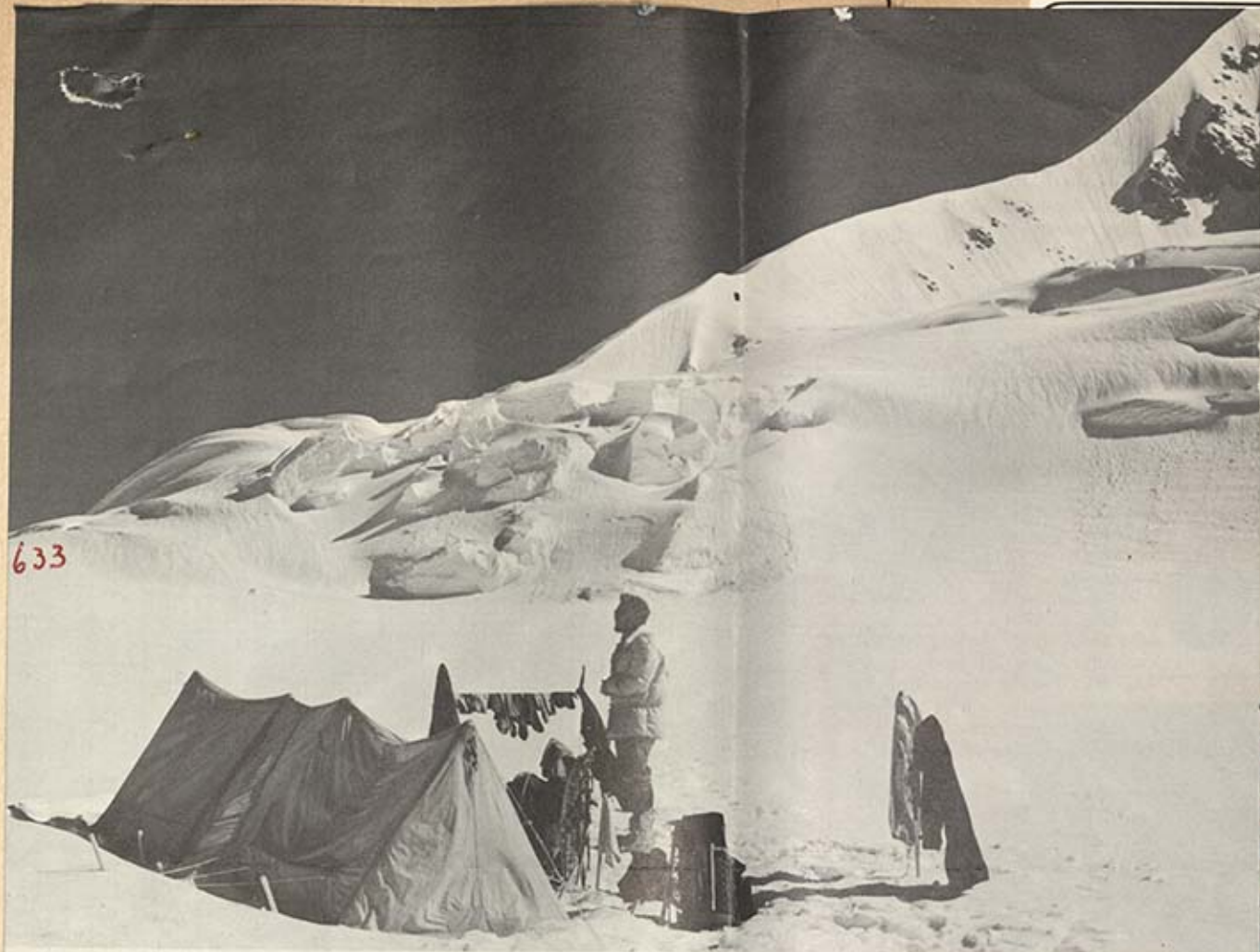
Next day we decide to go up to Sechelt, 16 miles away. There are many diversions. The trip takes all day. Places such as Roberts Creek, Wilson Creek, Davis Bay and Selma Park all provide a variety of striking scenery. In Sechelt we look at such landmarks as the little church, 'Our Lady of Lourdes,' situated on the waterfront off the Indian village.

The day after, we travel on our final journey to Earls Cove, but again it takes a long time. The scenery changes quite drastically. In the Pender Harbour area one often sees awe-inspiring arboreal trees growing through the crevices of the rocks. Down below, large yachts from the U.S. and Canada are seen drifting lazily in the many fjords. Naturally we go fishing again!

Unfortunately, all good things must come to an end. However, we are rested up and ready to go back to the city and the usual routine. Yet from now on things will look brighter in the sure knowledge that only 1 1/2 hours away lies our retreat, the Beautiful Sunshine Coast.

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High camp on 14,780-foot Mt. Walsh, in St. Elias Range. (M. E. Alford Photo)

## Yukon Alpine Centennial Expedition

By JOAN GREENWOOD

IF YOU'VE ever wanted to head your car north to Robert Service's land where 'the mountains are nameless and the rivers all run God knows where,' or if you've wanted to see the kind of country that has produced the world-famous Galloping Steele Glacier which crashes its way forward as much as 50 feet a day — now's the time to do it!

1967 is the year of the Yukon Alpine Centennial Expedition to the St. Elias Icefield Ranges, less than 200 miles from Whitehorse, Y.T. The expedition was conceived in honor of Canada's 100th birthday and this June sixty hand-picked mountaineers will climb 14 unnamed peaks in the Centennial Range and christen them on behalf of our 10 provinces and two territories. In addition, there will be an assault on the 12,321-foot Centennial Peak and a Canadian-American attack on the 15,700-foot

Good Neighbor on the Yukon-Alaska border.

While it is unlikely that the average motorist will be able to watch, even with field glasses, the progress of the mountaineers who brave unpredictable storms, hidden crevasses, thin air and all the hazards of high-altitude climbing in order to accomplish this magnificent Centennial project, there will undoubtedly be a feeling of excitement in the air all the way to Mile 1064 on the shores of Kluane Lake.

Special base camps and staging camps will be set up at road level for the personnel of the expedition — usually known as YACE — but visitors need have no particular fear of running out of accommodation in the traditionally spacious and tourist-conscious Yukon Territory. And if the mountain scenery includes a helicopter or two, flying es-

sential supplies into glacier camps, checking weather conditions or bringing out climbers and equipment, this will only add interest. The realization that men and women are pitting their strength and experience against the unknown fastnesses of these mountains, whose only rivals in grandeur are the Himalayas or the Central Andes, will make us all even more proud of our country.

Whitehorse itself is easily reached by automobile via Dawson Creek, B.C., and the Alaska Highway; or by ferry service from Vancouver and other southerly points to Skagway or Haines, Alaska. From Haines a direct drive of about 150 miles leads to the staging area near Kluane Lake.

Perhaps the most appealing point about this Centennial celebration, in  
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## Expédition alpine par 9 Québécois

Neuf citoyens de la province de Québec prendront part à l'expédition alpine qui débutera le 8 juillet, à la frontière de l'Alaska et du Yukon. La conquête de treize pics par autant d'équipes de quatre alpinistes aura lieu dans le cadre des fêtes du Centenaire de la Confédération. C'est un événement sans précédent dans l'histoire de l'alpinisme et du sport au Canada.

Les équipes du Club alpin du Canada représenteront les dix provinces, les Territoires du Nord-Ouest et du Yukon ainsi que le Canada. Les membres de l'équipe du Québec seront: Claude Lavallée, de Saint-Bruno; Denis Gravel, de Montréal; Peter A. Reardon, de Montréal, et Peter W. Hutchins, de Montréal. Cinq autres alpinistes du Québec feront partie d'autres équipes: Jean Robert Weber, de Pointe-Gatineau (le Pic du Centenaire); le Dr Patrick Douglas Baird, de Mont-Saint-Hilaire (le Mont Nord-Ouest); Maurice A. Tyler, de Baie d'Urfé (le Mont Nouvelle-Ecosse); Mlle Andrea Joanna Rankin et Mme Wendy Farris Teichmann, de Montréal (le Mont Saskatchewan).

Chaque équipe donnera à la montagne conquise le nom de la province ou du territoire qu'elle représente. Le mont le plus élevé sera applé "Pic du Centenaire". A partir du 19 juin, un quatorzième pic sera escaladé par une équipe canado-américaine et sera nommé "Pic du bon voisinage". L'ascension de cette montagne commémorera deux centenaires: celui de la constitution canadienne et celui de l'achat par les Etats-Unis de l'Alaska à la Russie.

Cet exploit aura pour théâtre la chaîne de montagnes Saint-Elias, la plus élevée au monde après les Andes et les Himalayas et l'une des dernières dont les sommets n'aient encore été conquis.

La Commission du Centenaire a accordé une subvention de \$25,000 à l'expédition qui recevra en outre une aide financière du service des sports amateurs et d'aptitude physique du ministère fédéral de la Santé et du Bien-Etre, ainsi que des gouvernements du Québec, de Terre-Neuve, du Yukon et des Territoires du Nord-Ouest.

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## CENTENNIAL EXPEDITION

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which Mr. and Mrs. Every Canadian are invited to participate vicariously, is the amount of friendliness and cooperation that has occurred. Without this, the difficulties of organizing an event that embraces people who live thousands of miles apart might have proved insurmountable.

At the very beginning the general idea arose among members of the Alpine Club of Canada. They wanted to give average people an opportunity to share the pleasures of a professionally run mountain camp as the club's Centennial gift to the country. This project was discussed as far back as 1958. However, the expenses were insuperable. Then the Canadian Centennial Committee became interested and, while in Ottawa to present the idea to the Committee, the Alpinists met a delegation from the Yukon headed by lawyer Craig Hughes who had sparked a similar but more specific plan to invite climbers to the St. Elias Ranges. With no hesitation the two groups joined forces and YACE, the Yukon Alpine Centennial Expedition, was born.

Inevitably the planning of any such event demanded that much of the preparations must be handled by those who knew the technical aspects and the dangers as well as the rewards. Thus the organization of YACE fell largely on the shoulders of the capable volunteers in the Alpine Club of Canada, but at no time has YACE been visualized as anything but a widely-based Canadian pro-

ject. At all levels a cross-section of people have been proud to be invited to help as organizers or honored to be asked to participate in the camps and climbs.

As a practical demonstration of YACE's philosophy that the pleasure should be as widespread as possible, there are to be two General Camps after the 14 assaults are completed. These, also, will be attended by top climbers as well as those with less experience, with special consideration for Youth Groups, and although a total of 200 people can be accommodated, applications soon flooded the selection committee and the quota for this, too, was easily filled.

To help finance the nearly quarter-million cost of an expedition as many-faceted and all-embracing as YACE, each participant accepts responsibility for his or her transportation to Whitehorse or Kluane Lake and pays a fairly substantial registration fee. Generous financial support has also been received from the Centennial Commission, the Fitness and Amateur Sports Division of the Department of National Health and Welfare, the Yukon Territorial Government, the Provinces of Quebec and Newfoundland, and the Northwest Territories.

All this makes 1967 a big year among the big mountains, and many tourists will feel an extra thrill when they stare up at the jagged crests of the Icefield Ranges and know that at least fourteen of those almost inaccessible peaks have been climbed and named in 'the land that God forgot.'

Davis Day and Selma Park all provide a variety of striking scenery. In Sechelt we look at such landmarks as the little church, 'Our Lady of Lourdes,' situated on the waterfront off the Indian village.

The day after, we travel on our final journey to Earls Cove, but again it takes a long time. The scenery changes quite drastically. In the Pender Harbour area one often sees awe-inspiring arbutus trees growing through the crevices of the rocks. Down below, large yachts from the U.S. and Canada are seen drifting lazily in the many fiords. Naturally we go fishing again!

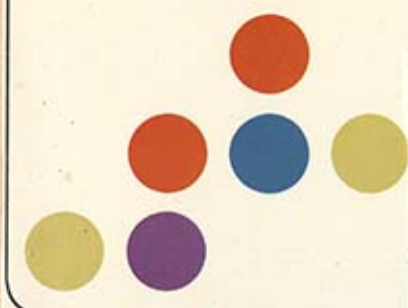
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<i>June</i>	Dawson City Homecoming	Dawson City
<i>June</i>	Guided tours through S.S. Keno and Palace Grand Theatre	Dawson City
<i>June 6-9</i>	Royal Canadian Regiment Band Concerts	Whitehorse, Dawson City, Watson Lake
<i>June 8, 15, 22, 29</i>	Film Festival	Whitehorse
<i>June 15</i>	Fashion Show	Whitehorse
<i>June 25-Aug. 17</i>	Old-time entertainment at Palace Grand Theatre	Dawson City
<i>June 30</i>	Carmacks Fishing Derby	Frenchman or Twin Lakes

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CLIMBER LES McDONALD . . . practice at Point Atkinson

—Dan Scott Photo

## High-Altitude Electrician Joins Unique Alpine Climb

One month ago, Les McDonald was dangling precariously from a 100-foot tower in Surrey.

McDonald, of 1154 West Twenty-fourth, North Vancouver, was working on a B.C. Hydro substation, doing high-altitude wiring.

Two weeks hence, the slight, sandy-haired electrician will be up in the air again — this time on the side of a 15,700-foot mountain on the Yukon-Alaska border.

The 34-year-old expatriate Briton, who has conquered mountains in the Alps of Switzerland, Austria and Norway and scaled peaks in the French Pyrenees, is the only local member on Canada's team for a unique climb starting June 19.

He and three others — from Toronto, Calgary and Whitehorse — will join a four-man U.S. team to scale the pre-

viously-unclimbed Good Neighbor Peak.

### FIRST PART OF PROJECT

The international ascent of the international peak is phase one of the Yukon Alpine Centennial Climb, a government-backed project which will eventually involve 32 crack Canadian climbers.

Split into teams, the mountaineers will attempt to reach the summits of 13 peaks, all yet unnamed.

The climbers will dub 12 of the mountains with the names of the provinces and territories. The 13th and largest will be named Centennial Peak.

### 'NOT A PICNIC'

"At first I thought it would be a simple climb," he said today. "But the more I read and hear about the conditions up there, the tougher this project seems.

"There will be a terrible long walk and certainly more snow than I've ever run across before. This trip is not going to be a picnic."

McDonald says reach-for-the-top mountaineering is a thing of the past.

"About 50 years ago, it was customary to try to reach the summit," he said. "Today, the climbers lean toward conquering a cliff face or wall. This over-the-top stuff just isn't done any more."

But because the mountains

involved in the Centennial climb have never been scaled, the teams are going to go all the way up.

To keep in shape, McDonald and fellow members of the Alpine Club of Canada regularly clamber up a sheer cliff face that rises out of the water at Point Atkinson.

"To get involved in this kind of thing — and keep at it — I guess you have to be a little bit possessed," he said.

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ST. ELIAS MOUNTAINS, the location of the Centennial Range, where 52 top Canadian climbers will attempt first ascents of 13 peaks, in honor of Canada's Centennial. The highest peak will be named Centennial Peak, the other 12 peaks will be named after the 10 provinces and two territories.

## Canadian Climbers To Attempt To Reach Summits Of 13 Peaks

Fifty two top Canadian mountaineers will attempt to reach the summits of 13 peaks in the St. Elias Mountains, the highest of which will be named Centennial Peak; the other 12 peaks will be named after the Provinces and Territories.

The first phase of the Yukon Alpine Centennial expedition, the scaling of the mountain to be named Good Neighbour Peak, 15,700 ft., on the border between the Yukon and Alaska, will get under way on June 19. Four mountaineers from Canada and four from the United States will join to make this first ascent to celebrate the centennaries of the Confederation of Canada, and the purchase of the State of Alaska by the United States.

David Fisher, eastern vice president of the Alpine Club of Canada, and chief coordinator of the project, reports that final arrangements

for shipments of tentage, equipment and food have been made and headquarters of the expedition will be set up.

Arrangements for all radio equipment has been co-ordinated through the Arctic Institute of North America, which has a base at Klunne Lake.

All participants of the expedition will be flown to their

base camps, using fixed-wing aircraft and helicopters.

One of the most exciting and ambitious Centennial projects, the Yukon Alpine Centennial expedition, will start on June 19, with the Good Neighbour Peak climb, and will terminate on Aug. 14, when the last group of climbers will leave the general camp.

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Dans le cadre de ces fêtes, le territoire du Yukon, en collaboration avec le club Alpin du Canada, organise une grande expédition alpine qui débutera le 17 juin pour se terminer à la fin du mois d'août. Le ministre responsable du Centenaire au Québec, Me Yves Gabis, a octroyé une somme de \$2,000 pour la réalisation de ce projet...

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## Au Parlement

(J.D.) — Aujourd'hui, 17 juin, le premier ministre, M. Daniel Johnson, rendra visite au délégué du président de la République de Corée, M. Doo-Sun-Choi, ainsi qu'à son épouse, dans leurs appartements du Château Frontenac. Par la suite, vers 10 h. 30, les délégations coréenne et québécoise se rendront à l'hôtel de ville de Québec, où ils seront reçus par les autorités municipales. M. Doo-Sun-Choi, qui est le neuvième chef d'Etat ou représentant de chef d'Etat à se rendre en visite officielle à Québec à l'invitation du gouvernement, quittera la capitale, vers 11 h. 30, à l'Aéroport de l'Ancienne-Lorette, pour se diriger vers Toronto.

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### EXPEDITION ALPINE

Cinquante-six alpinistes du Canada prendront part, du 19 juin prochain à la fin d'août, à une expédition alpine unique en son genre sur le territoire du Yukon, dans le cadre des fêtes du Centenaire de la Confédération.

Les participants, divisés en 14 équipes, graviront ainsi treize nouveaux pics, chacun portant le nom d'une des provinces et des territoires du Canada, le treizième portant le nom de "Centenaire". Le "Mont Québec" aura, pour sa part, une altitude de 12,300 pieds. L'expédition a été rendue possible grâce à l'initiative de l'avocat Craig Hughes du Yukon et aussi à la participation financière de plusieurs organismes, tant au niveau provincial que fédéral.

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**CHECKING THE GEAR:** With the high-climbing Helio-Courier aircraft which will carry them into the mountains standing in the background, members of the International Centennial Climbing Team make a last check of all the equipment they will take along, as they climb an unnamed peak on the border of Alaska-Yukon to commemorate their joint Centennial year. At left in check shirt is Monty Alford of Whitehorse, who is leader of the Canadian team of four, including Les McDonald of North Vancouver, Glen Boles of Calgary and

Dr. Allen Bruce-Robertson of Toronto. The four American climbers are John Hoeman, leader, Alaska, Daniel Davis, Seattle, John Williamson, New Hampshire and Dr. George Danton, Yale University. The party assembled their gear at Kluane Lake base camp and were flown the 70-mile 55 minute flight over the weekend to their mountain camp to begin the ascent. The new Helio, flown by Icefield Ranges Research pilot Phil Upton had landed at the 17,000 foot level of Mount Logan earlier in the day.

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### Timetable R-633 For Centennial Mountain Climbs

To keep things straight, here is a simplified breakdown of the events which make up the Yukon Alpine Centennial Expedition in the St. Elias Range this summer.

**FIRST PHASE:** To commemorate the joint Centenary of Alaska and Canada, a climb of GOOD NEIGHBOUR Peak by an international party of four U.S. and Canadian climbers.

Start: June 19, Finish, July 7. (Monty Alford of Whitehorse takes off today on that one).

**SECOND PHASE:** Ascent of Centennial Peaks to be climbed by 13 provincial and territorial parties of four each.

Start: July 8th. Finish July 22.

**THIRD PHASE:** Alpine Club of Canada Camp. Two successive periods of two weeks, accommodating a total of 230 climbers.

Start July 15. Ends August 12.

W. Campbell Ledingham, Alpine Club of Canada manager from Vancouver, has arrived in Whitehorse to complete arrangements and is working closely with Kurt Koken of the territorial committee. Mr. Ledingham will be general superintendent of the Centennial climb, making his headquarters at the Alpine base camp at Kluane Lake.

The Secretary of State, the Hon. Judy LaMarsh, will visit the general Centennial Camp of the Yukon Alpine Centennial Exhibition on July 19. Miss LaMarsh will pay a one-day visit to the more than 100 climbers staying at the camp, and will fly over the Centennial Range in the St. Elias Mountains, where 52 top Canadian mountaineers will attempt to reach the summits of 13 peaks, the highest of which will be named Centennial Peak; the other 12 will be named after the provinces and territories they represent.

The Yukon Alpine Centennial Expedition is supported financially by the Centennial Commission, the Fitness and Amateur Sports Directorate of the Department of National Health and Welfare, the Yukon Territorial Government, the Province of British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan, Ontario, Quebec, Newfoundland and the government of the Northwest Territories.

The mountaineers participating in the expedition will pay their own way to the staging area at Kluane Lake and will pay a fee to help meet the cost of the expedition, estimated at \$ 250,000.

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Ascent of peaks in the 22-

mile Centennial Range by 33 top Canadian climber begins July 7.

The packaging of dehydrated food and high altitude equipment began two weeks ago.

Phil Dostig, chairman of the Edmonton section, said it should be shipped to the expedition's general camp at Lake Labov, about 200 miles northwest of Whitehorse, by next Friday.

Working on a \$20,000 budget, the expedition will be outfitted with the best of equipment.

Everything necessary for the climb is being packaged and tagged in a vacant room at 12th Street and 19th Avenue. Even crutches.

A third phase of the expedition will start July 15 with the first of the two 14-day general camps.

Each camp will have a capacity of about 115 climbers who will ascend other mountains in the St. Elias range.

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## Mountain Peak Being Climbed For Centennial

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The Steele glacier was found some months ago to be moving at a spectacular—50 feet a day. Geologists are studying the glacier for clues to the source of its rapid movement.

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They are Mrs. Alex J. Norman, a publicist, Mrs. Brian Cook, a recent graduate of University of Toronto; Mrs. Alan Bruce-Robertson, wife of a doctor; Miss Ruth Page, a North York high school teacher; and Miss Caroline Tanner, a CBC employee.

They will be flown by

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Fourteen especially difficult mountains will be scaled by 13 teams of four and one team of eight. One team of four will be all female. Each mountain, hitherto unclimbed and unnamed will then be named after a Canadian province or territory.

Toronto men on the various climbs are Dr. R. M. Morland Roe (Mt. Newfoundland); James Worthington-White (Mt. Yukon); Helmut Microys and Alex J. Norman (Mt. Ontario); Stephen Bezruccka (Mt. New Brunswick) and Don-



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L'Aviron, Campbellton, N.B.  
June 29, 1967

## Expédition alpine du centenaire du Yukon

QUEBEC — Dans le cadre des fêtes du Centenaire, le territoire du Yukon, en collaboration avec le Club alpin du Canada, organise une grande expédition alpine qui débutera le 19 juin pour se terminer à la fin du mois d'août.

Cinquante-six alpinistes du Canada, divisés en quatorze équipes graviront treize nouveaux pics situés dans le territoire du Yukon. Quatre de ces alpinistes sont québécois, ce sont: Claude Lavallée de Saint-Bruno, Denis Gravel, Peter A. Beardon et Peter W. Hutchins de Montréal.

Chacun des pics portera le nom d'une des provinces et des territoires du Canada, le treizième portera le nom de "Centenaire".

Le "Mont Québec" aura une altitude de 12,200 pieds.

Cette expédition unique en son genre dans l'histoire de l'alpinisme au Canada a été rendue possible grâce à l'initiative de l'avocat Craig Hughes du Yukon et à la participation financière de plusieurs organismes tant au niveau provincial que fédéral.

Heureux de cette initiative et à la suite de la demande formulée par les instigateurs de ce projet, M. Yves Gabias, Secrétaire du Québec et ministre responsable pour le Service du Centenaire, annonce l'octroi d'une somme de \$2,000 afin d'aider à la réalisation de ce projet.

Kelowna Courier, B.C.  
Circ. 6,505  
June 28, 1967

## He Runs Up Knox Mountain Then, 7,000 Feet Straight Up

Byron Olson of Kelowna, will leave July 5 to join three other companions in attempting the ascent of 10,200-foot Mount British Columbia.

He expects the expedition will take about two weeks and he is busy getting into shape for the climb.

"I've been running up and down Knox Mountain every day, doing chin-ups with a pack on my back and other exercises," he said. He is among 28 B.C. and Alberta climbers who will join 60 climbers selected to scale 13 unclimbed peaks.

The expedition, called the Yukon Alpine Centennial Expedition, consists of 12 teams of four men and one four-woman team, and will make climbs in the centennial area of the St. Elias Range in the Yukon.

Mr. Olson, a local architect, will attempt to climb Mount British Columbia with Ralph Hutchinson of Nanaimo and Andrew Gruff and Carl Winter, both of Vancouver.

The centennial range climbs will begin early in July. The first staging camp will be set up in the Glauze Lake area

and from there the climbers will be flown to the base camp on Steele Glacier.

"We expect the entire trip to take about two weeks. We should start the ascent of Mount British Columbia by July 10 and it should take about a week. We have about 7,000 feet of vertical rock to climb," Mr. Olson said.

Mount British Columbia is located in the southwest corner of the St. Elias range.

Mr. Olson has been climbing since about 1956 in the Rockies, Cascades in Washington, Coast mountains and Interior ranges of B.C. He has been on two expeditions to Mount Waddington and has been involved in mountain rescue.

A flag will be placed at the summit of each peak and each will be named after one of the provinces and territories, with the 13th and highest (10,400 feet) to be named Centennial Peak.

A team made up of four Canadians and four Americans will attempt the first ascent of a major unclimbed summit on the Yukon-Alaska border, to be named Good Neighbor Peak.

Central Fraser Valley Star  
Aldergrove, B.C.  
June 27, 1967

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# THEY'RE OFF TO SCALE THE HEIGHTS

FIVE Toronto women are among the mountaineers who will climb unscaled peaks of up to 15,000 feet in the Yukon next month.

They are Mrs. Alex J. Norman, a publicist, Mrs. Brian Cook, a recent graduate of University of Toronto; Mrs. Alan Bruce-Robertson, wife of a doctor; Miss Ruth Page, a North York high school teacher; and Miss Caroline Tanner, a CBC employee.

They will be flown by

helicopter into one of two base camps in the St. Elias Mountains of the Yukon. Each camp will accommodate about one hundred climbers from all over Canada, of whom 30 percent will be women.

Fourteen especially difficult mountains will be scaled by 13 teams of four and one team of eight. One team of four will be all female. Each mountain, hitherto unclimbed and unnamed will then be named after a Canadian province or territory.

Toronto men on the various climbs are Dr. R. M. Morland Roe (Mt. Newfoundland); James Worthington-White (Mt. Yukon); Helmut Microys and Alex J. Norman (Mt. Ontario); Stephen Bezručka (Mt. New Brunswick) and Don-



ald Morgan and James Ferguson (Mt. North West).

Chief co-ordinator of the project is David Fisher, a Toronto engineer, and eastern vice-president of the Alpine Club of Canada.

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Canada's Centennial and the centennial of the purchase of Alaska from Russia by the U.S.

One of the climbers is Dr. Alan Bruce-Robertson of Toronto whose wife is taking part in later ascents.

rock climbing on a vertical cliff rising 600 feet out of Lake Mazinaw in the Kawarthas.

Young people interested in taking up the healthy and exhilarating sport of mountaineering should write to

the Alpine Club of Canada c-o 7 Reinar Gardens, Toronto 10, Phone 483-7623.

Mrs. Alex J. (Vera) Norman, who attends to the club's public relations in Toronto, will provide application forms.

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Montréal Le Devoir, Qué.

Circ. 41,081

June 30, 1967

## Fêtes du centenaire de la Confédération

Les célébrations du centenaire de la Confédération ont éveillé à travers le pays "un renouveau inspiré pour tout ce qui est canadien", indique un relevé de la presse canadienne.

Incluant l'Expo dans ce relevé "trans-canadien", la PC souligne que l'engouement des visiteurs ne se dément pas et que l'Expo amène chaque semaine des milliers de visiteurs non seulement à Montréal, mais aussi à Ottawa et à Québec.

Déjà, au cours de l'hiver, les habitants de l'Ouest se sont pressés aux portes du train de la Confédération, qui a entrepris un long voyage à travers le pays.

Les compagnies de ballet, de théâtre et de folklore, en tournée grâce à des subides du Centenaire, ont fait partout salle comble. Et l'été promet d'être encore plus mouvementé, si possible.

Des canotiers filent vers l'Est, toutes rames au courant, et attirent des spectateurs tout au long de leur route de 3.500 milles de Rocky Mountain House, en Alberta, jusqu'à l'Expo 67.

Winnipeg se prépare aux Jeux panaméricains qui seront peut-être le plus important événement sportif de l'histoire canadienne.

A Calgary, ville du Stampede, commencera le 6 juillet une course en ballons. Toutes les compétitions, depuis les rodéos jusqu'aux festivals de bleuets et aux pique-niques, portent l'étiquette du Centenaire.

A travers le pays, on ouvre et on ouvre pour quelque \$90 millions de centres cultu-

rels, de parcs, d'arènes et de monuments divers dans le contexte du Centenaire.

Les huit provinces motorisées de la Confédération, qui visitent chacune une région, font souvent l'objet d'une fête quand elles atteignent une petite ville.

Mais ce qui fascine le plus les organisateurs du Centenaire, ce sont les nombreux projets individuels.

A Toronto, les habitants de l'avenue Rathnelly jouent d'originalité en se déclarant indépendants et en établissant pour un jour, derrière des barricades, la République de Rathnelly toute en s'adonnant à un joyeux pique-nique.

Le Journal Observer, de Sarnia, en Ontario, réclame la palme pour l'originalité de son geste: le 3 mai, chaque journal s'accompagnait d'un arbre vivant. Plusieurs journaux à travers le Canada agrémentent leurs pages d'extraits de journaux d'il y a cent ans.

Un pilote de l'Ouest est allé planter en plein sur le pôle nord un drapeau du centenaire. On prévoit d'autres exploits du genre au cours de l'été.

Des douzaines d'alpinistes se préparent à monter à l'assaut des hauts pics du Yukon. S'ils y arrivent, ils baptiseront ces montagnes du nom des provinces.

L'université de la Saskatchewan tiendra ce qu'on dit être le premier cours universitaire dans le cercle polaire: une étude sur place des Esquimaux.

The Telegram, Toronto, Ont.

Circ. 226,098

June 30, 1967

## 8 CENTENNIAL CLIMBERS CONQUER ALASKA PEAK

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relatively easy despite high winds and bad weather. An aircraft is to pick the men up on July 7.

Hamilton Spectator, Ont.

Circ. 118,487

June 30, 1967

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The peak is on the west shoulder of Mount Vancouver in the St. Elias mountains of the southwest corner of the Yukon, bordering on the northern extremity of the Alaska panhandle.

Vancouver Sun, B.C.

Circ. 240,388

June 30, 1967

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Co-leaders of the team are Montague Alford of Whitehorse and John Hoeman of Anchor-age.

The others are Les McDonald of North Vancouver, Glen Boles of Calgary, Dr. Alan Bruce-Robertson of Toronto, Daniel Davis of Seattle, John Williamson of Dublin, N.H., and George Denton of New Haven, Conn.

Penticton Herald, B.C.

Circ. 5-919

June 30, 1967

## Centennial Climb

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The fourth peak lies 60 miles Southeast of the Centennial Range on the Alaska-Yukon border. The ascent of this 'International' peak will celebrate the joint centenary of Alaska and Canada and will be undertaken by a party of 4 Americans and 4 Canadians. It is envisaged that a suitable name to signify the friendship that exists between the two countries be selected. 'Good Neighbour', or the local Indian word for friendship have been suggested.

The region is as spectacular as the event. The high ice plateau gives birth

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Camp 4 during the first ascent of Mt. Newton.

PHOTOS M. ALFORD

of nature that make the mountain a challenging one. Given a reasonable spell of good weather, a strong capable party have every chance of reaching their objective but when the elements turn against them, they are confined to their shelter, tent or snow cave, in an environment that is inhospitable. Second, as bearers of Provincial and Territorial colours, the climbers will participate in the great Centennial pageant. New maps of the St. Elias Mountains will serve as a permanent reminder of their struggle and of our national heritage.

Surely an analogy must exist between those who will struggle this year toward their geographical goals and those, in our history, who pushed forward the frontiers of civilization. "Oll' belay".

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## L'Expédition Alpine

L'une des dernières chaînes de montagnes d'Amérique du Nord dont les sommets restent inviolés sera escaladée durant l'année du Centenaire de la Confédération.

Des équipes d'alpinistes représentant toutes les provinces et territoires affronteront les monts glacés de Saint-Elias, dans le sud-ouest du Yukon, et planteront sur les pics vaincus le drapeau de la province qu'ils représentent.

Le plus haut pic escaladé portera le nom de "Pic du Centenaire".

Pour symboliser la longue amitié qui unit le Canada aux États-Unis, une équipe composée d'alpinistes américains et canadiens fera l'ascension d'une montagne qui s'élève à la frontière de l'Alaska et du Yukon.

## Alpine Expedition

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The highest peak will be climbed separately and named Centennial Peak.

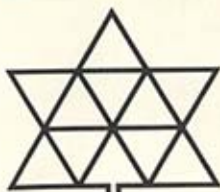
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Le Mont Saint-Élias



Mount Saint Elias



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##### (1) Yukon — Alpine Centennial Expedition

Mr. David Fisher, Chairman, Yukon Alpine Centennial Expedition,  
Toronto

A mountain range containing thirteen unnamed and unclimbed mountain peaks of between 10,000 ft. and 12,500 ft. in the Icefield Ranges of the St. Elias Mountains has been designated "Centennial Range", with the individual peaks named after the provinces and territories of Canada except for the most outstanding one which is called Centennial Peak. A major unclimbed and presently unnamed peak of 15,700 ft. on the Alaska-Yukon border has also been selected to commemorate the coincident Centenary of the purchase of Alaska and the Confederation of Canada.

Mountaineering teams of qualified Canadian climbers each representing a province or territory, and an international team to represent Canada and the United States will attempt the peaks selected.

A base camp and a small number of subsidiary camps or depots will be operated within Icefield Ranges for the benefit of properly equipped persons who meet certain basic qualifications established by the Alpine Club of Canada. These fully equipped camps and their attendant aircraft support will provide climbers with a rare opportunity to enjoy a variety of recreational climbing and mountain holiday travel in a truly spectacular mountain and glacier area that has not in the past been available to large numbers of people.



# d'un SPORT à l'autre

L'Américain Bob Unser a remporté samedi l'Indianapolis-200, première course nord-américaine comptant pour le championnat d'autos d'Indianapolis... l'épreuve de 200 milles a dû être écourtée après six tours de la deuxième étape à cause de la pluie... au Mans, en France, l'Australien Jack Brabham a remporté le Grand Prix de France... il a pris l'avance à mi-chemin, après que des difficultés mécaniques eurent forcé Graham Hill et Jim Clark à se retirer... un hydroglisseur Chrysler, première embarcation mue par un moteur d'auto, a gagné le championnat mondial des hydroglisseurs, sur la rivière Détroit dimanche... l'embarcation était pilotée par Bill Sterett, d'Owensboro, Kentucky... à Naples, l'Anglais Charles Gardner a gagné l'épreuve de Naples, de 169.6 milles... son embarcation, le "Delta 20", a conservé une moyenne de 44.702 m/h... le Montréalais Ross de Ste-Croix a dû se contenter du 2<sup>e</sup> rang, samedi, dans une épreuve comptant pour le championnat des conducteurs canadiens... la victoire dans cette épreuve disputée à MacDonald, Manitoba, est allée au Torontois Eppie Wietzes...

Le Montréalais Yvon Duhamel a gagné la course de motocyclettes du Centenaire de 67 milles, à Mosport... il a conservé une moyenne de 81.5 m/h... huit alpinistes canadiens et américains ont fait l'ascension d'une montagne de 15,700 pieds à la frontière du Yukon et de l'Alaska... et l'équipe marqua le Centenaire du Canada et de l'Alaska... blessé samedi soir, le voltigeur Bill Rebinson a été retourné à New York par les Yankees... dans une tentative pour sortir de leur léthargie, les Athlétiques de Kansas City ont rappelé le receveur Ken Suarez et le voltigeur Allan Lewis de leur filiale de Birmingham... pour leur créer une place, ils ont cédé le receveur Dave Duncan et le voltigeur Reggie Jackson au Birmingham, et le lanceur John Odem au Vancouver... les White Sox de Chicago ont rappelé le joueur d'intérieur Marv Staehle de leur filiale d'Indianapolis... pour remplacer le lanceur Marcelino Lopez, dont le nom a été placé sur la liste des joueurs blessés, les Orioles de Baltimore ont décidé d'accorder un essai au lanceur-recrue Mike Adamson, leur premier choix au récent repêchage des joueurs collégiaux...

Des sauteurs canadiens ont pris les 2<sup>e</sup>, 3<sup>e</sup> et 4<sup>e</sup> places, derrière le champion national américain J. J. Rand, dimanche, lors du tournoi annuel de ski au Jour de l'Indépendance, au Lac Placid... Réal Séguin, Max Pelt et Pat Morris ont suivi dans cet ordre... près de 10,000 personnes ont rendu un dernier hommage au regretté Primo Carnera, lors de ses obsèques, à Soquale, Italie... les tireurs de l'Ontario ont pris la vedette aux 12<sup>e</sup> championnats canadiens de tir au pigeon d'argile... Doug Norton, de Cooksville, Ontario, a gagné le championnat canadien, tandis que Joe Devers, de Reno, Nevada, a gagné le championnat mondial... Errol Duke, de Kitchener, Frances Searle, John Hurley, de Port Burwell, tous de l'Ontario, ont gagné dans leur catégorie respective... l'équipe du Manitoba n'avait pas perdu sa forme, à la reprise de la course de canoë du Centenaire, hier, alors qu'elle a devancé celle de la Colombie-Britannique par quatre secondes, dans un sprint sur la rivière Rouge... l'équipe féminine italienne d'escrime est arrivée à Montréal hier... elle est composée de Bruna Colombetti, Antonella Ragnò, Emma Lorenzoni, Giovanna Masciotta et Madga Oggaro...

Les Rams de Los Angeles ont fait l'acquisition du joueur de ligne défensive Dave Cahill, des Saints de la Nouvelle-Orléans, en retour du joueur de ligne offensive Mike Capshaw... Buckpasser devra porter 133 livres, ce soir, dans la 81<sup>e</sup> édition du handicap Suburban, d'une bourse minimale de \$100,000, à la piste Acquaduct...



Bobby UNSER



Jack BRABHAM



Graham HILL



Ross de STE-CROIX



Primo CARNERA

The first phase of the Yukon Alpine Centennial Expedition was completed yesterday, July 3rd.

An international party of four Canadians and four Americans made the first ascent of the south peak of Mt. Vancouver on June 25. It is possible that this summit will be named "Good Neighbour" Peak to signify the two countries.

The Mt. Vancouver massif which lies on the Yukon-Alaska border has three major peaks. The south peak has an altitude of 15,683, the central peak estimated at 15,700 and the north peak estimated at 15,800.

The north peak was climbed for the first time in 1949 by a party of four including Dr. Alan Bruce Robertson who was a Canadian member of the recent international party to reach the south peak a week ago.

Five members of the international team crossed the mountain to mark the first ascent of the central peak and four members continued the traverse to make the second ascent of the north peak.

The party approached the south peak by making a south approach to the S.W. Buttress. The route followed involved an ascent over a sharp broken

rock ridge from base camp at 7,000 to camp one at 10,500. From camp one the route lay up a snow free slope with several steep and exposed rock pitches, to camp two located at 12,000 and camp three at 14,000.

From camp three the party was within easy access of the S.W. Buttress and via this to the summit ridge.

A Centennial flag was left planted on the south peak and the flag of the United States, Alaska and Canada were flown in commemoration of the joint centenary of the purchase of

Alaska and the Confederation of Canada.

While the ascent was made in good weather the descent was slowed by heavy snowfall and storm.

The party remained tented at 14,000 for three days and at base camp for three days. The group were flown into the mountain by glacier pilot Phil Upon in the Arctic hardware of North America's Turbo Helio Courier and were returned from the mountain July 3rd by Lloyd Ryder of Great Northern Airways.

(Special to The Star)

## Centennial Flag Flies On Yukon Peak.....

Whitehorse Star, Yukon  
July 4, 1967

Vancouver Province, B.C.  
Circ. 106,501  
July 5, 1967

## Canada-U.S. alpinists scale Centennial peaks

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Special to The Province  
WHITEHORSE, Y.T. — Four Canadian and four American alpinists, including a North Vancouver man, have completed the first phase of a project to commemorate the twin

Alaskan and Canadian centennial peaks. The group, which scaled the previously unclimbed south peak of Mt. Vancouver June 25, crossed two massifs to scale the central and northern peaks

of the mountain. The climbers returned by air to Whitehorse Monday. Mt. Vancouver, in the spectacular St. Elias mountains, will be named Good Neighbor peak to mark the centennials

of the U.S. purchase of Alaska and the Confederation of Canada. The assault on the mountain was the opening phase of the Yukon Alpine Centennial Expedition, in which 13 other un-

climbed mountains are to be conquered to mark the centennial of Confederation. All are in the St. Elias Mountains in the southwest corner of the Yukon, bordering on the Alaskan panhandle.

Toronto Daily Star, Ont.  
Circ. 358,326  
July 5, 1967

Alpinists reach top  
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Winnipeg Tribune, Man.  
Circ. 72,546  
July 5, 1967

Kirkland Lake Northern  
Daily News, Ontario  
Circ. 6,067  
July 6, 1967

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## Yukon Centennial Climbers Face Treacherous Mountain

KLUANE LAKE, Y.T. (CP) — Treacherous rock-faces and inconstant weather await members of the Yukon Alpine Centennial expedition as they prepare here for a massive assault on North America's mightiest mountain range.

The expedition's major stage opens this weekend with 32 Canadian climbers facing 13 unclimbed peaks in the St. Elias Mountains, a glacier-riddled wilderness in the southwestern Yukon and southeastern Alaska.

The mountains each are to be tackled by a four-member team in a two-week assault to mark Confederation. Twelve of the peaks are being named after Canada's provinces and territories; the 13th will be named Centennial Peak and the 13 collectively are being named Centennial Range.

The initial stage of the centennial expedition was completed a week ago, when an eight-man team of American and Canadian climbers conquered a 15,700-foot virgin mountain on the border between the Yukon and the Alaskan panhandle.

The border mountain, Good Neighbor Peak, was climbed to mark the twin 1947 centennials of Canada's Confederation and the United States purchase of Alaska. The experiences of the Canadian-American team on Good Neighbor Peak provided a foretaste of the challenge awaiting the mountaineers now gathering here for the centennial expedition's main stage.

Montague Alford, Canadian co-leader of the Good Neighbor team, said Wednesday in a telephone interview from Whitehorse, Y.T., that the team encountered some "very bad" rock and was snow-bound for

three days in the course of the climb. All eight members reached the summit, where they planted Canadian and American flags and a blue Canadian centennial standard.

The team made a south approach to what is known as the southeast buttress of the Mount Vancouver massif, on which Good Neighbor Peak is a part. From the base camp to camp one at 10,000 feet, the route was up an ice-fall and then higher to what Alford described as a "very bad rock ridge."

From the rock ridge, the team proceeded to a snow-ice tongue. Between camp one and camp two, steep ice pitches were encountered requiring more than 600 feet of fixed rope—line affixed to the mountain face to help in getting heavy equipment up. From camp three is a

crevasse at 14,000 feet, the team traversed a ridge to the summit.

"The weather was fine on the way up," Alford said, "but as we started the descent it turned foul. We were storm-bound in camp for three days in high winds and when we moved down to camp one it was marginal weather."

Climbers in the main stage of the centennial expedition can expect the weather to be just as irregular during their assaults. Turbulence is created by a major mountain range as airflows are forced up and down the range and are broken up by the peaks.

The St. Elias Mountains include Mount Logan, the highest peak in Canada at 19,850 feet. The range is the third-biggest among the world's great uplifts.

Kamloops Daily Sentinel, B.C.  
Circ. 8,510  
July 5, 1967

## Alpinists Succeed In Climbing Peak

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Windsor Star, Ont.  
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Simcoe Reformer, Ont.  
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Prince George Citizen, B.C.  
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North Bay Nugget, Ontario  
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Vancouver Sun, B.C.  
Circ. 240,388  
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# Climber Chosen

**HALIFAX (CP)**— Cmdr. Fred W. Crickard of suburban Bedford has been selected as a member of the four-man team to begin Saturday the initial ascent of 10,000-foot Mount Nova Scotia in the Yukon Territory.

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Other team members are leader Robert M. Paul of Vancouver, Don Poole of Edmonton and Maurice Tyler of Baie d'Urfe, Que.

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Lethbridge Herald, Alta.  
Circ. 19,027  
July 6, 1967

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By MAX WYMAN

Les McDonald came home to North Vancouver Wednesday in triumph.

But it was a triumph which had come close to tragedy.

McDonald, 34, of 1154 West Twenty-fourth, was among a group of four Canadians and four Americans who scaled the previously unclimbed Good Neighbor Peak last month.

His triumph came when he planted the Canadian flag at the summit 15,700 feet above the Alaska-Yukon border. Simultaneously, Alaskan Ed Hoeman planted the Stars and Stripes in a symbolic gesture of unity.

The brush with danger came on the way down.

Bad weather forced the climbers to spend four days in a tent on a glacier, and eventually they had to radio the Alpine Club of Canada base at Luane Lake for an aircraft to pick them up.

But with McDonald and two of the U.S. climbers aboard the aircraft was unable to take off again.

To overcome this the climbers stamped out a runway in the fresh snow but the plane ran off the end of it on the next take-off attempt.

McDonald recalled at his home Wednesday "It wouldn't lift." "But it wouldn't stop, either."

He said the craft just kept racing along at ground level through the snow.

"We got pretty worried, because we knew there were some big crevasses ahead," he said.

"Sure enough, we hit one —



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about ten feet wide, with new snow filling it. "We tipped part way into it, then bounced out."

"It stopped the plane all right ... but I don't think I've ever been so scared."

"If we'd gone into one of the bigger crevasses, I just don't know what would have happened."

Damage to the aircraft, he said, was only slight, and it was eventually able to take off.

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Once they had reached the peak, McDonald and his co-climbers set out on what he termed a bonus climb of three other peaks on the same two-mile mountain ridge.

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Commander Fred W. Crickard, RCN, of Bedford, N.S., has been selected as a member of the four-man team to make the initial ascent of 10,000-foot high Mount Nova Scotia. Cdr. Crickard is the only member of the team selected currently residing in the province and is representing Canada's Armed Forces in the expedition.

The epic mountaineering and mountain exploration tournament is sponsored as a Centennial Project by the Government of the Yukon Territory and the Alpine Club of Canada.

The expedition, known as The Yukon Alpine Centennial Expedition, will take place from 8 to 24 July in Canada's highest and most spectacular mountain area, the Icefield Ranges of the St. Elias Mountains which are located in the Yukon Territory near the Yukon-Alaska boundary.

Mountaineering teams of qualified Canadian climbers, each representing a province or territory, and an inter-

national team to represent Canada and the United States will attempt the peaks selected.

Cdr. Crickard, presently serving in Canadian Forces Base Halifax in command of the Weapons Division of the Fleet School, is an experienced mountaineer. He has been a member of the Alpine Club of Canada since 1954 and has climbed in the Alps, the Rockies, New Zealand and the Coast Range in British Columbia. Born in Vancouver, he is the only member of the team selected to climb Mount Nova Scotia currently residing in the province, and is the sole representative of the Armed Forces participating in this expedition. The other members of the team named to climb Mount Nova Scotia are Robert M. Paul, Vancouver, leader; Don M. E. Poole, Edmonton, and Maurice A. Tyler, Baie d'Urfe, Que.

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Thirteen mountains in the range near the Yukon-Alaska boundary have been named after the 10 provinces and three territories of Canada. Expeditions to climb the peaks are being sponsored by the government of the Yukon Territory and the Alpine Club of Canada. The ascent of Mount Nova Scotia is expected to take about 15 days.

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## 52 To Assault 13 Unclimbed Peaks Sunday

VANCOUVER (CP) Fifty-two mountain climbers from Vancouver to Halifax will set out Sunday in a gigantic centennial project — a series of assaults on 13 unclimbed peaks in the Centennial Range near the Alaska-Yukon border.

The peaks will be named for the 10 provinces and two territories and the centennial.

The assault will start from Mile 1064 of the Alaska Highway.

Among the climbers are W. P. Flips Broda of West Vancouver, leader of one of the 13 teams; Commander Fred W. Crickard of Halifax, who will climb to-be-named Mount Nova Scotia; school teacher Gertrude Smith of Vancouver, who will climb Mount Saskatchewan; and Paddy Sherman, editor of the Vancouver Province, who will lead the Manitoba assault.

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# Centennial Celebrations Awaken Elemental Appetite

By GERARD McNEIL,  
Canadian Press Staff Writer

Some elemental Canadian appetite evidently was awakened by the centennial celebrations.

The hunger for things Canadian has been expressed in a trail of shattered crowd estimates.

Color has flooded into the grey old image as the citizenry not only seeks, but provides, fun.

In a country where nationalism was always regarded as a foreign disorder, a song called Ca-na-da is suddenly the all-time best-seller.

The delighted self-regard has flabbergasted officialdom

who spent public millions to generate it.

As late as last Christmas, centennial planners were pessimistic. But no more.

The reason is that everything has clicked, including the turnstiles. Evidence was turned up in a Cross-Canada Survey by The Canadian Press.

In winter, westerners lined up in numbing weather to visit the Confederation train, whose drawing power had been considered dubious by some.

Incredible crowds began to hit Expo 67 the day the world's fair opened and continued through the coldest May on record.

Ballet, theatre and folk companies touring on centennial subsidies have run into overflow houses.

With summer here, the fun has just started.

The voyageur canoes are sprouting east, leaving a trail of celebration along the 3,500-mile water route from Rocky Mountain House, Alta., to Expo.

Winnipeg is preparing for the Pan-American Games, perhaps the biggest sports event in Canadian history.

An international balloon race begins at Calgary July 6, taking over from the fabulous Stampede.

Rodeos, old home weeks, pioneer days, clan gatherings, blueberry festivals, ox pulls, dory races, company picnics all have the centennial tag this year.

About \$90,000,000 worth of cultural centres, parks, arenas, municipal swimming pools are being opened, all concrete hometown mementoes to the Centennial.

The eight Confederation truck caravans now touring regionally are the basis for many a small-town holiday when they arrive.

What fascinates the centennial planners most is the degree of individual involvement.

Residents of Rathnelly Avenue in Toronto, for instance, beat the blue laws by declaring themselves independent and establishing The Republic of Rathnelly. They seceded from Metropolitan Toronto, set up barricades, and held a picnic.

The Sarina Observer claims to have made centennial history—and undoubtedly did—by delivering a live tree with every paper May 9.

Enlightening excerpts from issues a century ago grace

many newspapers across Canada.

A western pilot put the centennial flag on the North Pole. Similar antics are on schedule for the summer.

Gravelbourg, Sask., for instance, is spearheading a 15-mile centennial wagon train journey along the old Wood Mountain Trail.

In the North, a Mackenzie River barge will carry a ferry wheel into the territories for the first time.

Dozens of climbers are preparing to assault a series of towering Yukon peaks, which will be named, if climbed, after the provinces.

The University of Saskatchewan will hold what it calls the first university class—a field course in the study of Eskimos—within the Arctic Circle.

Saskatchewan is billing the July 20-22 official opening of the multi-million-dollar Gardiner Dam as the nation's second largest centennial event.

In the Maritimes, Prince Edward Island is greeting summer visitors with folk singing and lobster dinners.

Naval squadrons from the seven seas are visiting ports from Halifax to Nahaimo.

Great tides of movement have laden scheduled flights and added to the length of trains.

Expo alone is throwing thousands of visitors weekly to cities like Ottawa and Quebec.

The visitors this summer will include Queen Elizabeth, who will be in Ottawa on Dominion Day, and President de Gaulle of France, who comes later.

Lyndon B. Johnson, Harold Wilson and other luminaries from around the world already have visited Canada for the Centennial.

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## Centennial Range Climb Planned

VANCOUVER (CP) Fifty-two mountain climbers from Vancouver to Halifax will set out Sunday in a gigantic centennial project — a series of assaults on 13 unclimbed peaks in the Centennial Range near the Alaska-Yukon border.

The peaks will be named for the 10 provinces and two territories and the centennial.

The assault will start from Mile 1064 of the Alaska Highway.



## Climbers Ready For Conquest

Mountain climbers Wayne Smith and Phil Dowling of Edmonton, Klaus Hahn, Calgary, and Lethbridge's Dr. Gerald Wright left here this morning to climb 11,000-ft. Mount Alberta in the Yukon. Among 45 others climbing 13

unclimbed Yukon peaks by mid-August are Edmontonians Don Poole, C. J. Smith and Dr. William Louis. The climbs are the Alpine Club of Canada Centennial project. Mr. Dowling is president of the club's Edmonton section.

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# Climbers going up and up

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Fifty-two mountain climbers from Nanaimo to Halifax will set out today and Saturday for an assault on 13 unclimbed peaks in the newly-named Centennial Range of the St. Elias Mountains near the Alaska-Yukon border.

The climb, billed as the biggest mountaineering expedition ever launched is a \$250,000 centennial project and is on a scale almost as grand as the mountains themselves which rank behind only the Himalayas and the central Andes.

The peaks will be named for Canada's 10 provinces, two territories and the centennial.

Most of the climbers who will operate in four-member teams will fly to Whitehorse on regular CPA flights and then take buses to Klauane Lake at Mile 1064 of the Alaska Highway where the assault starts Sunday.

They will be flown about 100 miles west of the highway by helicopter where three base camps will be set up in the ice fields.

W. P. Fips Broda of West Vancouver, leader of the team

which will climb 12,321-foot Centennial Peak, the highest in the range, said the expedition will be a real challenge.

"I have been looking at photos and there are some real peaks," he said. "I hope the weather will be good to us."

The biggest factor the climbers will have in their favor is the continuous daylight, which should put most peaks within a day's climb of base camps.

Cmdr. Fred W. Crickard,

who has come from Halifax to climb Mount Nova Scotia, hopes to be doing serious climbing by Monday.

"We don't have any plans and will have to see the mountain before we decide on a course," he said. "But the sooner we achieve our goal, the more time we will have to climb other peaks."

A native of B.C., Crickard has climbed in the Rockies, Europe and New Zealand.

He is the weapons division commander of the navy's fleet school and has done most

of his practising for next week's climb on the rock faces of the Cape Breton Highlands.

School teacher Gertrude Smith of Vancouver, who will lead an all-woman team up 11,287 Mount Saskatchewan, left here last weekend to get a jump on the men. Her team mates are Andrea Rankin and Mrs. Wendy Farris Teichmann, both of Montreal, and Mrs. Helen Butling of Nelson.

The B.C. team, which will

be climbing a 10,200-foot peak, smallest of the 13, consists of Ralph Hutchinson of Nanaimo, Andrew Gruft of Vancouver, Byron Olson of Kelowna and Karl Wieter of North Vancouver.

Other B.C. climbers are Paddy Sherman of North Vancouver, leader, and Duncan McDougall of Vancouver, member, of the Manitoba team; Werner Himmelsbach of Burnaby, leader, and Donald Soughan of Vancouver, member, of Newfoundland

team; Robert Paul, leader of the Nova Scotia team; Norman Pursell of West Vancouver, leader, and Albert Parke and Brendan Moss of Vancouver, members, of the Prince Edward Island team; and Gordon Coope of Vancouver, leader of the Yukon team.

The actual centennial expedition started last month when four Americans and four Canadians, including Les McDonald of North Vancouver, climbed 15,700-foot Good Neighbor Peak on the Alaska-Yukon border.

Third stage of the expedition consists of two, 14-day camps on the Steele Glacier in the same general area.

Each camp will have a capacity of 115 climbers. The first will start July 15 and the second, July 29.

On July 19, Secretary of State Judy LaMarsh will visit the camp and fly over the Centennial Range where the 52 climbers will be scaling the 13 peaks. The last group of climbers will leave the area Aug. 14.

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## ON ST. ELIAS RANGE

### Climbers Prepare

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## Climbers Aim at St. Elias Range

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July 7, 1967

## ON ST. ELIAS RANGE

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group of climbers will leave the area Aug. 14.

# Main Assault Sunday Centennial Mountain Climb Features Kootenay Woman

**KLUANE LAKE, Y.T.** — Numbered among the 52 mountain climbers from Vancouver to Halifax who will set out Sunday in a gigantic Centennial project is a 54-year-old Nelson Hospital physiotherapist, Mrs. Helen Butling.  
The project is a series of assaults of 13 unclimbed peaks in the Centennial or St. Elias Range, on the Alaska-Yukon border.  
The peaks will be named for the 10 provinces, two territories and the Centennial.

Mrs. Butling's assault will be on Mount Saskatchewan. This team is led by school teacher Gertrude Smith of Vancouver.

Among the other climbers are W. P. Pips Broda of West Vancouver, leader of one of the 13 teams, and Paddy Sherman, editor of the Vancouver Province.

The last group of climbers is expected to be finished by Aug. 14.

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The team made a southern approach to what is known as the southeast buttress of Mt. Vancouver massif, of which the

Good Neighbor peak is a part. From the base camp to camp one at 10,000 feet, the route was up an icefall.

The weather was bad during the entire initial climb.

Climbers in the main expedition can expect the weather to be just as irregular during their assault.

Turbulence is created by a major mountain range as airflows are forced up and down the range and are broken up by the peaks.

The St. Elias Mountains include Mt. Logan, the highest peak in Canada at 19,850 feet.

The range is the third largest in the world. The Centennial expedition is being co-ordinated by the Alpine Club of Canada with the governments of Quebec, Newfoundland, and the two territories meeting most of the \$250,000 budget.

The St. Elias Range ranks the world only behind the Andes and the Himalayas.

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# Yukon's Unclimbed Peaks Challenged for Centennial

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From the rock ridge, the team proceeded to a snow-ice tongue. Between camp one and camp two, steep ice pitches were encountered requiring more than 600 feet of fixed rope—line affixed to the mountain face to help in getting heavy equipment up. From camp three in a crevasse at 14,000 feet, the team traversed a ridge to the summit.

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# People make news

one of the eight selected from nearly 8,000 Knights of Malta throughout the world as a member of the Sovereign Council.

Canadian Jaycees: The general manager of the Gall, Ont., Chamber of Commerce, Art Turner, was elected president of the Canadian Jaycees Wednesday at the group's national convention held in Ottawa.

Mountain Climb: A citizen of Baie d'Urfe, Maurice Tyler, is a member of a four-man team which will begin the initial ascent of 10,000-foot Mount Nova Scotia in the Yukon Territory on Saturday.



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#### OTHERS CONQUERED

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**Mountain Climb  
At Critical Stage**

KLUANE LAKE, Y.T. (CP)—One of Canada's most spectacular centennial projects was to move into its critical stage here today with the start of an airlift of mountaineers into the St. Elias mountains.

The climbers, mounting a mass assault on 13 peaks in the newly-named Centennial range in the St. Elias group, are part of the three-stage Yukon alpine centennial expedition.

The Alpine Club of Canada has called the expedition the biggest mountaineering effort ever launched, and the logistics involved give credence to the claim.

In the first stage of the expedition, an eight-man Canadian-American team conquered the 15,700-foot Virgin Peak on the Alaska-Yukon border to mark the Canadian Centennial and the coincident centennial of the U.S. purchase of Alaska.

**CLIMB PEAKS**

In the current second stage, four-man teams are tackling the Centennial peaks which range between 10,000 and 12,500 feet in height. The third stage consists of two two-week climbing camps for a total of 230 climbers later this month near the Steele glacier in the St. Elias mountains.

Planning for the expedition in the nearly two years since it was conceived has been largely in the hands of the Alpine club. The logistics handbook reads like the plan for a major military operation.

A single-engine, ski-equipped

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Canadian Press

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"The rock was very badly broken up. This is typical of the St. Elias Mountains — much of the rock is ice-shattered and quite treacherous."

From the rock ridge, the team proceeded to a snow-ice tongue. Between Camp 1 and Camp 2, steep ice pitches were encountered requiring more than 600 feet of fixed rope-line affixed to the mountain face to help in getting heavy equip-

ment up. From Camp 3 in a crevasse at 14,000 feet, the team traversed a ridge to the summit.

"The weather was fine on the way up," Alford said, "but as we started the descent it turned foul. We were storm-bound in Camp 3 for three days in high winds and when we moved down to Camp 1 it was in marginal weather.

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### GAINED EXPERIENCE

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### WEATHER CHANGED

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CLIMBING MOUNT MANITOBA (11,150 ft.) Don Forest, Calgary and Dr. Ray Denson, Vancouver, Saskatoon. Left to right, Duncan McDougall, Vancouver, leader Paddy Sherman, North Vancouver, Star photo



CLIMBING MOUNT NORTHWEST TERRITORY Moot St. Hillaire, Quebec and Jim Goldies (10,796 ft.) Left to right: Jim Ferguson, well, Burlington, Ontario. Star photo Don Morton, Ontario, leader Dr. Pat Baird.

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Lethbridge Herald, Alta.

Circ. 19,027

July 10, 1967

## Mountaineer Off On Climb

Mountaineering enthusiast Dr. Gerald Wright of Lethbridge left the city last week on route for the Yukon where he will join an expedition which will make an assault on a hitherto unconquered peak in the Mount Elias Range.

Dr. Wright was chosen as one of the Alberta team of four to climb the peak. Each Canadian province will scale one peak.

The mountaineers hope to place the Alberta emblem on the summit about three weeks after setting out.

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Ottawa Citizen, Ont.

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## Climbers face swirling snow

KLUANA LAKE, Y.T. (CP) — Snow swirled around the base of the St. Elias mountains late Sunday as members of the Yukon Alpine Centennial Expedition headed up the slopes of 13 peaks.

All but 11 expedition members were at base camps before the snow closed in on the Divide staging area. They were to be flown in when the snow cleared.

The storm gave evidence of weather to be expected on the slopes of the unconquered mountains.

Daytime temperatures reached 35 degrees at Divide, a camp on Kaska Wulsh glacier, some 8,500 feet high, only 30 minutes by air from Kluane Lake where temperatures reached 70 degrees.

YACE climbers will name each of the 13 peaks after the provinces and territories, and name the 13th the Centennial.

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AT KLUANE CAMPGROUND, Centennial Climbers listen intently to words of advice from David R. Fisher of Toronto (centre) back to camera) Eastern Vice-President of the Alpine Club of Canada and Chief Co-ordinator of the Centennial climb. A great deal of time, effort and money has gone into the project, the first phase of which was successfully completed last week with the ascent of Good Neighbour peak on the Yukon-Alaska border. Star photo



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CLIMBING MOUNT SASKATCHEWAN (13,887 ft.) Left to right, Andrea Rankin, Montreal, Wendy Teichmann, Montreal, leader Gertrude Smith, Vancouver, and Helen Butling, Nelson, B.C. Star photo



WEEK FOR WHITEHORSE FLYER; Northern Airways pilot Lloyd Ryder was making several trips over the weekend, flying Centennial climbers into the Centennial mountain range. He took groups of the climbers from the Icefield Research Project air-camp on Kluane Lake at Mile 1054 into the camp from where they were lifted by copter to their starting points in the mountains. Star photo





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**GOOD NEIGHBOURS ON TOP:** Members of the International climbing teams representing Canada and the United States stand at the 15,700-foot peak of what is to be called "Good Neighbour Mountain" and plant the flags of Alaska, left, the U.S.A., Canada and the Centennial flag. This was the first in a series of climbs taking place this month as part of the Yukon Alpine Centennial Expeditions. This photo was taken

by the Canadian co-leader of the climb, Monty Alford, of Whitehorse. Only the Centennial flag was left planted on the mountain top, the others were brought back down by the eight-man party. The Canadian flag, which flew briefly on Good Neighbour Mountain may be presented to Canada's Secretary of State, the Hon. Judy LaMarsh when she visits the Alpine Expedition later this month.

## Centennial Climbers Head For Peaks.....

Busiest spot in northern Canada this weekend was the Yukon's Alpine Expedition base camp at Klusane Lake.

Climbing team from the ten provinces, two territories and a Centennial team were being flown in by helicopters

and high-altitude aircraft to their glacier camp, jumping-off point in the St. Elias range of Yukon mountains.

The climbers have been streaming north from every part of Canada for the past week, coming by plane, from Vancouver and Edmonton, bus and car up the Alaska Highway. Some of them are famous, such as Paddy Sherman, editor of the Vancouver Province, others

are making their first climb in the Canadian north.

All of them are enthusiastic. By this morning, of the 52 men and women chosen to climb as provincial teams of four, about a dozen were still at the

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CLIMBING MOUNT YUKON (10,000 ft.) Left to right: leader Mike McCallum, Vancouver, Dr. William Louis, Edmonton, Hugo Hohenberger, Keno and Jim White, Toronto. Star photo

## Logan Climber Suffer Injury

Vince Bauer, of Vancouver, one of the British Columbia climbers now tackling Mount Logan, (on a project separate from the Centennial Climbs in the St. Elias), was flown out from the 10,000 foot level Sunday to Klusane Lake after he suffered an accident during the climb.

The injury was not serious, but Bauer was brought to Whitehorse General Hospital for treatment to his damaged arm and is expected to fly home Tuesday.

The accident spelled fins to his mountaineering for the moment.



CANADIAN CO-LEADER: M.E. "Monty" Alford of Whitehorse, led the four Canadian climbers who joined four U.S. mountaineers last week to plant the Centennial Flag on top of Good Neighbour Mountain, located near the Yukon-Alaska border. The climb was a joint commemoration of the Canadian and Alaskan Centennial years.



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Helen Butling, Nelson, B.C.  
Star photo



**SALLY MEETS THE CENTENNIAL CLIMBERS.**  
The Centennial climbers stopped for dinner  
at the Haines Junction Inn Friday, on their  
way to base camp at Kluane. Freckle-faced  
Sally Backe served their meals and got to  
meet some of them. Here she is with Karl

Winter (left) of North Vancouver, climbing  
Mount British Columbia, and Paddy Sherman,  
right, the editor of the Vancouver Province,  
who is leading the climb on Mount Manitoba.  
Star photo.

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Telegraph-Journal  
Saint John, N.B.  
Circ. 27,264  
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# Mountaineering In B.C.: 'A Lot Of Hard Work'

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Vancouver Sun, B.C.  
Circ. 240,388  
July 10, 1967

# 13 Peaks Attacked

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The 11 climbers who were  
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remainder of the party at the  
base camps as soon as the  
weather clears.

The 13 teams were being

blown by Beaver aircraft to  
Divide and were being airlifted  
from there to base camps by  
helicopter.

The climbers will attempt to  
conquer 13 peaks this week if  
the weather remains good.

Twelve of the previously-  
unclimbed mountains will be  
named for Canada's 10 provin-  
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The 13th, to be assaulted by  
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Sydney Cape Breton Post, N.S.  
Circ. 27,569  
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Fredericton Gleaner, N.B.  
Circ. 15,289  
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In the current second stage, four-man teams are tackling the Centennial peaks which range between 10,000 and 12,500 feet in height. The third stage consists of two two-week climbing camps for a total of 230 climbers later this month near the Steele glacier in the St. Elias mountains.

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Equipment and supplies marshalled for the three stages of the expedition include thousands of board feet of lumber for the camps, tents, radios, more than 7,000 gallons of aviation fuel, cords of firewood and more than 5,600 man-days of food.

Owen Sound Sun Times, Ont.  
Circ. 12,717  
July 10, 1967

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Québec Le Soleil, Qué.  
Circ. 151,462  
July 10, 1967

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**Ascension spectaculaire de treize pics  
des monts Saint-Elie, au Yukon**

KLUANE LAKE, Yukon (PC) — L'ascension de treize pics des Monts Saint-Elie, dans le Yukon, qui constitue l'un des projets les plus spectaculaires du Centenaire, a atteint en fin de semaine une phase critique alors que 32 alpinistes ont atteint les trois camps de base à partir desquels ils doivent s'attaquer aux Monts Saint-Elie.

Les alpinistes ont d'abord été transportés par avion à une trentaine de milles des trois camps de base. De là, des hélicoptères les ont amenés aux camps d'où commencera l'ascension.

Avant de monter à bord des hélicoptères, les alpinistes se trouvaient à un camp intermédiaire nommé Divide, où déjà la température était de 30 degrés à l'ombre. A quelque 30 minutes de là, en avion, soit à Klauane Lake, le thermomètre enregistrait un estival 70 degrés.

Les alpinistes ont dû se couvrir le visage et les mains d'un onguent spécial si non le grand soleil qui règne à ces hauteurs les aurait brûlés en deux ou trois heures. De plus, ils devront porter des lunettes spéciales.

Du camp Divide on peut voir les pointes blanches des magnifiques monts Saint-Elie. A une distance de 35 milles, la masse imposante du mont Logan, le plus haut mont du Canada présente un flanc long de 20 milles tout recouvert de neige. Dans les vallées creusées aux pieds de ces monts coulent des glaciers énormes.

Pour se mesurer à cette nature, les alpinistes ont dû se munir d'un équipement imposant. Il leur faut des milliers de pieds de bois pour les camps, des tentes, des radios, plus de 7,000 gallons d'essence d'avion, des cordages et plus de 5,000 jour-homme de nourriture.

On espère que cette expédition stimulera l'intérêt des Canadiens pour l'alpinisme.



Guelph Mercury, Ont.  
Circ. 15,979  
July 10, 1967

## Centennial Flag Atop 633 Water Tower

One Guelph resident has been apparently incited by the Centennial mountain climbing fete now underway in Yukon Territory. The result is that Guelph now has its "highest summit" crowned with a flag that appeared as if by magic atop the high water tower on Verney St.

Out at Klauane Lake, Y.T. one of Canada's most spectacular Centennial projects is underway. Mountain climbers hope to scale 13 peaks in the newly-named Centennial range in the St. Elias group of mountains. The Alpine Club of Canada, has called this Yukon expedition the biggest mountain effort ever launched.

They'll not likely change their minds either, when they hear of the Guelph feat, because it required only climbing nerve, because a ladder gives access to the top of the water tower. The purple colored, Centennial flag waves proudly, high above the tank.

It was definitely not an approved project of the Guelph Canadian Centennial Committee although that group a long time ago had suggested that a lighted crown be set atop the tower to honor the Royal City.

La Presse, Montréal, Qué.  
Circ. 207,755  
July 11, 1967

## Les alpinistes du Yukon sont à pied d'oeuvre

LAC KLUANA, Yukon (CP) — Les alpinistes de l'expédition du Centenaire au Yukon ont été surpris dimanche par une tempête de neige. Celle-ci donne une bonne idée du temps auquel les alpinistes doivent s'attendre

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The Intelligencer  
Belleville, Ont.  
Circ. 14,896  
July 11, 1967

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Moncton Times, N.B.  
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July 11, 1967

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Lethbridge Herald, Alta.  
Circ. 19,027  
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The expedition schedule calls for the mountaineers to reach the summits sometime next weekend, at which time State Secretary Judy LaMarsh is to fly in by helicopter on an official visit.

Québec Chronicle-Tele., Que.  
Circ. 4,958  
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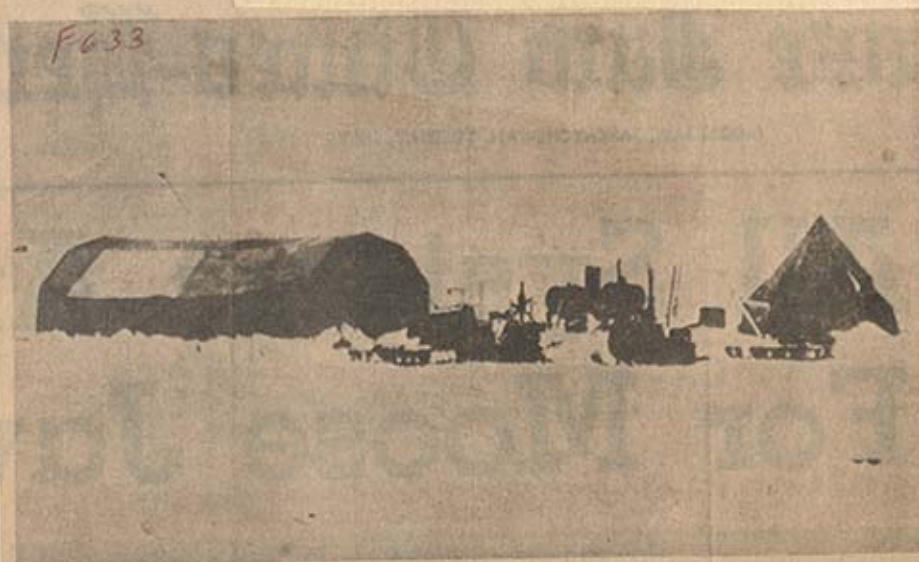


Moose Jaw Times-Herald, Sask.  
Circ. 9,100  
July 11, 1967

Pembroke Observer, Ont.  
Circ. 7,718  
July 11, 1967

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Timmins Press, Ont.  
Circ. 11,740  
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—(CP Wirephoto)

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Nelson Daily News, B.C.  
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Québec Le Soleil, Qué.  
Circ. 151,462  
July 11, 1967

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Ottawa Citizen, Ont.  
Circ. 76,467  
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Kitchener Waterloo  
Record, Ontario  
Circ. 45,413  
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Ottawa Le Droit, Ont.  
Circ. 38,048  
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Brompton Daily Times & Conservator, Ontario  
Circ. 7,048  
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Hamilton Spectator, Ont.  
Circ. 118,487  
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Kingston Whig-Standard, Ont.  
Circ. 25,662  
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Oshawa Times, Ont.  
Circ. 21,756  
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Galt Evening Reporter, Ont.  
Circ. 13,136  
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Sault Ste. Marie Star, Ont.  
Circ. 19,428  
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St. Catharines Standard, Ont.  
Circ. 32,008  
July 11, 1967

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London Free Press, Ont.  
Circ. 125,448  
July 12, 1967



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Centennial celebrations click

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Old "grey image" flooded with color

By GERARD McNEIL  
Canadian Press Staff Writer

Some elemental Canadian appetite evidently was awakened by the centennial celebrations.

The hunger for things Canadian has been expressed in a trail of shattered crowd estimates.

Color has flooded into the grey old image as the citizenry not only seeks, but provides, fun.

In a country where nationalism was always regarded as a foreign disorder, a song called Ca-na-da is suddenly the all-time best-seller.

The delighted self regard has flabbergasted officialdom who spent public millions to generate it.

As late as last Christmas, centennial planners were pessimistic. But no more.

The reason is that everything has clicked, including the turnstiles. Evidence was turned up in a Cross-Canada survey by The Canadian Press.

In winter, westerners lined up in tumbling weather to visit the Confederation train, whose drawing power had been considered dubious by some.

BIG CROWDS AT EXPO

Incredible crowds began to hit Expo '67 the day the world's fair opened and continued through the coldest May on record.

Ballet, theatre and folk companies touring on centennial subsidies have run into overflow houses.

With summer here, the fun has just started.

The voyageur canoes are sprinting east, leaving a trail of celebration along the 3,500-mile water route from Rocky Mountain House, Alta., to Expo.

Windpeg is preparing for the Pan-American Games, perhaps the biggest sports event in Canadian history.

An international balloon

race begins at Calgary July 6, taking over from the fabulous Stampede.

Rodeos, old home weeks, pioneer days, clan gatherings, blueberry festivals, ex-puls-dory races, company picnics all have the centennial tag this year.

About \$99,000,000 worth of cultural centres, parks, arenas, municipal swimming pools are being opened, all concrete hometown monuments to the centennial.

The eight Confederation truck caravans now touring

regionally are the basis for many a small-town holiday when they arrive.

What fascinates the centennial planners most is the degree of individual involvement.

Residents of Rathnelly Avenue in Toronto, for instance, beat the blue laws by declaring themselves independent and establishing The Republic of Rathnelly. They seceded from Metropolitan Toronto, set up barricades, and held a picnic.

LIVE TREES

The Sarnia Observer claims to have made centennial history—and undoubtedly did—by delivering a live tree with every paper May 9.

Enlightening excerpts from issues a century ago grace many newspapers across Canada.

A western pilot put the centennial flag on the North Pole. Similar antics are on schedule for the summer.

In the North, a Mackenzie River barge will carry a ferris wheel into the territories for the first time.

Dozens of climbers are preparing to assault a series of towering Yukon peaks, which will be named, if climbed, after the provinces.

The University of Saskatchewan will hold what it calls the first university class—a field course—in the study of Eskimos—within the Arctic Circle.

Saskatchewan is billing the July 20-22 official opening of

the multi-million-dollar Gardiner Dam as the nation's second largest centennial event.

In the Maritimes, Prince Edward Island is greeting summer visitors with folk singing and lobster dinners.

Naval squadrons from the seven seas are visiting ports from Halifax to Nanaimo.

Great tides of movement have laden scheduled flights and added to the length of trains.

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Vancouver Province, B.C.  
Circ. 106,501  
July 12, 1967

Rain, rockslides delay climb team

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Canadian Press

KLUANE LAKE, Y.T. — A rockslide blocked the highway at Mile 1,061, stranding some 40 carloads of tourists between there and Silver Creek. Several points along the Alaska Highway and brought further delay Tuesday to the Yukon Alpine Centennial Expedition.

The rains followed weekend snowstorms which interrupted completion of an airlift of climbers to base camps in the St. Elias Mountains. From there, 13 unclimbed peaks will be scaled and named for the provinces, territories and the other, "Centennial Peak."

A raging wall of black water at Silver Creek, on the south shore of Klusane Lake, tore a 20-foot section from the Alaska Highway. Silver Creek is Mile 1,063 on the highway.

The three camps indicate that all the climbers are well.

Brandon Sun, Manitoba  
Circ. 13,158  
July 12, 1967

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**N.S. Man To Partake As Mountaineer  
In Centennial Expedition**

HALIFAX — Commander Fred W. Crickard, RCN, of Bedford, N.S. has been selected as a member of the four-man team to make the initial ascent of 10,000-foot high Mount Nova Scotia. Cdr. Crickard is the only member of the team selected currently residing in the province and is representing Canada's Armed Forces in the expedition. The epic mountaineering and mountain exploration tournament is sponsored as a Centennial Project by the Government of the Yukon Territory and the Alpine Club of Canada. The expedition known as The Yukon Alpine Centennial Expedition will take place from 8 to 24 July in Canada's highest and most spectacular mountain area, the Icefield Ranges of the St. Elias Mountains which are located in the Yukon Territory near the Yukon-Alaska boundary.

A mountain range containing thirteen unnamed and unclimbed mountain peaks of between 10,000 feet and 12,500 feet in the Icefield Ranges of the St. Elias Mountains has been designated "Centennial Range" with the individual peaks named after the provinces and territories of Canada, except for the most outstanding one which is called Centennial Peak. The St. Elias Mountains are surpassed in height and grandeur only by the Himalayas and Central Andes mountains.

To mark, in a symbolic and appropriate way the coincident centenary of the Purchase of Alaska by the United States, and the co-operation and friendship between the two countries, there also will be an international ascent of an unclimbed peak on the U.S.-Canadian border by a team from both countries. The peak selected is 13,700 ft.

Mountaineering teams of qualified Canadian climbers, each representing a province or territory, and an international team to represent Canada and the United States will attempt the peaks selected.

Cdr. Crickard, presently serving in Canadian Forces Base Halifax in command of the Weapons Division of the Fleet School, is an experienced mountaineer. He has been a member

of the Alpine Club of Canada since 1964 and has climbed in the Alps, the Rockies, New Zealand and the Coast Range in British Columbia. Born in Vancouver, he is the only member of the team selected to climb Mount Nova Scotia currently residing in the province, and is the sole representative of the Armed Forces participating in this expedition. The other members of the team named to climb Mount Nova Scotia are Robert M. Paul, Vancouver, leader; Don M. E. Poole, Edmonton; and Maurice A. Tyler, Bois d'Urfe, Que.

Such an expedition is unique in the history of mountaineering and in Canadian sports and will be a national contest in which all the provinces can compete in friendly rivalry. The provinces or territories will compete on equal terms because the qualities that win the day — ingenuity, skill, confidence, and prudence — do not depend on size or wealth. As teams of the foremost climbers in Canada, representing each province and territory challenge the unclimbed summits their efforts will symbolize the unity and freedom which characterize the diversity of Canada, each pushing

into the unknown, each challenging and overcoming obstacles as they are met.

Peterborough Examiner, Ont.  
Circ. 25,769  
July 12, 1967

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**HELICOPTER BECOMES MOUNTAIN JEEP**

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Regina Leader Post, Sask.  
Circ. 64,008  
July 12, 1967

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Québec Le Soleil, Qué.  
Circ. 151,462  
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Le Soleil, Québec, mercredi 12 juillet 1967 \*\*



EN MONTAGNE — Cinq membres de l'expédition du centenaire qui doit faire l'escalade de montagnes du Yukon ont campé, hier, dans ces tentes à une altitude de 8,500 pieds, sur le glacier Kaskawulsh,

dans les monts St. Elias. Ce poste, connu sous le nom de Divide, est un point de transfert pour les alpinistes du centenaire qui doivent faire l'ascension de 13 pics vierges. (Téléphoto PCI)

Lethbridge Herald, Alta.  
Circ. 19,027  
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Vancouver Sun, B.C.  
Circ. 240,388  
July 12, 1967

Sarnia Observer, Ont.  
Circ. 17,430  
July 12, 1967

### Peak Attacks Go Forward After Storms

**SUN STAFF REPORTER**  
**KLUANE LAKE, Y.T.**—Centennial mountain climbers are under way again today after four days of delays caused by snow and rain storms here.

Rain during the last 24 hours followed weekend snowstorms which interrupted an airlift of the climbers to base camps in the St. Elias Range.

From the base camps, 12 previously unsealed peaks, named after Canada's provinces and territories, will be climbed.

John Kierstead, information officer with the Yukon Alpine Centennial Expedition, said five members of the party have been weatherbound at this Alaska Highway staging area since Saturday.

Another 11 members are at a second staging area called Divide on Kashaawulsh Glacier, about 45 miles east of here. The remaining 41 members are in three base camps at the foot of the St. Elias Range, nearly 100 miles east of here.

Names of the base camps, from where the actual assaults will begin, are code-named T. Bone, Prairie and Fundy. The three camps have reported the climbers are well.

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Kingston Whig-Standard, Ont.  
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Sudbury Star, Ont.  
Circ. 31,077  
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Sault Ste. Marie Star, Ont.  
Circ. 19,428  
July 12, 1967

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Fort William Times-Journal, Ontario  
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July 12, 1967

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Kitchener Waterloo Record, Ontario  
Circ. 45,413  
July 12, 1967

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Chatham News, Ontario  
Circ. 14,458  
July 12, 1967

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**Seven Local Mt. Climbers  
To Tackle Yukon Range**

Six West Vancouverites and one North Vancouver man will be among the mountain climbers headed for the St. Elias Icefield Ranges in the Yukon this week.

Participants in the two General Camps, established by the Yukon Alpine Centennial Expedition near the famous "galloping" Steel Glacier at approximately 5000-feet, will be: Frank Foster, 400 W. St. James, North Vancouver; Dr. Neal Carter, 1122 Millstream Rd.; Eric C. Brooks, 910 Keith Rd.; Joan Greenwood, 6894 Copper Cove Rd.; Scipio Merler, 4369 Erwin Drive and youthful "tigers" J. F. Tearoe (July 28 Camp) and Brian Thompson, 6095 Gleneagles Drive.

The General Camp facet of this imaginative and expertly organized Centennial project, designed to bring the magnificence of Canada's Yukon to the attention of the whole nation, follows the assault and naming of 14 unclimbed peaks in the same Himalayan-type mountain area.

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usual achievement in the whole concept of mountaineering expeditions. Participants accepted for the Steele Glacier camps will represent a cross-section of those interested in mountains, with attendance from South Africa, France, Switzerland, England and many parts of the United States. Famous climbers both active and semi-retired will mingle with dynamic young enthusiasts and the high-level camps, established at approximately 10,000 feet will offer an opportunity to the "tigers" to top Canada's Mt. Steele as well as providing take-off points for a number of other challenging climbs.



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Woodstock-Ingersoll  
Sentinel-Review, Ont.  
Circ. 10,068  
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# Judy's Coming Climbers Going Strong Despite Rain



Secretary of State Judy Lamh is expected in Whitehorse next Wednesday, July 19 and will overnight here before flying in to the Centennial Mountains Thursday morning to see the project as it nears completion. She is expected to leave the Yukon the same day for other scheduled appearances outside.

Despite the continued rain in the Kluane Lake area, the transport of climbers and camp supplies went on apace Wednesday for the Yukon Centennial Alpine Expedition.

Dave Fisher, director of the expedition, told The Star today that the last 16 climbers were flown in to their base camps Wednesday afternoon about one o'clock, and all provincial teams are now in and "going strong".

Some of the climbers who were taken in to the central peaks in the Centennial Range last weekend have already reached their high camps and some have been turned back by bad weather. The ten provincial teams, two territorial teams

and the team chosen to climb Centennial Peak will all be climbing at their own rate, according to conditions they find in their own areas, and will probably reach the tops to plant their provincial and territorial flags at different times.

Meanwhile, back at the staging camp at Kluane Lake, Mr. Fisher reported that operations for the main Alpine Club camp are going ahead well. All the tents and half the freight for the big camp were flown

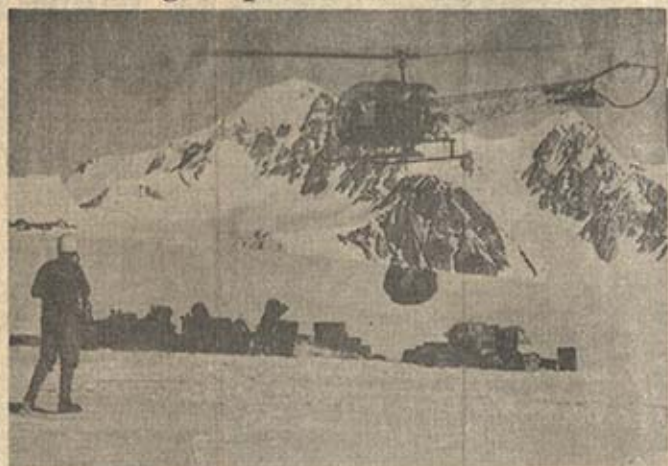
in Wednesday and the remainder should go in today. Plans call for airlifting the food supplies and camp staff in to the site near Steele Glacier on Saturday, in readiness for the influx of Alpine Club members over the weekend.

Heavy rain has not prevented the flying in of equipment up that particular valley as white-out conditions do not apply at that height. Mr. Fisher was hopeful that the job could be completed on time.

Charlottetown Guardian, P.E.I.  
Circ. 16,012  
July 13, 1967

Sherbrooke La Tribune, Que.  
Circ. 35,002  
July 13, 1967

## Avec les grimpeurs du Centenaire



EXPEDITION — L'hélicoptère est la jeep des alpinistes. Elle leur permet d'être ravitaillés en pleine montagne et même de transporter les membres de l'équipe. Il s'agit, ici, d'une scène prise dans le Yukon, à Kluane Lake, au cours de l'expédition alpine du Centenaire qui se poursuit durant tout l'été. (Telephoto PC)



### MOUNTAIN JEEP

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Vancouver Province, B.C.

Circ. 106,501

July 15, 1967

## Alberta team claims victory over first of 13 peaks

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Canadian Press

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Vancouver Sun, B.C.

Circ. 240,388

July 14, 1967

## 52 Climbers Dogged by Bad Weather

Sun Staff Reporter

**KLUANE LAKE, Y.T.** — Poor weather is continuing to hamper 52 climbers scaling the centennial range of the St. Elias mountains.

The climbers, members of the Yukon-Alpine Centennial Expedition, are divided into 13 four-man teams.

Each team has been assigned to a different peak in the range. Twelve peaks are named after Canada's provinces and terri-

ories and the 13th named Centennial Peak.

Expedition spokesman John Kierstead said the last climbers were flown to base camps Wednesday after being detained at the staging area here by two days of heavy rain.

Kierstead said after the break in the weather Wednesday, renewed rains struck the range — 100 miles west of here near the Yukon-Alaska border — forcing the teams to remain in the base camps.

He said radio reports from the range indicated that several teams which had arrived at their base camps earlier had done some climbing, but were also forced to return because of the poor weather.

The previously unscathed peaks range between 10,000 and 12,500 feet in height — Centennial Peak being the tallest.

## Centennial Climb

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Nelson Daily News, B.C.

Circ. 9,362

July 14, 1967

## Centennial Climbers In High Gear Again

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Radio reports from the Centennial range indicate that some climbing has already been done by several of the teams, but in each case, bad weather forced a return to the base camps.

A landslide and road washout which blocked the Alaska Highway at the south end of Klauane Lake Tuesday has been cleared, permitting freight to be taken in from Whitehorse, and the expedition is making up lost time in preparing the general centennial climbing camp at Steele Glacier for the third phase of the operation, scheduled to start Saturday. One hundred climbers are expected to arrive at Klauane Lake by the weekend to take part in the third-phase climbing camp. A second two-week camp will follow in August.

State Secretary Judy LaMarsh will visit the Steele Glacier camp July 20, and will also fly over the Centennial range. She is scheduled to arrive in Whitehorse July 19, then fly to an air strip at Burwash Landing on Klauane Lake the following day. From there, she will fly by helicopter to the general centennial camp.

Victoria Colonist, B.C.

Circ. 40,411

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## 633 Local Woman Climbs Mount Saskatchewan



HELEN BUTLING of NELSON, is one of four women presently climbing Mount Saskatchewan (11,387 ft.) in Centennial Range in the St. Elias Mountains, Yukon Territory. It is the only women's team. Left to right: Andrea Rankin of Montreal, Wendy Teichmann of Montreal, leader Gertrude Smith of Vancouver and Helen But-

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London Evening  
Free Press, Ont.  
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Penticton Herald, B.C.

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Edmonton Journal, Alta.  
Circ. 130,656  
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There are 13 four-man teams climbing peaks named after the provinces and territories with the highest mountain in the range named Centennial Peak.

The Ontario team was reported to be close to the summit of Mount Ontario, which is 12,200 feet high, and the Manitoba team has also nearly reached its 11,150-foot objective.

The Ontario team is led by Helmut Microy of Toronto and includes Alex Norman, also of Toronto, and Roland Reader and Sev Heiberg, both of Ottawa.

Manitoba's team is led by Vancouver Province editor Paddy Sherman and includes Duncan McDougall of Vancouver,

Don Forest of Calgary and Dr. Ray Denson of Saskatoon.

The team climbing 12,321-foot Centennial Peak reported that it has reached its high camp, a point on the slope from which the final assault on the peak will be made and will attempt to complete the ascent as soon as weather permits.

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One team found its planned approach to its mountain inaccessible and is waiting now to be moved by helicopter to a new location from which to begin the climb.

Prince Albert Herald, Sask.  
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July 17, 1967

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Yukon News  
White Horse, Yukon  
July 17, 1967

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Kirkland Lake Northern

Daily News, Ontario

Circ. 6,067

July 17, 1967

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Meanwhile, in the third phase of the expedition, 100 climbers arrived at Klauane Lake Friday and Saturday and have been flown to the general camp of Steele glacier for the first of two 14-day general climbing camps.

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Moncton Transcript, N.B.

Circ. 15,065

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Eleven climbers had been waiting since Sunday at the staging area campground at Klauane Lake for the weather to clear so that they could fly to the base camp located near the Yukon-Alaska border, nearly 100 miles west of Klauane.

The climbers are divided into 13 four-man teams. Each team has been assigned to a different peak in the Centennial Range, with 12 peaks to be named after Canada's provinces and territories, and the 13th named Centennial Peak.

The peaks range between 10,000 and 12,500 feet in height, with the Centennial Peak the highest.

Radio reports from the Centennial Range indicate that some climbing has already been done by several of the teams, but in each case bad weather forced a return to the base camp.

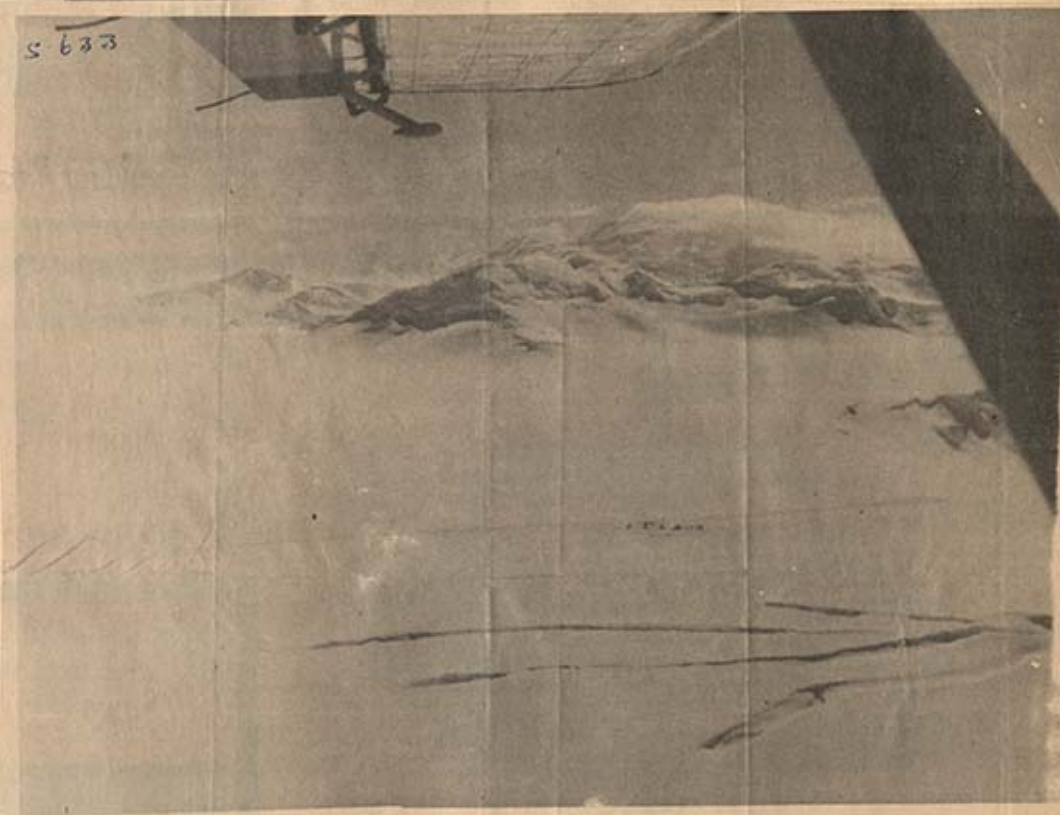
A landslide and road washout which blocked the Alaska Highway at the south end of Klauane Lake Tuesday has been cleared, permitting freight to be taken in from Whitehorse. The expedition is making up lost time preparing the general centennial climbing camp at Steele Glacier for the third phase of the operation, scheduled to start tomorrow.

One hundred climbers are expected to arrive at Klauane Lake by the weekend to take part in the third phase climbing camp. A second two-week camp will follow in August.

State Secretary Judy Glacier camp July 20 and will LeMarsh will visit the Steele also fly over the Centennial Range. She is scheduled to ar-

rive in Whitehorse July 19, then fly to an air strip at Burwash Landing on Klauane Lake the following day. From there, she will fly by helicopter to the general centennial camp.

Whitehorse Star, Yukon  
July 17, 1967



**DIVIDE CAMP IN THE ST. ELIAS MOUNTAINS** - The little black specks in the centre of the picture are tents set up thirty miles south of Klauane Lake in the St. Elias Mountains. "Divide" is situated at the 8000 ft. level in the midst of a sea of snow and mountains, and for six summer has been a turning off spot for scientists

with the Icefield Ranges Project. This summer the camp has co-operated with the Yukon Alpine Centennial Climb. Climbers are landed by fixed-wing aircraft on the landing strip shown in the picture, then taken by helicopter into their base camps. In the foreground are crevasses in the ice and snow. Star photo.

Moncton L'Évangeline, N.B.  
Circ. 10,216  
July 17, 1967

## A la conquête du mont N.-B.

**FREDERICTON** — Le colonel G. D. Dailley, co-président de l'administration du centenaire du Nouveau-Brunswick, a annoncé vendredi que l'expédition du centenaire Alpine au Yukon est déjà commencée.

Des alpinistes du Canada et des États-Unis participent à ce projet du centenaire qui se continuera jusqu'à la fin de juillet.

Les alpinistes entreprennent d'atteindre le sommet d'une chaîne de montagnes appelée

St-Elias, située près des frontières de l'Alaska au nord du plus haut mont au Canada, le mont Logan.

La chaîne, qui compte des sommets de 10,000 à 12,500 pieds, a reçu le nouveau nom de "Chaîne du Centenaire" et comprend un mont pour chacune des dix provinces du Canada et des deux territoires, y compris un mont nommé "Le Cime du Centenaire".

L'équipe du mont Nouveau-Brunswick comprend: Peter

Spear, Calgary; Stephen Bexruchka, Toronto; Christopher Gardner, Ottawa; et Robin Lidstone, Newcastle, N.-B.

Le colonel Dailley a présenté à M. Lidstone un drapeau et une plaque du Nouveau-Brunswick avant son départ pour l'expédition. Le drapeau et la plaque seront placés sur la cime du mont Nouveau-Brunswick qui est 11,114 pieds de hauteur.

Vancouver Sun, B.C.  
Circ. 240,388  
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Flag Happy.

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**Ordered in Another Remand**

The preliminary hearing in the case of non-capital murder was held today for eight days. Crown Prosecutor N.V.K. Wylie told police magistrate's court that another charge of non-capital murder was laid subsequent to the first one. Charlie is charged in connection with the fatal shooting of his mother, Grady Charles, at Pelly Crossing on June 28.

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Oshawa Times, Ont.  
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Peterborough Examiner, Ont.  
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## CLIMBER LEARNS OF HUSBAND'S DEATH

Mrs. Brian Cook drove napsy up to the 1202 border crossing on the Alaska Highway last Friday, on her way to the Alpine Club of Canada's staging camp at Klusane Lake with friends from Toronto... and it was there that tragic news of her husband's death six days before finally caught up with her.

Brian Cook had been leader of a Centennial climb in one of Ontario's Provincial Parks on Sunday, July 9th, when an accident occurred and he plunged to his death down a 400-foot cliff into a lake below. The CBC national news carried the report, but the name was deleted when it was learned that his wife had not yet been informed.

Mrs. Cook meanwhile, was driving north to join the Alpine Club's Centennial climb in the Yukon's St. Elias Mountains, with a party of friends. She was happily unaware of the accident which had taken her husband's life, and drove north to Dawson City, up over the Sixty Mile Road, then on to Alaska's McKinley Park, before heading back down the highway to Klusane Lake where she was expected on Friday night.

RCMP had broadcast a description of her car hoping to contact her on the trip north, but it was not until Mrs. Cook stopped at the border post that she was identified.

Friends at the Klusane camp were with her Friday evening and drove her to Whitehorse where she caught an early flight back to Toronto Saturday. The couple had been married only a few months.

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**CENTENNIAL CLIMBERS CHECK EQUIPMENT.** Two members of the Quebec Centennial climbing team are caught by the photographer at Divide Camp, prior to their being ferried by helicopter to the camp at the base of "Quebec Mountain". Latest reports say that five teams have al-

ready completed their climbs, including the Quebecers, but many of the climbers plan to stay in the area tackling other mountains. They have plenty to choose from - over 8,000 square miles of icefield ranges.

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## ALBERTA FIRST ON TOP IN CENTENNIAL CLIMB

The Alberta mountain climbing team was the first to reach the top of their un-named provincial peak in the Yukon's Centennial Range of St. Elias mountains.

The Albertans who planted their provincial flag on top of the 10,398-foot peak and named it Mount Alberta was led by Wayne Smith of Edmonton and included Dr. Gerald A. Wright, Lethbridge, Phil Dowling, Edmonton and Klaus Han, Calgary.

The Ontario team was reported as nearing their objective at the weekend, and probably on their way down again today. Climbing Mount Ontario in the Centennial Range, 12,200 feet high, were leader Helmut Miccoys, Toronto, Roland Reader, Ottawa, Alex Norman, Toronto and Sev. Hellberg, Ottawa.

Climbers on Mount Manitoba (11,150 feet) were also reported in good position, led by Paddy Sherman, Vancouver, with Don Foster, Calgary, Dr. Ray Denson, Saskatoon and Duncan McDougall, Vancouver.

Meanwhile, the British Columbia team has decided to relocate its base camp on the un-named mountain to be named for their province. After being flown into position at their camp, a study of the best route

decision to move to another starting point. What is to be called Mount British Columbia is 10,200 feet high.

Yukon Alpine Centennial Expedition officials stressed that the climbers were not racing each other to establish any claim of ownership, but were climbing under different conditions in each area. The height of the mountain does

not necessarily indicate how tough the climb may be; topographical features, weather conditions and many other factors to be considered as well.

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**ALPINE CLUB PRESIDENT:** Roger Neave head of the Alpine Club of Canada whose members are helping celebrate Canada's Centennial with a general camp-climb in the Yukon's St. Elias mountains, arrived in Whitehorse last weekend by train on his way to the staging area at Klusane Lake. Mr. Neave gave great credit to Dave Fisher, Toronto, the head of the eastern section of the Alpine Club, for his months of organization work on the Centennial Climbs and the Alpine Club's project, both being carried out this month in the

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## Canada briefs Alberta's climbers reach peak first in Yukon expedition

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Manitoba's team includes Don Forest of Calgary. The team climbing 12,321-foot Centennial Peak reported that it has reached its high camp, a point on the slope from which the final assault on the peak will be made and will attempt to complete the ascent as soon as weather permits. The weather in the Centennial Range has been bad almost steadily since the first climbers were flown in to the area last Saturday.

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been climbed previously, nor had they been named.

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Victoria Times, B.C.  
Circ. 36,306  
July 18, 1967

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Telegraph-Journal  
Saint John, N.B.  
Circ. 50,759  
July 18, 1967

# 633 Expedition Under Way

**FREDERICTON** — Col. G. D. Dailley, co-chairman New Brunswick Centennial administration, has announced that the Yukon Alpine Centennial expedition is now under way. Mountain climbers from across Canada and the United States are participating in this centennial project which will continue until the end of July.

The mountain climbers will attempt the previously unclimbed St. Elias Range of 13 mountains which are located near the Alaska border north of Canada's highest peak, Mount Logan.

This range, extending from a height of 10,000 to 12,500 feet has been renamed Centennial Range and includes a mountain for every province, the two territories, and one mountain called Centennial Peak.

Saskatoon Star-Phoenix, Sask.  
Circ. 45,641  
July 18, 1967

# 633 Doctor tackling unscathed peaks

A city doctor is celebrating Canada's centennial in a rather unique fashion.

Dr. Ray Denson, 1232 Elbert St., has joined forces with 51 fellow mountaineers to scale 13 unclimbed peaks in the Canadian Yukon. The mountains are situated in the St. Elias Range. The peaks vary in height from 10,000 to 12,000 feet.

When the climb has been completed, 10 of the mountains will be named for Canadian provinces and two for the territories. The 13th will be christened Centennial Peak. The project is sponsored by the Canadian Alpine Club, assisted by the federal government.

Dr. Denson is a graduate climbing member of the Alpine Club. His wife, Molly, is an associate member. There are several active members in Saskatchewan, but Dr. Denson is the only one competing from the club.

The doctor flew to White Horse last week and then on to Camp Divide. At Camp Divide he joined three other men. The team was then to be flown to the base of the mountain which it will scale.

Dr. Denson is a member of the Manitoba team. An all-female team from the west coast will tackle the mountain to be christened Mt. Saskatchewan.

"I think my husband's team is camping right on the

ice," said Mrs. Denson, interviewed after her husband left on his adventure.

"I'm not a good enough climber to participate myself," she continued. "I've only made one real climb and that was a small mountain—only 8,000 feet. It's very strenuous. You have to be in excellent shape. Even men who are tough come back dragging their feet. They really get beat."

"In general, the Alpine Club picks the safest route avoiding the spectacular. However, because these mountains are unexplored the climb could be dangerous. The snow is quite tricky and it is easy to fall straight down into a crevice. I am somewhat anxious although my husband went off confidently."

Dr. Denson will arrive back on July 23, if all goes according to plan.

South  
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Vancouver Province, B.C.  
Circ. 106,501  
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Canadian Press

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London Evening  
Free Press, Ont.  
Circ. 125,448  
July 19, 1967

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Cornwall Standard-  
Freeholder, Ont.  
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Calgary Herald, Alta.  
Circ. 87,140  
July 19, 1967

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## Five Calgarians in team to climb Yukon mountains

Five Calgarians are among 28 Alberta and British Columbia residents selected to attempt the first ascents of 13 mountain peaks with the Yukon Alpine Centennial Expedition this summer.

Glen Boles, Klaus Boerger, Klaus Hann, Don Forest and Peter Spear will be among 60 mountain climbers who will form teams for the climbs.

Approximately 320 mountaineering enthusiasts will participate in the expedition as climbing teams or camp members.

The expedition, unique in the history of mountain climbing, is receiving \$25,000 from the Centennial Commission, and further financial support from the fitness and amateur sports division of the federal health and welfare department.

Consisting of 12 teams of four men each and one four-woman group, the expedition will make the attempts in the area of the St. Elias Range in the Yukon.

Following the climbs, the peaks will be named after provinces and territories, with the 13th and highest to be named Centennial Peak. A 14th team, made up of four Canadians and four Americans, will try a first ascent of a major summit on the Yukon - Alaska border, to be named Good Neighbor Peak.

This climb will commemorate two centennials: Canadian Confederation and the purchase of Alaska from Russia by the U.S.

The event is being sponsored by the Alpine Club of Canada and will start June 19 with the Yukon - Alaska border climb. Centennial range climbs will

begin July 8, and a third phase, establishment of two general camps near Steel Glacier, will start July 15. Each camp will accommodate 115 climbers.

Taking part in the eight-man Yukon-Alaska climb will be Mr. Boles.

Mr. Boles left Friday for Edmonton from where he will fly to Whitehorse.

The team - four Canadians and four Americans - will meet at a base camp on the Alaska Highway about 150 miles north of Whitehorse. They will start their climb of the "Good Neighbor Peak" Monday.

## Centennial flag on Yukon mountain

WHITEHORSE—The first phase of the Yukon Alpine Centennial Expedition was completed, July 3.

An international party of four Canadians and four Americans made the first ascent of the south peak of Mt Vancouver on June 25. It is possible that this summit will be named "Good Neighbor" Peak to signify the two countries.

The Mt Vancouver massif which lies on the Yukon-Alaska border has three major peaks. The south peak has an altitude of 15,683, the central peak estimated at 15,700 and the north peak estimated at 15,800.

The north peak was climbed for the first time in 1949 by a party of four including Dr Alan Bruce Robertson who was a Canadian member of the recent International party to reach the south peak a week ago.

Five members of the international team crossed the massif to mark the first ascent of the central peak and four members continued to traverse to make the second ascent of the north peak.

The party approached the south peak by making a south approach to the SW Buttress. The route followed involved an ascent over a sharp broken rock ridge from base camp at 7,000 to camp one at 10,300. From camp one the route lay up a snow ice apron with several steep and exposed ice pitches, to camp

two located at 12,000 and camp three at 14,000.

From camp three the party was within easy access of the SW Buttress and via this to the summit ridge.

A centennial flag was left planted on the south peak and the flags of the United States, Alaska and Canada were flown in commemoration of the joint centenary of the purchase of Alaska and the Confederation of Canada.

While the ascent was made in good weather the descent was slowed by heavy snowfall and storm.

The party remained tent-bound at 14,000 for three days and at base camp for three days. The group were flown into the mountain by glacier pilot Phil Upton of the Arctic Institute of North America's Turbo Hello Courier and were returned from the mountain July 3 by Lloyd Ryder of Great Northern Airways.

Vancouver Province, B.C.  
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July 19, 1967

### Bad weather

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Montreal Gazette, Que.  
Circ. 137,735  
July 19, 1967

## Yukon Snowfall Disrupts Climb

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John Kolstead, spokesman for the expedition, said here the snowfall was primarily above the 17,000-foot level on Mount Logan and apparently had not directly affected the climbers.

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## LaMarsh Dinner A Sellout

The Liberal Association dinner in honour of Minister of State Judy LaMarsh is completely sold out.

The last of the tickets was eagerly picked up yesterday ensuring that the dinner will be fully attended at The Cellar dining room in the Edgewater Hotel.

An Alpine Smorgasbord is planned for the affair to mark the occasion of Miss LaMarsh's visit to the site of the Centennial Alpine Climb. All decorations will be on the Alpine theme including the centrepiece, an

ice carving prepared by The Cellar chefs in the form of a Yukon mountain.

Liberal President Ray McKamey said today that although the dinner is fully attended to the capacity of the room, Yukoners can still meet Miss LaMarsh at the public dance at the Elks which follows from 10 p.m. to 2 a.m., when she will be meeting the local people there. It is expected that Judy LaMarsh will give a short speech to the gathering there and she will also attend the Young Liberals' dance which is being held at the Civic Centre.

Both dances are expected to be well attended and tickets to the dance will be available at the door.

The Ray Davies Trio, including Jimmy Duplessis and Dave Burrows will be playing at the adults dance while the Clockwork Townies will be playing for the young people at the Civic Centre.

Miss LaMarsh expressed a wish to meet as many local people as possible during her brief stay here before she leaves for Burwash Landing to officially open the Yukon Alpine Climb.

Edmonton Journal, Alta.  
Circ. 130,656  
July 19, 1967

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Calgary Alberton, Alta.  
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## Canada briefs

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Toronto Daily Star, Ont.  
Circ. 358,326  
July 19, 1967

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Montreal Star, Que.  
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July 19, 1967

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The weather system which dumped the six feet of snow on Mount Logan could have another effect, Mr. Keirstead said. If it continued, there could be difficulty in getting the climbers out.

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Halifax Chronicle Herald, N.S.  
Circ. 45,070  
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Newcastle North Shore  
Leader, N.S.  
July 20, 1967

## Robin Lidstone Member Mountain Climbing Team

Robin Lidstone, Newcastle, is one of four mountain climbers representing New Brunswick in the epic mountaineering tournament sponsored as a Centennial Project by the Government of the Yukon Territory and the Alpine Club of Canada. It is taking place from July 8 to 24 in the Icefield Ranges of the St. Elias Mountains near the Yukon-Alaska boundary.

A mountain range containing 13 unnamed and unclimbed mountain peaks of between 10,000 feet and 12,500 feet has been designated "Centennial Range" with the individual peaks named after the provinces and territories of Canada, except for the most outstanding one which is called Centennial Peak. The St. Elias Mountains are surpassed in height and grandeur only by the Himalayas and Central Andes mountains.

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Mr. Lidstone is the only member of the team representing New Brunswick who resides in this province.

Mrs. Lidstone, the former Sharon Mann of Lower Chathead, left by car July 6 for Lake Klauke, Alaska, to join her husband and they will return to Newcastle by car, arriving August 1. She was accompanied to Alaska by her sister-in-law, Miss Sue Lidstone of Canterbury Kent, England.

## Climbers Stranded By Clouds

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Kelowna Courier, B.C.

Circ. 6,505

July 24, 1967

## OLSEN HEADS HOME

# Climbers Defeat Mount British Columbia

**Kelowna climber Byron Olson headed for home this weekend after taking part in a centennial climbing project in the Yukon.**

A Canadian Press staff writer was with the first four climbers to leave their base camp.

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The Centennial Range is about 100 miles from Klauane Lake, near the Alaska-Yukon border.

Although expedition officials were disappointed all 13 peaks were not scaled, they were pleased the climbing teams made such good progress in spite of hazardous conditions and poor weather.

Prince George Citizen, B.C.

Circ. 10,435

July 24, 1967

## Women Climbers Fail On Yukon Mountain

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Winnipeg Tribune, Man.

Circ. 72,546

July 22, 1967

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The State Secretary rests her case—Judy LaMarsh takes a breather during her tour of the Yukon Alpine Centennial Expedition Camp. With her were Roger Neave president of the Alpine Club of Canada, and Bud Orange, Northwest Territories MP.

## Climbers scale Mt. B.C. but Saskatchewan holds out

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Montreal Star, Que.  
Circ. 193,506  
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### JUDY RESTS

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**TIME OUT FOR JUDY:** State Secretary Judy LaMarsh rests on a rock during her tour of the Yukon Alpine Centennial expedition camp at Kluane Lake, Y.T. With her are Roger Neave, Alpine Club president, and Robert Orange, Northwest Territories MP.

Branford Expositor, Ont.  
Circ. 23,919  
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### Canada briefs

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Circ. 5,919

July 24, 1967

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Lethbridge Herald, Alta.  
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Several of the teams which did not complete their climbs were near the summits of their peaks when they turned back.

No accidents or injuries were reported during the two weeks the expedition lasted.

Kelowna Courier, B.C.  
Circ. 6,505  
July 24, 1967

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**Nelson Mountaineer Fails To Reach Top**

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Mrs. Butling, who is a member of the staff at Kootenay Lake General Hospital and who lives at Across Lake, Nelson, was one of a four-woman mountaineering team which attempted the ascent as part of a huge centennial project.

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Mrs. Butling, well known in local mountaineering circles, was honored by being the only member from the West Kootenay chosen for the centennial expedition.

She had climbed extensively in the Rockies and in the Purcells prior to leaving for the Yukon.

She is due back at work at the hospital early next month and among people anxiously awaiting her return are a large number of friends and a married couple.

Kamloops Daily Sentinel, B.C.  
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by Rusty Erlam

girl team could climb. Bad weather kept them at their high camp at 8500 ft. for a week.

The Alberta and Ontario teams came over to visit the girls at their high camp, and gave them a rousing send-off when they set out for the peak. They climbed for thirty hours.

"We left high camp Wednesday morning" Mrs. Butling said

"and we got back at 10 a.m. the next morning". During that time they had one hour's sleep.

"We hollowed out a ledge on scree, and spread out one aluminum foil blanket under us, another over us and another over our heads. We found the blankets quite warm... Then we all dropped off to sleep." After an hour they continued but eventually had to turn back.

## FIFTH CLIMBER?

Mrs. Butling said that she began to have the strangest feeling that there was a fifth person in the party and kept looking for her. She didn't tell the other three women at the time, but discovered later that Wendy Teichmann of Mon

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SOME OF OUR READERS ARE HAPPY! - A group of Centennial climbers stopped off at The Star back shop Sunday, on their way outside. Since they'd been in the mountains for two weeks they wanted to get caught up on the other climbing news. See story front, and special Steele camp photo and story feature in centre section. Star photo

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"We all came back wiser men" said Mike McCallum of Vancouver, the leader of ff the Centennial team climbing Mount Yukon. "I think every one of us underestimated the difficulties of the rock climbing and condition of the ice and snow. It was hellish".

McCallum was with the first group of climbers who were brought out from their mountains over the weekend and were making their way back to their homes across Canada.

Some of them had made it to the top and other hadn't. But the Centennial climb officially ended on the 2 nd of July, so there was no further chance.

The climbers passing through Whitehorse Sunday were principally from the western peaks, and had not been in close touch with the others. They were not sure if Centennial peak had been climbed, but they knew the four man team had been out 44 hours from their high camp, 40 of them spent in climbing.

They knew that the Manitoba team had made four attempts but were halted by a terrible ice couloir, or corridor.

The women's team was stopped on Mount Saskatchewan by a very narrow rotten rock ridge.

All the rest made it.

Helen Butling of Nelson, B.C., a member of the Saskatchewan team remarked that "It was tremendous country, but the mountain was too rugged and technically difficult for us". She said that of the two weeks they were on the mountain, there were only three or four days that the all-

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# CLIMBERS RETURN

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trek, who was with the group, had had the same feeling.

Other climbers told her later that it was not unheard of to have such hallucinations at that height and in an extremely fatigued condition.

"We had only one good day in five at the high camp," Mrs. Butling said. When asked what the team did the rest of the time she said "We spent a lot of time in the 'Ever-rest' position... flat in our sleeping bags... We had one book, which we took turns reading aloud to each other. The girls were extremely compatible."

## STILL CLIMBING

Two members of the girls' team did not return to Kluane Lake campground Saturday. Wendy Teichmann and Andrea Rankin of Montreal were taken by helicopter to the 10,000 ft. level of Mt. Lucania (17,150 feet), the leader of the climb on Mount Ontario, Stan Rosenberg, Roland Reader and possibly Klaus Boerger they were going to attempt the summit. Then they'll have a go at Mount Steele (16,440 ft.) from its high camp, before returning to the general climbing camp at Steele Glacier.

Karl Winter of Vancouver, who was with the men's team climbing Mount British Columbia, nearly got caught in an avalanche. At the 9200 ft. level an avalanche hurtled down 1300 ft. but Karl stopped himself with his ice axe. Another member of the team, Andrew Gruft, fell into a 20-foot crevasse on T Bone Glacier at the 7300 ft. level. His snowshoes jammed and stopped his falling further, and Ralph Hutchinson pulled him out.

The B.C. team had to move their base camp since the original climb was too dangerous to attempt.

"We made three reconnaissance trips," Winter said "and three attempts on the summit. The third time we made it and it was a beautiful day."

## YOO-HOO!

Leader Hutchinson added "The B.C. summit was so steep that only one man at a time could get on the top and the others had to be belayed by ice pitons.

But they were in high spirits. From the B.C. summit they started calling to the girls on Mount Saskatchewan.

"We were lonely" they said. At least, three of them called. The fourth, Karl Winter who was at the end of a rope at the time, used some good Anglo-Saxon expletives, ending in "Get me down!" He said later "I wanted to get to the summit and get the hell out of there."

Reviewing their climb, they said the snow conditions were extremely hazardous, with five inches to a foot and a half of fresh snow on ice, which cracked when they put their weight on it. They also ran into verglas, which is thin ice on rocks, particularly on the couloir.

"It was the most dangerous mountain I ever climbed in my life," said Winter, "and I've climbed from Alaska to the U.S. It was rotten through and through, and kept coming to pieces". Another added "It was the most dangerous climb I've ever made, from Canada to Peru."

The men tramped out the name "Judy" in the snow because they knew that the Secretary of State, Judy Lamash would be flying over Centennial peaks on July 20th. But she never saw it. The peaks were covered with cloud.

Don Morton of the Northwest Territories team had a kind word to say. "The St. Elias range is quite fabulous" he noted. The western (peaks) section had more rock than snow to contend with, and the rock was quite bad. You tended to avoid it and stay on the snow... It was extremely satisfying climbing."

## CLIMBED IN BLIZZARD

The N.W.T. team made two attempts at the summit. To get to their peak they had to climb near the summit of Mount Yukon, and did it in a complete blizzard.

"When we passed near the top of Yukon, Jim Ferguson got sick", Morton said "and I awoke into a snow cave. He waited four hours while the others descended to the base of Northwest. Then we went back and picked him up... That was sure a 27-hour day."

Anyway, we were very close to each other and did the peaks in beautiful weather.

## TASTES DIFFERENT

Speaking of the food, one N.W.T. climber recalled that it was difficult to tell the powdered potatoes from the powdered milk. "For two mornings in a row we had porridge with mashed potatoes on it instead of Kilm" he said.

The team on Mount Yukon got to the top on July 15, even though the snow was poor and the rock worse.

"We had five good days," said leader Mike McCallum. "One for flying in. One for reconnaissance, and one for the climb, which took 19 hours and 50 minutes." They took advantage of the other two days' good weather to climb another nearby mountain, which they called "Baffin".

## YUKON IS HIGHER

"We discovered that our mountain (Yukon) was actually 50 feet higher than Northwest Territories". (The original estimate had been 10,796 ft. for N.W.T. and 10,600 ft. for Yukon).

On their ascent McCallum said they had been going for one hour up a glacier which was badly crevassed, when "we were up to our thighs in slush and water. We all got soaking wet and still had 20 hours to go."

Jim White of the Mt. Yukon team came the nearest to grief when a rock dropped on his head. "But fortunately he was wearing a hard hat or he would have been dead" said McCallum. "That's how dangerous the rock was... We all felt a little discouraged with the rock."

Though the weather caused them to spend a lot of time in their sleeping bags, their stay was not all grim.

The climbers admired the foresight of the B.C. team in taking along a case of beer.

"And how about Alberta" said another "Every night they



JUDY LAMASH LANDS ON TOP OF MOUNT AIN. The Secretary of State, Judy Lamash was landed by helicopter on top of an un-named 9,800 ft. peak near Steele Mountain on Thursday. (See story)

Thomas photo

celebrated with Drambule."

## IT POPPED!

"Microys on Ontario had a bottle of champagne" said still another "and when he got back to camp he opened it, forgetting about the pressure. He sprayed the whole mountain."

The Prairie base camp which served Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, Ontario and Centennial climbers even had a flushing toilet!

Helen Butling described how the men had discovered a slab of marble ice with water running across and under it. "They made a seat of rocks across it... and we had a flushing toilet. What we did was set up a flag when it was occupied." Someone made a joking reference to contaminating the North American water supply. "It's okay" said a climber. "This was flowing the other way."

The climbers are game to try it all again, but earlier in the year. "What we suggest is taking scotch tape or cement or glue to stick the rock together" they said.

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"One of the great glaciated areas of the earth."

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Centennial Expedition for their "masterpiece of organization". Lady Hunt said she was enjoying the camp and climbing very much and added that Yukoners should realize how fortunate they are to have such magnificent wilderness areas. Behind them loom the ice pinnacles of Steele Glacier, and beyond that, the top of what has been called "Lighthouse Peak" which has been scaled by some of the climbers. They said "it has a nice bit of rock climbing!"

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THE ALPINE CLUB OF CANADA CAMP alongside Steele Glacier, facing north. Bright orange and green tents with flags waving make a cheerful picture near the base of some of Canada's highest mountains...the St. Elias Range in the Yukon Territory. Over two hundred people signed up for the two, two-week mountaineering camps being held in conjunc-

tion with the Yukon Alpine Centennial Expedition. The climbers on the provincial and territorial peaks were forty miles away from Steele Glacier camp. In the distance are some of the sleeping tents, centre below the flag is the radio tent, next the recreation tent, and right, the large dining and cook tent.

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STORY AND PHOTOS  
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**HEADING FOR THE MOUNTAINS:** Led by their eight-year-old pack, a group of Alpine Club of Canada members at their long upward journey into the mountains near the camp on Steele Glacier. The size pressures of the glacier, about 200 ft. high, are visible over the edge of the gravel bank. The climbers carry ice axes, ropes, choppers for ice sections and lots of warm clothing. High

camps have now been established on Steele and Walsh mountains, enabling the climbers to camp overnight and ascend the higher summits in the area. Many of the peaks are higher than those climbed by the provincial and national Centennial climber, they said. This party was led by Roger Neave, President of the Alpine Club of Canada. Star photo



**VIEW OF MOUNT LOGAN FROM CENTENNIAL PEAKS.** It's not often the Mount Logan, Canada's highest mountain (29,829 ft.) always itself to be seen, but last Sunday its summit was clearly visible above the clouds. Logan is a landmark among mountaineers, being the tallest of mountains covering a hundred

miles around its base. The clouds cover Walsh and Logan glaciers, and more mountains in the background part of the centennial peaks are draped with their summits drifting above the clouds. Down below it was difficult for the climbers--it was raining--temperature 34. Star photo

## Alpine Camp

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the previous and territories of Canada. "At of yesterday July 19" he said "above of the Pacific peaks had not been climbed...hush-hush, which has the women's team. Manitoba and Centennial...Centennial peak is encountering considerable difficulty, because of the different climbing techniques required (some rock, wood and equipment) has been much slower going."

He said the girls were still at their high camp Wednesday noon, at the 2500 ft. level, in the north U.C. Mountains had been climbed but since they had moved from their base camp to a spot closer to their mountain, they had been out of radio touch.

Mr. Fisher expressed concern about getting the climber out. "There's not one day to lose that we can get at them" he said, "but we hope to start tomorrow" Friday.

"It will be a miracle if all the peaks get climbed" he added. "I expect them all to be climbed in two weeks, when the mountains are completely snowed, would be a miracle...We will be satisfied if one of the three peaks are climbed."

The base camp was provided with food to last until July 27, and there with an additional four days' emergency rations.

If the helicopters were able to get to over the weekend, the climbers would be brought out.

**STEELE MT. CENTENNIAL CAMP**  
We then set out to explore "Peak Three" of YACB, which

is the general climbing camp on Steele Glacier. Here two, two-week mountaineering camps are being held, with climbers from all over Canada and the States surrounding.

Steele camp is situated at the 3000 ft. level alongside Steele Glacier, which flows from Steele Mountain, 21,644 ft. high. It is a long sloping alpine plain covered with moss and wild flowers, which quickly leads to the base of the snow-capped mountain. A fifty foot camp and rock bank separates the camp from the glacier itself, and when you climb up the rock bank, there is a solid drop of a hundred feet to glacier water below. On this a gigantic crash of brown, black and white ice-oozed ice making its way down the valley, for possibly an up 200 x 200 ft. in the air and there is constant sound of water spouting out of its sides into the water below, and of rocks falling and splashing. Now and then a deep booming sound comes from the interior of the mass, and more rocks fall.

The glacier can be seen from the tents of the camp, like some gigantic black and white lead traffic, visible over the rock embankment, something for another.

The camp has a large collection and dining tent, a recreation tent with wooden tables and benches, the radio tent, and many sleeping tents.

At present there are 127 people there, of whom 38 are women and staff, cooks, etc. All are members of the

Alpine Club of Canada, which each year chooses a different location to hold a general camp for climbing and mountaineering. This year they chose



**DAVE FISHER,** Co-ordinator of the Yukon Alpine Centennial Camp, stands on the rocky edge of Steele Glacier. He's been busy this weekend, getting the Centennial climbers out of their mountains. Star photo

Steele Glacier, to take place in conjunction with the Centennial climb.

There are 100 climbers from the United States with this group.

"They are a mixed lot, ranging in age from 16 to 65. Some of them have a point of experience with such as men and women in their twenties. A great many are in their thirties."

These are doctors, lawyers, scientists, professors, an M.C., a pilot, and many others. There are, also, a few students, some of whom are on their way to school.

**RAIRO TITUS LEON**

"I have taken out the applicant for climbing on the last field day...the Indian station at Klondike Lake. Dr. Maxine Haycock (with...Canadian mountaineers) want to know if there's a possibility that we can get in to point the last camp" said Klondike.

"We don't think in today's world Steele." The best thing we do would be for him to go to the Rayburn (mountain) at 3000 ft. and wait. Then we'll try to get him in tomorrow."

"Right, right, okay" said Klondike. "What's going on today?"

"We're expecting our secretary of state" said Klondike, "and it's not up to the helicopter. Today we're fixed up... tomorrow we're going to try to get some of the Centennial fellows out. What's the latest on the

weather?" Klondike later stated that no forecast was available for the centennial peaks are draped with their summits drifting above the clouds. Down below it was difficult for the climbers--it was raining--temperature 34. Star photo

"We'd thought you'd be important about us" said an American voice at Klondike. "You want our weather?"

"How could we ever forget you?" said Klondike. "Yes, give us the weather."

"Bad" said Klondike, and gave details.

Next door is the information tent. The tent has been set up with lines of Canada, tools and supplies used by the members, and a map showing peaks near Steele Glacier camp reached nearby Peak 1, Peak 2, Peak 3 and so on up to 8, and Glacier A, B, C. These are previously unclimbed (and so-called peaks over 3000 ft.)

Lines of prepared climbs for the next day are posted, and members put down their names on the climb they want to tackle. Then the Climbing Committee composed of James F. Tarrant, Chairman, John Ross, Eric Booth, Roger Neave, Bob Hind and Bruce Fraser, decides in the evening who shall go where, and once again posts the climbs and climber's names.

**NOIR FAMES ON BELT**

The camp has some very good climbing. Two of them are Led and Lally lines.



**CLIMBING ON STEELE GLACIER.** The two first figures of mountaineers climbing upward on the rock lower left, give some idea of the glacial size of the ice build-up on Steele Glacier. It shows above them for over 200 feet, and is twenty miles long. There is constant sound coming from the "galloping glacier", of water spraying out from its sides and running on the water below. New and over a deep booming sound comes from within the mass, and clouds of ice and rock can be seen to fall with a splash. Members of the Alpine Club of Canada are camped just below the leading party from the glacier and say it's the most fantastic thing they've ever seen. Star photo



**TRANS NORTH TUNBO AIR HELICOPTER,** piloted by Bill Showalter of Portland, Oregon, and maintained by mechanics at Klondike at Barabara, took the Star into Steele Glacier last Thursday. The turbo super-charged machine is ideally suited for work at high altitudes and can reach 20,000 ft. It's being used here for summer taking climbers into Steele Glacier, supplies and power-gens into the Centennial Survey of Canada and the University of Alberta Camps on the Steele Glacier, and making runs into Nellie Creek. Star photo



**HANS GRÖNBERG** of Barabara, Alberta, is one of the best-known mountaineering guides in Canada. He is hired by the Alpine Club of Canada to instruct and lead climbers on their various expeditions, this year in the area of Steele and Walsh mountains. In 1949, Grönberg led an expedition to the east peak of Mount Logan, Canada's highest mountain, 29,829 ft. Star photo

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Lady Hunt commented that people who still have such magnificent wilderness areas as are in the Yukon, should take steps immediately to see that they are protected. "You don't know how lucky you are," she told us.

#### NO ONE CONQUERS

I told Lord Hunt how much I had enjoyed his book, published in England under the title "The Ascent of Everest", and in the United States with the title "The Conquest of Everest."

"Yes I was upset about that title," he remarked quietly, and I disagreed with my publisher, in the mountains, no one ever conquers anything."

Eventually we thanked Lord Hunt and left, to visit more of the camp members.

Another well-known climber is Hans Gmorer of Banff, Alberta. He and his party were stung up the weather and trying to decide whether to start their climb in the late afternoon or wait until the next day.

We stopped by another tent and talk to another group who had completed a climb the day before. One was applying his feet and another was polishing his climbing boots, getting ready for the next climb. They were Dr. Adam Games of Saginaw, Michigan, Leo Smith and Ken Philip of Toronto and Harry Coulter of St. Peter, Minn.

A group of teenagers arrived back in camp down the long slope from Peak 2. They were Jean Logie, Pat Gooding, Brian Thompson of Vancouver and Hans Schwarz of Jasper.

"It was a long slog," said Brian, "but it had a beautiful snow ridge."

#### JUDY LAMARSH ARRIVES

At just about noon on July 20, two helicopters landed at the camp and Secretary of State Judy LaMarsh and her party landed at Steele camp.

At head of the federal Centennial Commission she was

making a flying tour of the Steele Camp and Centennial Range.

She stepped out of the helicopter wearing a blue wool dress, navy blue nylon and army boots. Accompanying her were M.P. for the Northwest Territories Bud Orange and M.P. for Bonaventure, Albert Bechar, who is Miss LaMarsh's Parliamentary Secretary.

She was met by Dave Fisher, Lord and Lady Hunt and Roger Neave, President of the Alpine Club of Canada.

The Secretary of State walked down the length of the camp, looked at the glacier, and had a nip with the members in the radio tent.

The climbers stood around rather shyly, but when Lady announced she was hungry, everybody tramped happily into the dining tent for a dinner of turkey, dressing, mashed potatoes, ham, carrots and pumpkin pie and whipped cream.

Getting ready for take-off again, an air force parita was produced, which Lady donned and struck a pose beside the helicopter.

"Look at me in my climbing clothes" she grinned.

The helicopters headed for the Centennial peak, but Steele camp members were betting that it would be too cloudy to see the mountains.

They were right. The Secretary of State's helicopter landed on top of another 9500 ft. peak near Mr. Steele, however, and Judy was photographed on the summit, dancing about and yodelling.

She returned to the camp to pick up Bud Orange, wished the climbers well, and asked Hans Gmorer to show her how to yodel properly. He obliged with a call that sounded more like Tarzan's yell, and Judy laughed.

"If there's anything you need" she told the climbers, "just holler... Where you are, we might not be able to do anything about it, but we'll sure try." And she was gone.

Members of the climbing camp returned to continue packing their gear, frowned at the clouds over Steele and Walsh Mountain, and speculated on whether they could make it in two days. Some of them went.

#### A DIFFERENT BREED

On our way back to Burwash in Trans North Turbo Air, we thought of what another helicopter pilot, Derrick Ellis had said. He is flying one of the two machines owned by Bullock Helicopters of Calgary, under contract to the Yukon Alpine Centennial Expedition.

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THE YUKON ALPINE CENTENNIAL EXPEDITION FLAG, with the Yukon's Coat of Arms on white, flutters in the breeze with the flag of the Alpine Club of Canada, at the general climbing camp at Steele Glacier. Bud Orange, M.P. for the Northwest Territories, visited the site last Thursday and is seen talking to the official Centennial Commission photographer, Jim Thomson, extreme right.

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VIEW OF THE GENERAL CLIMBING CAMP on Steele Glacier, looking south. The Alpine Club of Canada's tents are spread out along a sloping area which leads to mountains now being climbed by the members. The white mountain in the distance, still unnamed, was climbed by a party including Lord and Lady Hunt last Wednesday. Camp members think it would be a good idea if the 10,000 ft. plus peak were now named after Lord Hunt, whose party first ascended Everest in 1953.

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## Toughest-ever climb

# Brave men beat peak

By DAN MULLEN

The four men who braved a fall, an avalanche, and a plummeting rock to climb Mount British Columbia in Canada's centennial climbing expedition consider the peak their most difficult, says team member Karl Winter.

Winter, 27, was the first person to reach the 10,200-foot summit near the Alaska-Yukon border.

Winter, of North Vancouver, and Byron Olson of Kelowna climbed to the top of a 1,400-foot ridge over rock and snow, then descended to make way for partners Ralph Hutchinson of Nanaimo and Andrew Graft of Vancouver to reach the summit.

"We were lucky the weather broke enough for us to make the final assault," he said Monday in Vancouver.

"We had spent a lot of time in our tents below the peak waiting for snowstorms and high winds to stop."

On the way down a rock the



KARL WINTER

size of a football came loose and whizzed past Winter's, missing his head by only two inches.

It was the second narrow escape for Winter, who man-

aged to stay out of a wind-slab avalanche which started when he put his foot through a crust of ice into slushy snow beneath.

"I dug my ice ax into some firm ice and only slipped a few feet," he said, "but the avalanche went down about 1,300 feet."

The third incident happened on one of three reconnaissance climbs which convinced the climbers that they should move from the northeast side to the west side of the mountain.

Olson fell into a crevasse when a snow bridge collapsed under his weight. Winter and Hutchinson were roped to him on either side, and they held their lines firm until he was able to scramble to safety.

A helicopter was called in to airlift the four men to the west side of the mountain. After two reconnaissance forays they settled down to wait for good weather in which to assault the peaks from the west.

Winter said the summit was very narrow, a corniced snow peak with room for only one man at a time.

"We wouldn't normally have gone onto it because of the danger of falling, but we didn't want to let everyone down with the centennial and all."

Winter said they planted a centennial flag and a B.C. flag, then removed the provincial one and left the centennial flag permanently.

Mt. B.C. was the smallest peak of 13 tackled by 56 of Canada's finest climbers.

Most of the mountains have been conquered, but a four-woman team gave up its attempt on 11,387-foot Mt. Saskatchewan.

Meanwhile, four climbers conquered 12,321-foot Centennial Peak on their fifth attempt Monday.

The peak was the highest in the St. Elias Range where the centennial expedition was centred.

The climbers, led by Phips Broda of West Vancouver, were picked up on a glacier on the mountainside and flown out to Klauane Lake Monday night.

Another team led by Paddy Sherman of North Vancouver, editor of The Province, failed to scale 11,150-foot Mount Manitoba. They were also being flown out Monday.

Most of the climbers are expected to be clear of the area this week.

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A spokesman for the expedition said Broda and his mates were at the 10,000-foot mark on Saturday when Broda decided to try one more time.

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# City Climbers Forced Back

Twice a mountain-climbing team led by Province newspaper editor Paddy Sherman was within 150 feet of the summit of Mount Manitoba — and twice the team had to turn back.

"It wasn't that the mountain was too difficult, but the conditions were too bad," Sherman said today.

Sherman, of 192 East Queens, North Vancouver, was leader of the Manitoba team in the Yukon-Alpine Centennial Expedition.

The team tried to scale the

newly-named Mount Manitoba, an 11,150-foot peak in the Yukon's St. Elias Range, near the Alaska border.

"We made four attempts," Sherman said. "Twice we had to stop within 150 feet of the summit."

"The first time we were on an ice-slope that has high-high snow ready to avalanche."

"We were able to cut steps in the ice underneath — but the ice was rotten. We couldn't go on," he said.

Sherman said the second

time the team tried a different route but their advance was blocked within 150 feet of the top by an overhanging ridge of snow.

Other members of the team were Dr. Raymond Denison, of Saskatoon, Don Forrest, of Calgary, and Duncan McDougall, of 2572 East Fifty-fourth.

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Kelowna Courier, B.C.  
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Winnipeg Tribune, Man.  
Circ. 72,546  
July 25, 1967



## Judy takes a breather

State secretary Judy LaMarsh pauses in her tour of the Yukon Alpine Centennial Expedition camp. With her were Roger Neave, president of the Alpine Club of Canada and Bud Orange, MP for Northwest Territories.

New Westminster  
The Columbian, B.C.  
Circ. 23,876  
July 25, 1967

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Owen Sound Sun Times, Ont.  
Circ. 12,717  
July 25, 1967

## Mountain Climbers Attack New Peaks

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Barrie Examiner, Ont.  
Circ. 9,010  
July 26, 1967

Dozens of climbers are preparing to assault a series of towering Yukon peaks, which will be named, if climbed, after the provinces.

Montreal Gazette, Que.  
Circ. 137,735  
July 25, 1967

## Yukon Peak Defeats Montreal Climbers

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peak on the border by a joint U.S.-Canadian team.

The second phase concentrated on the 12 mountains, all named after Canadian provinces and territories.



Yukon News  
White Horse, Yukon  
July 25, 1967

# Climbers scale Mt. B.C.

Four women climbers on Canada's centennial climbing expedition have been defeated by a tough unclimbed peak near the Alaska-Yukon border. They attempted to climb 11,387-foot Mount Saskatchewan on the expedition's base in the St. Elias mountains.

The women are: leader Miss Gertrude Lillian Smith of Vancouver, Miss Andrea Joanna Rankin of Montreal, Mrs. Helen Butling of Nelson and Mrs. Wendy Farris Taichmann of Montreal.

Sunday night expedition co-ordinator W. Campbell-Ledingham said:

"The mountain was just too tough. It turned out to be a lot harder than many climbed by men."

Most of the other 12 previously unclimbed peaks tackled by 56 of Canada's top climbers have been conquered, but there is still no news from the teams on Mt. Manitoba and Centennial Peak.

First news of success on steep and dangerous Mt. British Columbia, 10,200 feet, came when two B.C. climbers were flown out of the range Saturday.

Karl Winter of West Vancouver, and Byron Olson of Kelowna, flew to Klauane Lake in the Yukon Territory from T. Bone base camp after two weeks of climbing.

With two other climbers they scaled Mt. B.C. after giving up a first attempt because of treacherous ice and snow.

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Phase one was the U.S.-Canadian ascent of Good Neighbor Peak on the Alaska-Yukon border. Phase two was an assault on 12 previously unclimbed peaks all named after provinces or territories.

The whole expedition is expected to be clear of the area by tonight.

Winnipeg Tribune, Man.  
Circ. 72,546  
July 25, 1967

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The Globe & Mail  
Toronto, Ont.  
Circ. 243,801  
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## 10 THE GLOBE AND MAIL 633 Female alpinists give up climb on Yukon peak

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Peterborough Examiner, Ont.  
Circ. 25,769  
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Evening Times Globe  
Saint John, N.B.  
Circ. 50,759  
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Welland-Port Colborne  
Tribune, Ont.  
Circ. 18,473  
July 25, 1967

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Oakville Daily Journal  
Record, Ontario  
Circ. 7,200  
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Barrie Examiner, Ont.  
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Windsor Star, Ont.  
Circ. 81,836  
July 25, 1967



JUDY RESTS — State Secretary Judy LaMarsh pauses in her tour of the Yukon Alpine Centennial Expedition camp at Klauane, Y.T. The first four climbers from the expedition assaults on 13 mountains in the Centennial range of the St. Elias Mountains were flown Saturday from their base camp in the range to Klauane Lake, signalling the end of the expedition's second phase.

Brampton Daily Times & Conservator, Ontario  
Circ. 7,048  
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Cornwall Standard-  
Freeholder, Ont.  
Circ. 13,515  
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Sarnia Observer, Ont.  
Circ. 17,430  
July 25, 1967

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Port Arthur News-Chron., Ont.  
Circ. 14,781  
July 25, 1967

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Woodstock-Ingersoll  
Sentinel-Review, Ont.  
Circ. 10,068  
July 25, 1967

## 4 Men Fight To Conquer 12,321-Ft. Peak

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Winnipeg Free Press, Man.  
Circ. 122,184  
July 25, 1967

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Vancouver Province, B.C.  
Circ. 106,501  
July 26, 1967

## Centennial was 'worst climb ever'

A weary-looking Phips Broda,  
arrived at Vancouver air-  
port Tuesday night after lead-  
ing a four-man team to conquer  
Centennial Peak on the  
Yukon-Alaska border and said it  
was the worst climb he had  
ever undertaken.

"The weather was unbeliev-  
able," he said. "Under normal  
circumstances I would have  
given up."

Broda said it was the inspira-  
tion of the Centennial challenge  
that led his group to success.

"We encountered very loose  
rock and bad snow conditions,  
constant blizzards and wet,  
old snowfalls almost continual-  
ly."

"We took so many risks, but  
we had a very safe group."

The mountaineers were on  
Centennial Peak for 28 hours  
before being lifted off by heli-  
copter. It was the first conquest  
of the 12,321-foot summit.

The climbers achieved their  
goal at the third try, having  
been twice beaten back—first  
by the weather and then by  
hat Broda called an impos-  
sible ridge.

Owen Sound Sun Times, Ont.  
Circ. 12,717  
July 26, 1967

## Battle Wind, Snow To Climb Mountain In Yukon Area

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Kitchener Waterloo  
Record, Ontario  
Circ. 45,413  
July 25, 1967

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Calgary Albertan, Alta.  
Circ. 34,395  
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Oshawa Times, Ont.  
Circ. 21,756  
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HIMMELSBACH, PURSELL, McDUGALL, CRICKARD, POOLE, BRODA and MOSS . . . home from climb

—Halsh Bower Photo

## Centennial Peak Climber 'Never Took So Many Risks'

"I have never taken so many risks, but we wanted to do it for centennial."

Veteran mountain climber Fips Broda used these words Tuesday night to tell why his four-man team battled blizzards to scale 12,321-foot Centennial peak on the Alaska-Yukon border.

He said in an interview that the successful climb, completed at 2:30 a.m. Monday, came on the team's third attempt.

Broda, of 4990 Keith, West Vancouver, said the risks included tackling loose rock and unstable snow. But there was only one mishap.

One member of the team, Jean Robert Weber of Gatineau, Que., tired from a 38-hour climb, fell and slid 200 feet in snow before coming to a stop unharmed, he said.

### NEVER CLIMBED

"Another risk in scaling these peaks was that they had never been climbed before," said Broda.

"We were never sure where we were as we climbed, because we had no charts from previous expeditions."

The peak was the highest of 13 climbed by teams of four each in Canada's centennial

climbing expedition during the past two weeks.

Seven Lower Mainland climbers — from five of the expedition's teams — arrived home by Canadian Pacific Airlines from Whitehorse Tues. day night.

From Vancouver were Brendan Moss, 5637 Wallace, Dunca McDougall, 2572 East Fifty-fourth, and Cmdr. Fred Crickard, whose parents live at 129 West Tenth.

Crickard grew up in B.C. and is now weapons division commander of the navy's fleet school in Halifax. He was the only member of the armed forces among the 52 climbers.

### OTHER CLIMBERS

Others returning included Broda, Don Poole of 1876 Duchess, West Vancouver, Norman Pursell of 2338 Ottawa, West Vancouver, and Werner Himmelsbach, of 1226 Sherlock, Burnaby.

Broda said his team faced almost continuous blizzards.

He and companions Weber, Klaus Boeger of Calgary and Stan Rosenbaum of Ottawa spent 44 hours on their first attempt to climb Centennial peak only to come out on a secondary ridge from which they could not cross to the peak.

Their second try landed them on an impassable ridge.

Their third try ended on the rock peak of the mountain, the leader said. There was a snow peak a few feet higher but they did not attempt it as the snow was unstable.

Bridgewater Bulletin, N.S.  
July 26, 1967

home at Atkins Corner recently.

## Selected as a member of mountaineering four-man team

Commander Fred W. Crickard, RCN of Bedford, N. S. has been selected as a member of the four-man team to make the initial ascent of 10,000-foot high Mount Nova Scotia. Cmdr. Crickard is the only member of the team selected currently residing in the province and is representing Canada's Armed Forces in the expedition. The epic mountaineering and mountain exploration tournament is sponsored as a Centennial Project by the Government of the Yukon Territory and the Alpine Club of Canada. The expedition known as The Yukon Alpine Centennial Expedition will take place from 8 to 24 July in Canada's highest and most spectacular mountain area, the Icefield Ranges of the St. Elias Mountains which are located in the Yukon Territory near the Yukon-Alaska boundary.

A mountain range containing thirteen unnamed and unclaimed mountain peaks of between 10,000 feet and 12,500 feet in the Icefield Ranges of the St. Elias Mountains has been designated "Centennial Range" with the individual peaks named after the provinces and territories of Canada, except for the most outstanding one which is called Centennial Peak. The St. Elias Mountains are surpassed in height and grandeur only by the Himalayas and Central Ades mountains.

To mark, in a symbolic and appropriate way the coincident centenary of the Purchase of Alaska by the United States and the co-operation and friendship between the two countries, there also will be an international ascent of an untraced peak on the U.S./Canadian border by a team from both countries. The peak selected is 15,700 ft.

Mountaineering teams of qualified Canadian climbers, each representing a province or territory, and an international team to represent Canada and the United States will attempt the peaks selected.

Cmdr. Crickard, presently serving in Canadian Forces Base Halifax in command of the Fleet School, is an experienced mountaineer. He has been a member of the Alpine Club of Canada since 1954 and has climbed in the Alps, the Rockies, New Zealand and the Coast Range in British Columbia. Born in Vancouver, he is the only member of the team selected to climb Mount Nova Scotia currently residing in the province, and is the sole representative of the Armed Forces participating in this expedition. The other members of the team named to climb Mount Nova Scotia are Robert M. Paul, Vancouver, Leader; Don M. A. Poole, Edmonton; and Maurice A. Tyler, Baie d'Urfe, Que.

Such an expedition is unique in the history of mountaineering and in Canadian sports and will be a national contest in which all the provinces can compete in friendly rivalry. The provinces or territories will compete on equal terms because the qualities that win the day — ingenuity, skill, confidence, and prudence — do not depend on size or wealth. As the teams of the foremost climbers in Canada, representing each province and territory challenge the unclimbed summits their efforts will symbolize the unity and freedom which characterize the diversity of Canada, each pushing into the unknown, each challenging and overcoming obstacles as they are met.

Newcastle North Shore  
Leader, N.S.  
July 27, 1967

### CLIMB SUCCESSFUL

The four-man team climbing Mount New Brunswick in the Centennial mountain climbing expedition in the Yukon has been successful in scaling the mountain named for this province. Robin Lidstone of Newcastle was a member of the team. Eight of the 13 peaks have been climbed, namely Mounts Alberta, Ontario, Yukon, Northwest Territories, Nova Scotia, Newfoundland, New Brunswick and British Columbia. Bad weather and snow conditions plagued the area for over weeks.

E633 WELL DONE

The hundred or more members of the Alpine Club of Canada who journeyed to the St. Elias Range for their Centennial Climb have been unanimous in their praise for the excellent preparations and planning done here.

When it is remembered that the same people organized the thousands of details to ensure a successful climb by the provincial and territorial teams climbing for the Yukon's Alpine Centennial Expedition this summer, some idea of the enormity of the task begins to come through.

Many people worked hard on these projects, from the Centennial Commission, the Alpine Club, the Territorial Government, and it is not fair to single out an individual, but we know that the others would agree that one quiet man deserves much credit for a job well done. He is Kurt Koken, of the Territorial Engineering staff, the administration's representative on the planning committee. He has been on hand like the Toonerville Trolley, to meet all the planes, buses and cars bringing the climbers to the Yukon, getting them on their way to the Kluane staging area, checking and providing long lists of equipment, and helping as a first class expediter for many months.

We hope somebody takes him for a flight over that Centennial Range as a final gesture of appreciation, when the expedition packs it up this week.

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### Judy Takes A Rest

State Secretary Judy LaMarsh, accompanied by Northwest Territories MP, Bud Orange, pauses in her recent tour of the Yukon Centennial Expedition Camp, near Kluane Lake, Yukon Territory. Her party was led by Roger Neave, president of the Alpine Club of Canada.

## Flag To Keep Lonely Vigil Atop 'Alberta's Mountain'

A brightly-colored Centennial flag now snaps a welcome in the breeze on a southwest Yukon mountain named for the province of Alberta, but one of the men who put it there doubts it will be seen for several years.

Klaus Hahn, of 369 Vista Court N.W., said Tuesday after returning from the 10,983-foot climb the mountain is too inaccessible and other peaks in the Yukon offer more challenge.

Cost of getting into the area — air transportation is required — means a full-scale expedition must be put together. It's just not a weekend climb, he says.

The climb of Mt. Alberta was one of 11 first ascents in the St. Elias Range during the last two weeks as a Centennial project of the Alpine Club of Canada.

Mountains named for all the provinces and territories except Manitoba and Saskatchewan were climbed for the first time. An all female team was turned back from Mt. Saskatchewan as was the Mt. Manitoba team which included Calgarian Don J. Forest.

Besides Mr. Hahn, the Mt. Alberta team included Wayne Smith, leader, and Phil Dowling, of Edmonton, and Dr. Gerald Wright, of Lethbridge.

Monday, as the team was preparing to leave the Yukon, they learned of the successful ascent of the Centennial Peak at 2 a.m. that day. Calgarian Klaus Boerger was a member of the Centennial team.

The Mt. Alberta climb was the first for the four men as a

team but no clash of personalities developed during the mountain assault, where teamwork is a matter of life and death, says Mr. Hahn.

### TURNED BACK

On their first 23-hour try of the mountain July 11, the climbers were hampered by poor snow conditions, then were turned back 150 feet from the summit ridge by a steep ice wall.

Two days later they set off in poor weather which at times resulted in near-blizzard conditions on the mountain. But with the aid of extra ice screws used to anchor their climbing ropes and crampons which enabled them to cross the ice, the team edged their way along the ice wall to the summit.

The men later learned theirs was the first successful assault among those on the mountains named for the provinces. (Two weeks previous a Canadian-American team had climbed Friend-

ship Peak on the Alaska-Yukon border.

After planting the Centennial flag — for which Mr. Hahn carried up a six-foot broomstick — and a provincial flag, the climbers photographed each other on the summit, then moved quickly back down in the extra light of the midnight sun.

The provincial flag was taken back down with the team and is later to be presented to the provincial government.

When all attempts on the provincial peaks have been completed, about 200 climbers and observers are expected to participate in climbs from a base camp set up near the surging Steele Glacier, 50 miles from Mt. Alberta.

A project of the Alpine Club, the Centennial Commission and the Yukon government, the climbs from the camp will continue until mid-August, but the assaults will have no Centennial significance.

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## Yukon Alpine Centennial Expedition

KLUANE LAKE, Y.T. (CP) — The mountains of Northwest Canada, like the region itself, are built on a grand scale.

Like much of the foothills and tundra stretching eastward for hundreds of miles, many of the great mountains of the north-west have yet to be touched by man.

With luck and perseverance, 52 Canadian mountaineers, members of the Yukon Alpine Centennial expedition, will in the coming fortnight take a small step in the rolling back of this frontier. They are setting out to conquer 13 peaks in the greatest mountain uplift on the North American continent—the Yukon-Alaska St. Elias range, 170 miles west of Whitehorse, Y.T.

The assault on the St. Elias range, which ranks in the world behind only the Himalayas and central Andes, starts this weekend from mile 1064 of the Alaska Highway. The assault, billed as the biggest mountaineering expedition ever launched, is a \$250,000 Centennial project conceived by a Yukon lawyer, Craig Hughes, and co-ordinated by the Alpine Club of Canada.

### PEAKS FAMOUS

The climbers are tackling a range that has been the scene of great mountaineering exploits.

It is an Arctic area laced with tremendous glaciers and including Canada's two highest peaks: Mount Logan, which at 19,850 feet is the second-highest on the continent; and 17,150-foot Mount Lucania.

The first successful assault on Mount Logan, in 1925, was one of the memorable feats of mountaineering history. In the winter of 1924, a noted Canadian climber, Capt. A. H. MacCarthy, and a sourdough guide named Andy Taylor worked for 79 days in sub-zero temperatures to establish a long string of supply depots and camps running into Mount Logan's base through wild, rough country.

In the spring, the nine-man main expedition spent 44 days on ice and snow, fighting blizzards to reach a level of 18,500 feet on Logan itself.

June 23, six of the climbers set out on the final 3½ hour assault, racing against the onset of vicious weather building up to the west. The descent to the base camp was a nightmare of frostbite, blizzard and nights spent huddled together in the open.

### OTHERS CONQUERED

During the 1930s and early 1940s, other peaks in the St. Elias range from 14,000 to Mount Lucania's 17,000 feet in height were conquered.

As well as being the scene of great climbs, the St. Elias range is the keeper of a tragic secret: the fate of 44 men aboard a United States transport aircraft that disappeared in the area Jan. 26, 1950, while en route to Texas. Despite one of the largest air searches in Canada's history, no trace of the plane was found.

The peaks designated for the Centennial expedition climb are between 10,000 and 12,000 feet high. The climbs will be challenging, and a major hazard may be the irregular weather common in mountain areas.

The mountains are to be called the Centennial range, with 12 peaks named after the provinces and territories of Canada and the 13th named Centennial Peak.

Victoria Times, B.C.

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## Centennial Peak Climbed

KLUANE LAKE, Y.T. (CP) — Four men Monday battled winds, blowing snow, swirling storm clouds and ice fields to conquer a 12,321-foot mountain in the rugged Yukon-Alaska border area to climax one of Canada's most ambitious centennial projects.

Led by Phil Broda of West Vancouver, the four mountaineers scaled the biggest and toughest of 13 previously unclimbed peaks being climbed by 56 Canadian and U.S. mountain climbers.

Word that the men had conquered Centennial Peak, in the wild St. Elias mountain range reached here earlier this week.

Edmonton Journal, Alta.

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## New Answer To The Old Question

VANCOUVER (CP) — Vancouver Province Editor Paddy Sherman has just returned from leading a climbing expedition in the St. Elias range of the Yukon.

The climb was part of a \$250,000 centennial project to mark Canada's 100th birthday. A group of 52 mountaineers scaled 12 peaks.

Mr. Sherman added a new answer to the often asked question: "why do people climb mountains?" — to which the standard response is "because they're there."

Said Mr. Sherman: "Such things will always be worthwhile so long as a society includes among its measure of value some activities that serve no useful functional purpose."

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# Ottawa Painter 'Capturing' Yukon's Centennial Peaks



**AFTER A DAY'S** outdoor sketching, Dr. Haycock does some touching up in the trailer. In the background is his shortwave radio equipment.

In quest of inspiration, Ottawa artist Dr. Maurice Haycock slipped the surly bonds of the city this centennial summer for a top of the world sketching tour of Canada's north.

Having been invited to join the Yukon Alpine Centennial

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*By Bill Ketchum*  
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Expedition, a joint project of the Yukon Territory Government, the Alpine Club of Canada and the Arctic Institute of America, Dr. Haycock plans to sketch some of the 13 peaks of Canada in the



**SKETCHING** at Barkerville, BC, en route to the Yukon. Now a ghost town, it was the largest city north of San Francisco and west of Chicago during its gold rush heyday of 1860-70. It is being restored by the BC government.



**DR. HAYCOCK** at Churchill Falls, Labrador, in the spring doing on-the-spot sketching for his official painting of the Falls.

Icefield Ranges of the St. Elias Mountains.

The peaks are being climbed by teams representing the provinces.

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**DR. HAYCOCK'S** base is a 17-foot travel trailer. It has sleeping accommodation for six and becomes a studio when the weather is too wet for outdoor painting.

Its modern equipment includes a built-in stereo system with AM and FM radio and tape recording facilities.

A radio "ham" from away back in the 1930's, Dr. Haycock has reactivated his amateur licence so that he can keep in touch with Ottawa during his northern travels. He can operate as VE3BDO either from the trailer or as a mobile station from his car.

Dr. Haycock, who painted the official canvas of Churchill Falls now hanging in the office of Premier Joey Smallwood in St. John's, Newfoundland, took time out from his painting expedition to fly to Labrador to attend groundbreaking ceremony at the site

of the Churchill Falls Power Development on July 17.

★ ★ ★  
**NO STRANGER** to the northwest, Dr. Haycock has made many trips to the Yukon and has painted before in the St. Elias Mountains. In the spring of 1965 he flew in and landed on skis from a Beaver aircraft on the Lowell Glacier to paint Mount Kennedy three days after it was climbed by U.S. Senator Robert Kennedy.

He has sketched along the Alaska Highway into Alaska, places in the Yukon as Dawson City, Bonanza, the Eldorado Creeks and Keno City.

For geographical purposes the 13 peaks which are to be climbed will henceforth be known as the "Centennial Range." It is to the north of Canada's highest peak, Mount Logan which is 19,850 feet high and only a few hundred feet lower than the highest peak in North America, Mount McKinley in Alaska.

Dr. Haycock started his summer of adventure by flying from Ottawa with his wife

Kay, for British Columbia, and then driving up the Alaska Highway to the Yukon.

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**DR. HAYCOCK** plans to visit Dawson City, the Keno Hill and Mayo District of the Yukon, Whitehorse, the Cassiar area of British Columbia and possibly the Peace River and Beaverlodge areas of Alberta and Saskatchewan.

A man of immense talent and diversified interests few will dispute the assertion that he is the most widely travelled of all of Canada's Arctic painters.

Over the years Haycock has been the constant companion of A. Y. Jackson in his painting excursions in the Barrens and other areas.

The Dean of Canadian landscape painters and Dr. Haycock met in the 20's when Haycock went North on the Beothic with another distinguished Ottawa geologist, the late Dr. Ludlow Jackson Weeks. On this Arctic venture, however, Jackson's fellow painter was the late Sir Frederick Banting.

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## Ontario Team Scales Centennial Peak



Helmut F. Microys



Alex J. Norman



Roland Reader



Sev Heiberg

Ontario provincial flags and crests were supplied by the government for use by the four-man team which successfully scaled Mount Ontario as one of the 14 peaks being tackled during Cen-

tennial Year. The Ontario flag was flown at the summit of the peak and the crests adorned the sweaters of the climbers. Mount Ontario is in the St. Elias Mountains, Yukon Territory.

Team members of the Mount Ontario climb were: leader, Helmut F. Microys, a University of Toronto lecturer in civil engineering, who has climbed major peaks in the Alps, Rockies and the Sel-

kirks; Alex J. Norman, partner in a Toronto public relations firm; Roland Reader, an electrical engineer; and Sev Heiberg, a physicist with the Defence Research Board, Ottawa.

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## Talking Business

### Alpine Sweaters

Sweaters designed and manufactured by Terry Williams Knitters Ltd. have been chosen by the centennial commission as official garb for the 56-member Canadian alpine team which is attempting to climb 13 mountain peaks in the Yukon as a centennial project.

The sweaters, round-neck pullovers in a blend of wool and acrilan, were designed by Terry Williams, company president.

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### Ottawa Climber Breaks Leg

WHITEHORSE (CP)—Roland Reader of Ottawa, a member of a Yukon Alpine Centennial Expedition team which scaled Mount Ontario in July, was taken off a mountain Thursday in the St. Elias Range. He suffered a broken leg while skiing across a glacier.

Mr. Reader stayed in the Southern Yukon after the expedition's climbs, which consisted of scaling 13 previously-unnamed peaks, to do some private climbing.

He was to be taken to a climbing base camp at Kluane Lake and then to a Whitehorse hospital.

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### Alpinist breaks leg on glacier

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Meanwhile, five other climbers are scaling Mount Walsh, in the second stage of the centennial expedition's project. They were operating from a base camp at Steele Glacier.

The expedition named the 13 peaks after the provinces and two territories, and the final one, Centennial Peak.

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ments as bread baking and wine making.

Part of the Centennial Commission's athletic program involves the climbing of the unconquered St. Elias range of Yukon mountains. Three-man teams from each of the provinces and territories will be invited to climb one of the peaks and plant their provincial flag at the summit. The highest peak will be climbed separately and named Centennial Peak. And to symbolize Canadian-American friendship, a joint Canada-U.S. team will climb an international peak on the Yukon-Alaska border.

Two unique sailfairs to the northern lands will be the flight of 500 light aircraft en masse from Abbotsford, B.C. to Alaska, the Yukon and return; and a joint Yukon-Alaska flotilla of private boats which sail from Lake Bennett, B.C. to Alaska. Another thrilling voyage will be a two-way north-

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Gallop over

## Glacier slowing

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EDMONTON (CP) — Spokesmen for an Alberta research team say the travelling days of Canada's "galloping glacier" in the south Yukon may be over.

The ice mass, Steele Glacier, holds the North American glacier speed record of up to 50 feet a day.

The Alberta team reported after a recent trip to the glacier, 175 miles west of Whitehorse, that it now was moving about one-tenth of its best speed.

"It looks like its in its dying throes," said J.A. Westgate, a University of Alberta geologist. "It'll probably stop some time this summer."

The glacier is estimated to be 20,000 years old. It covers some 50 square miles of Steele Creek Valley in the St. Elias Mountains near where the Yukon Alpine Centennial Expedition set out to climb and name 12 peaks this summer.



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**Ruth  
Bowen**

WOMEN'S EDITOR

### Centennial Mountaineering

To climb the highest mountain as a birthday present to Canada, alpinists reached base camp at Mount Steele in the Yukon by truck, helicopter and hike.

Miss Sylvia Evans, who has a list of alpine expeditions to her credit has returned from the centennial expedition at Steele Glacier, July 14 to 31.

They travelled 150 miles north and west from Whitehorse to Kluane Lake, driving along an old mining road. From Kluane Lake they were air-lifted by helicopter to within five miles of the camp and hiked from there.

They had erratic weather in fascinating country, says Miss Evans, country on so vast a scale photography was a problem.

Steele Glacier, on towering Mount Steele, has had the kind of upheaval that has set its ice in pinnacles. The climbers were lifted across for some expeditions while on the camp side were open ridges, some muskeg and alpine meadows in bloom with wildflowers. Some were familiar, some new to the climbers.

#### Airlift By Helicopter

Helicopters took in 50 passengers a day, two to a ride, and helicopter views were spectacular, so were the views from the far-side of the glacier.

They saw the white dall sheep, larger than the big horns, mothers with lambs.

The four Centennial expeditions commenced in June, the biggest mountain climbing venture ever mounted to an alpine area.

Centennial climbers from Alaska and Canada were first in camp, climbed Good Neighbor Peak on the Alaskan-Canadian border.

The Centennial expedition to peaks named for the Canadian provinces followed, then the expedition to Mount Steele. The last group of climbers is following the Alpine members who have just returned.

The expeditions were international. Lord and Lady Hunt arrived from England. Sir John Hunt organized the Everest expedition. He and Lady Hunt are visiting Canada in the course of a world tour.

Miss Evans has climbed in the Dolomites of Europe and joined numerous Alpine Club expeditions in the Canadian Rockies.

All camp equipment, from lumber to food and the propane gas for cooking had to be moved in by helicopter. She praised the Yukon government for the effort expended in this dramatic chapter of Canadian Centennial adventures.

# Crippled climber trapped 9 days

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**Special to The Province**  
**WHITEHORSE** — Mountain climber Roland Reader is in hospital here with both legs broken after surviving a nine-day ordeal in a tiny tent 10,000 feet up an unclimbed snow peak.  
One leg is so badly damaged following exposure to blizzards and sub-zero cold that he may

be flown out of the north for special surgery.  
Reader, an Ottawa man, was injured when a team of six climbers — four men and two women — were attempting the previously unclimbed Mount Leckiana, 17,147 feet, as part of Canada's Centennial Climbing Expedition.  
They were sking back to the

tent at 10,000 feet after carrying food higher up the mountain when Reader fell.  
Andrea Rankin, of Montreal, said: "We laughed at first. Then we heard Rolie gasp, 'I've broken my leg.'"  
The same day Reader was dragged on a sled of skins down to the tent 2,000 feet below.  
The team had no radio. They

were not expected back at the expedition camp on Steele Glacier for a week.  
Eight days ago, leader Helmut Mircroya, Wendy Farris Teichmann and Klaus Berger left the tent in a snowstorm to fetch help. They were trapped for 24 hours in a snow cave as they fought to reach Camp Steele.

Meanwhile, a HELP sign they had stamped in the snow outside the cave was spotted by a helicopter crew.  
Mircroya was packed up and directed the rescuers to the tent — a tiny speck on the mountain.  
They found Reader alive and in good shape. He was kept

warm by Miss Rankin and climber Stan Rosenbaum, who lay on either side of him.  
Reader was finally hauled aboard the helicopter in a makeshift cradle.  
At Steele camp he was treated by the expedition doctor and put under sedation before being flown to Kluane Lake north of

Whitehorse and then driven to hospital.  
The climbers had been in the St. Elias range near the Alaskan-Yukon border for several weeks attempting peaks in the Centennial Range.  
Miss Teichmann is the granddaughter of Sen. J. W. de B. Farris of Vancouver.

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**Hurt climber  
ready to go  
back home**

**Special to The Province**  
WHITEHORSE — Injured mountain climber Roland Reader, who survived a nine-day ordeal in a tiny tent 10,000 feet up a storm-swept peak, will leave hospital here Wednesday.  
Reader waited nine days for rescue on Mount Lucania, near the Alaska-Yukon border, after he broke both legs in a skiing accident.  
He and five companions were trying to climb Lucania as a private project after taking part in Canada's Yukon Alpine Centennial Expedition in the St. Elias Mountains.  
With Reader on the mountain were leader Helmut Microyes of Toronto, Andrea Rankin of Montreal, Wendy Teichmann of Montreal, Stan Rosenbaum of Ottawa and Klaus Boerger of Calgary.  
Hospital spokesmen at Whitehorse said Monday that Reader, of Ottawa, will return home to recover from his injuries.

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**Mountaineer  
from Ottawa  
recovering**

WHITEHORSE, Y.T. (CP) — Roland Reader, 26-year-old Ottawa mountaineer, is resting comfortably in hospital recovering from injuries suffered in an accident two weeks ago.  
Reader suffered a broken right leg and broken bones in his left ankle in a skiing accident on Lucania Mountain, Canada's second-highest peak, about 175 miles west of here.  
He and two other members of a climbing team spent 10 days in a tent high on Lucania before help arrived to bring him to hospital.  
The team went on to climb Lucania after participating in the major stage last month of the Yukon Alpine Centennial Expedition assault on 13 peaks.



MOUNTAINEERS HEAD FOR TARGET

# Huge Rocks, Bad Weather Stumped Nelson Climber

By GLEN ALLEN  
Daily News Staff Writer

Helen Butling is a Nelson track-roader to eight whose hobby is sky-scraping.

That is her hobby, sky-scraping mountains like Mount Logan, her hobby is sky-scraping.

Mrs. Butling, who has since the was a girl, gathered all over the Selkirk and the Rockies, last month spent a week near the top of the world on the Yukon-Alpine Centennial climb.

Twenty-two climbers from all over Canada attacked 22 peaks in the Yukon — where they grow mountains that are really mountains.

One of a four-woman team, Mrs. Butling and her sky-scraping colleagues drew Mount Saskatchewan — not a happy choice as it turned out.

The 11,300 foot pile of rock stumped the quartet on two separate tries from a high camp at 7,000 foot level.

On their first try to plant the Centennial banner — and Saskatchewan's flag — atop the peak they were "stopped by an immense rock pinnacle 30 feet high."

**2000-FOOT DROP**  
"It was a sheer face with a drop of 2000 feet on either side," said Mrs. Butling, who is physiotherapist at Kootenay Lake General Hospital.

The next, and last, try "we made at 1 a.m. and went up a different route."

Waiting for them frustratingly close to their target was a ridge of "rotten rock."

"We knew it would go like a house of cards if we crossed it," she said.

"Then bad weather was coming in again and it looked like snow, so very reluctantly we turned around."

"It took them 22 hours to get. We had to huddle together on a ledge on the way down when it started to rain."

But as soon as it started to rain, we shook the snow off and went on down. The last weather was a surprise. Fredy Tichman and Andrew Rankin of Montreal — said they had never been on "such hairy descents."

**NEAR LOGAN**  
Mount Saskatchewan — which was later reported to be more difficult than the peaks attempted by many of the teams of

men on the climb — was in the shadow of Mount Logan, the highest in Canada.

"To get there we first flew to Fort Klondike then flew 25 miles ago divide."

Then the party changed to the water and was camped up close to the base of the mountain.

"Then we had to hurry out equipment and supplies — we were in a hurry — effect of mountain climbing is getting to the mountain you know."

Then began more than a week — except for the two good days — of snow, fog, cloud and rain.

Mrs. Butling said over a foot and one-half of snow fell while they were camping on the mountain.

There was, she said no ventilation and very little winter to be seen.

"We saw one hummingbird, one butterfly and one snake looking to."

"But all the same everything was moving."

The 22nd the climbers had to protect their rock camp every day or two. The underlying rock wouldn't keep still.

**SLEEP LIGHTLY**

The women, who had prepared and practiced for the trip since last Christmas, had little trouble with the thin air except that "we slept very lightly."

No cabin fever either. "We just fitted in beautifully."

Mrs. Butling says with "more time and better weather" they probably would have reached the top.

"As it was we couldn't find the right approach."

"Then too I suppose we were very used to climbing without rain."

Mrs. Butling thinks of mountain climbing as any other sport — she is clearly not one of the "I climbed it because it was there" type.

"People ask me why do you climb mountains and I ask them why they play tennis."

"She says all one really needs to climb a mountain is "good clothes, good wind and the desire to get there."

"She herself didn't attempt the higher altitudes until her third year up. "Then I took a more cautious."

"As for being frightened she says "sure I'm scared on the mountain."

"People who aren't scared get into trouble."

"But then I'm scared when I'm driving a car."



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## Weather Halts Mt. Steele Climb

WHITEHORSE, Y.T. (CP) — Poor weather has halted a third attempt by an unidentified four-man party to climb Mount Steele, 180 miles west of here.

Campbell Ledingham, manager of the Alpine Club of Canada, said today the group was taken off the mountain Monday by helicopter.

Mr. Ledingham, of Vancouver, received a radio report of the failure at his supply post on Mile 1064 of the Alaska Highway.

The report from the base camp did not identify the four climbers who were flown Sunday to a camp high on the unclimbed mountain for their attack. Several groups of climbers were reported in the area.

The ice-bound 16,700-foot peak on the Alaska-Yukon border already has repulsed attempts by members of the Canadian Centennial Expedition to conquer it.

Mr. Ledingham said he does not think any more attempts will be made to climb the mountain this year.

The Alpine Club's two-week camp will break up Friday, he said.

All 80 climbers at the expedition's base camp at Steele Glacier will be taken out by Sunday, said Mr. Ledingham.

# Summit beats climbers of Mount Saskatchewan

When Andrea Rankin, 31, of Montreal stood on a snowy ridge on Mount Saskatchewan only some 387 feet from the summit, she felt she was on the top of the world.

Miss Rankin, one of the four members of the Saskatchewan Alpine Climbing team who recently attempted to scale the mountain in the St. Elias Range in the Yukon as a centennial project, never reached the top.

In an interview with The Leader-Post Wednesday, Miss Rankin explained the dangers, experiences and joys of being a mountaineer.

She arrived in Regina Wednesday morning from Whitehorse and intended to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Rankin of Moose Jaw before she returned home to Montreal.

"Mountaineering is sort of a business to me," the former French teacher at Sheldon-Williams explained. "There are countless decisions to be made. When you're up there at the top of the world the idea of a last frontier is appealing. There is within you a wild, independent



ANDREA RANKIN

feeling. And, as a matter of fact, I really don't consider it daring or dangerous."

The expedition, which began in July, was organized by the

Alpine Club of Canada. Financial assistance was provided by each province.

Miss Rankin joined 51 other climbers north of Whitehorse, where they were picked up by helicopter and were flown to base camps in the Yukon's mountainous region.

The members of the centennial climbing exposition were to climb 13 mountains, named after the Canadian provinces, the Northwest Territories, the Yukon and a centennial mountain.

Miss Rankin teamed up with three other women, one from Montreal and the others from British Columbia, and prepared to start out on a reconnaissance journey of the 11,387 foot Mount Saskatchewan.

All climbers were given two weeks to reach the summit of the various mountains.

Miss Rankin said that during the two weeks, only four or five days presented suitable climbing weather.

The remainder of the time was spent in sleeping bags and tents waiting for the rain, wind and snow to subside.

During one severe snowstorm, the women were caught on a ledge and were given no other choice but to remain there for better weather conditions. With feet dangling over the edge of a narrow ridge, they wrapped themselves in safety blankets (huge sheets of tin foil) and fell asleep for no other reason than extreme exhaustion.

The longest period spent on one trip up the mountains was 30 hours, Miss Rankin said.

Making their way up ice gullies and steep slopes with ice axes and spiked shoes, the trip to the top was almost completed. However, steep ridges and loose rock prevented them from continuing.

A little disappointed, they began the descent.

"Due to the conditions of the slippery rock, we got a bit more than we bargained for on our way down," Miss Rankin stated. "It was a bit harrowing."

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## Centennial Climber Breaks Leg Ski-ing

WHITEHORSE, Y.T. (CP) — Roland Reader of Ottawa was being taken off a mountain Thursday in the St. Elias Range.

He suffered a broken leg while skiing across a glacier.

North America's famed looping glacier."

The glacier is so named because in past years it moved up to 50 feet although this summer reported to be slowing and possibly would stop.

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ANDREA RANKIN FINDS CLIMBING TREE EASIER

—(Times-Herald Photo)

## Mountain-Climbing Event Tougher Than Expected

"The mountains were more difficult than anyone imagined, in the opinion of Andrea Rankin, a former Moose Jaw resident, of her participation in a Saskatchewan alpine climbing team's recent attempt to reach the summit of Mount Saskatchewan.

"They were middle altitude mountains, but some of the men who have climbed in Europe and other countries described it as the hardest and most tedious climb they've had."

The expedition was a private and secret organized by the Alpine Club of Canada. Members were to climb 12 mountains in the St. Elias Range of the Yukon, named after the Canadian province, the Northwest Territories, the Yukon and a tropical mountain. Financial assistance was provided by each province.

The expedition began in July. Helicopters picked up the climbers north of Whitehorse and deposited them at base camps on the mountains.

Miss Rankin is a member of the Alpine Club and has been

climbing for about four years. She said she became interested in the sport while skiing in Banff. She saw a film and decided to try it. She has done some climbing every summer since.

She was born in Moose Jaw in 1939 and attended Central Collegiate here. She took part in many sports and other activities, worked at summer camps and belonged to several local clubs. She graduated from the University of Saskatchewan in 1959.

She taught in Regina and spent some time in Quebec before going overseas to France, "where I picked up my oral French." There she became interested in skiing.

After she returned to Canada, she saw the film on mountain climbing. She attended a school for climbers which covers everything from walking up simple slopes to climbing sheer cliffs.

Miss Rankin heard of the recreational project through the Alpine Club and sent in an application. Applicants were selected for experience and compatibility. There was only one woman's team out of 13 formed and Miss Rankin said much consideration was given as to the advisability of sending women out alone.

"The other two women were older and had much more experience, being from B.C. When you're first on the rope, all the big decisions are yours. I think that, when there's men in the group, you're more reckless. We were careful; we made our decisions and carried on."

She said two weeks were allotted to the climbers to reach the summit. However, due to adverse weather conditions and extremely difficult routes, two teams did not reach their goal.

"Usually you start about eight in the morning and are down by four in the afternoon," she said. "We made two tries and

spent 20 hours on the mountain one time. The women moved from the base camp to a high camp, but we spent most of our time cooking and keeping warm."

She said the mountains were divided into four camps. Her group never saw the summit of the mountain they were to climb, being stopped by loose rock some 300 feet short of the 11,267 foot summit.

They climbed to a ridge some 300 feet below the summit and tried to bypass the loose rock by climbing an ice-fall. "But it was avalanching all the time. We finally decided, if we kept going, one of us was going to go over."

Out of the two weeks allowed for climbing, they had only four days suitable for activity. Miss Rankin said July is rather late in the year unless climbing is done at night. She said her group had attempted night climbing.

Climbers are business-like, she said. They always go well equipped, and take time to make decisions. Most climbers are out of their teens because of the experience and judgment required.

"Climbing is somewhat dangerous. You feel you are using all your physical stamina; it takes a lot of stamina. It's drawing on your mental faculties, too. You don't have the same problems as in social life, but you have to make certain decisions."

She felt climbing appealed to her because of the challenge involved, "and I guess there's a certain amount of escapism." mountains in Europe.

She would like to attempt Miss Rankin is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Rankin of 1811 Redland before she returns to Montreal, where she hopes to enter a new line of work, that of translating.





## Below The Hill

by DAVE BROWN

**THE PARTY'S ALMOST OVER:** Familiar face back in town this week belongs to Jack Goulding, Centennial Commission's regional representative assigned to Victoria, B.C. He's among many commission workers who have received notice that the party is ending and their services are no longer required. For most workers, it has been a two-year job and many thought the job would continue even after 1967. Some guessed when they took the short term but well paying jobs that when the last firecracker had been crackered they would be kept on to help with the paperwork hangover. That doesn't seem to be the case. Some high placed officials in Ottawa have received notice that their services end Dec. 31. Happy New Year.

**THE HILL:** Ottawa photographer Jim Thomson is back from a tour of duty with the Centennial Alpine Mountain Climbing Expedition — and is his face red! Seems that when Jim took the assignment he planned on flying to the Yukon, then taking a helicopter to the peak of one of those never-before-climbed mountains, and waiting for the climbers to arrive to have their pictures taken. He made one mistake. He met the mountain climbers before they climbed. They informed him in no uncertain terms that they would be most unhappy if they spilled a lot of sweat climbing a mountain and then found a photographer at the top. So Jim decided to do a real



job and join the climbers. The mountain they tackled was near Steele Glacier. It was 8,160 feet high. About 2,000 feet up Jim caved in under the weight of his camera equipment. Another climber took his equipment and carried it the rest of the way to the peak. That other climber happened to be a woman, many years Jim's senior, named Vera Norman. It wasn't all bad though. Jim started up the mountain weighing 188 pounds. When he got back one day later he weighed 172 pounds.

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# Forgotten Ones Of The Great Canoe Race

## Spectator Special

**NORTH BAY** — As the Canadian Voyageur canoeists sweep across Canada, bathed in publicity, a little group of Canadian Army Signal Corps officers and men accompany them — but few people know about it.

They are members of the First Canadian Regiment and dubbed "Voyageur Signal Troop."

And one man who is playing an important role is Staff Sgt. Elvin Veale, 46, of Hamilton.

**VEALE'S JOB** is to keep all the ham radio operators happy and to tell them of the 3,283-mile journey's progress. And more important, Staff Sgt. Veale keeps the Voyageurs in communication with their wives and families — a chore he has carried out "quite efficiently," according to Major Jean Pariseau of Ot-

tawa, since the canoeists left Rocky Mountain House, Alberta, May 24.

In his man radio truck the lurchy, but soft spoken Staff Sgt. Veale, explained the operation amidst a clatter of static, call numbers and mysterious looking equipment.

"There is both a military and an amateur chain of communications," he said. "By radio teletype, progress reports and special event reports are sent to pageant officials and to Canadian Forces bases across Canada."

The Hamilton soldier said a special transmitter is reserved for what is called "patching," — calls to wives and friends by paddlers and members of the signal corps.

"We're often in touch with other centennial groups," Staff Sgt. Veale said.

"We have a group of Mountain climbers in Alaska and a ham operator travelling in

Don Messer's band tuned in part of the time as well as the Expo station in Montreal."

**ALONG THE** canoe route, there are four signal trucks that form a network in front of and behind the canoes. These are in touch with several safety boats which travel the route along with the canoes.

Veale's 31-man unit is completely self-contained with a medical officer, cooks, maintenance men and 26 signalmen. They leave camp each morning before the canoes start (and that's early) and arrive at the next destination before the paddlers. One of the 30-year army veteran's proudest possessions is a log book thick with amateur ham operator calls from across the continent. He often talks with the defence station at Alert, 400 miles this side of the North Pole.

Yesterday afternoon a man called from Nova Scotia in a mobile unit and Staff Sgt. Veale was trying to reach the school of signals in Kingston.

"Amateurs all over the world are always trying to get in touch with us because of the special card we send out." The card designates the pageant and its location in Canada at the time of the call.

One of the most interesting aspects of Staff Sgt. Veale's career with the Canadian Army, 20 years of which have been spent with the signals, is the fact he met his wife through radio.

"I was in Egypt and she was in Germany," he said. "We got talking to each other, made a date, met a few weeks later in Europe and we were married later on. She's a pretty good radio operator, too," he said.

"And no matter where in the world you are, you can

talk to home." The big non-commissioned officer proved it by contacting his mother in Hamilton yesterday afternoon by "phone patch."

**ONE OF** Staff Sgt. Veale's special duties is assisting in testing new equipment aboard the 14 signal trucks. It includes VHF radios and nickel-cadmium batteries. One of the trucks is a complete repair shop equipped to handle practically any breakdown.

The Voyageurs arrived a day early in North Bay yesterday and last night, the army was chef for everyone.

The Northwest Territories canoe team promised the army officers and men and the paddlers a feed of Arctic char, a trout-like fish, at Sault Ste. Marie, but the char didn't arrive in time. It arrived in North Bay yesterday and Staff Sgt. Veale ate his share.

"We're really looking forward to the feed the town of

Mattawa has planned for us on Wednesday," he said.

**AT MATTAWA**, a little town rich in history and situated at the mouth of the Ottawa and Mattawa Rivers, 40 miles east of North Bay, the paddlers and soldiers are to dine on muk-tuk, the white meat of a whale.

"We figure we've made quite a contribution to the pageant," said Staff Sgt. Veale.

"Everyone of us has enjoyed it and while we'll all be happy to get home again, we're kind of sorry to see the end of the trip coming in September."

British Columbia and Manitoba crews led the Centennial Voyageurs into Champlain Park yesterday after crossing Lake Nipissing from Dokis Bay in four hours and 15 minutes. Ontario was fourth.

B.C. won the 31-mile lap race, finishing in pouring rain just 28 seconds ahead of Manitoba, which still leads overall.

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# Ruth Bowen

WOMEN'S EDITOR

## Home From Galloping Glacier

Galloping Glacier in the St. Elias mountain range in the Yukon Territories was the site of the second camp of the Alpine Club of Canada during the centennial mountain climbing expedition.

Miss Frances Losie has returned from the camp, 150 miles north and west of Whitehorse. They reached camp by bus, helicopter and a short hike, she says.

Helicopter lifts took the climbers across the glacier's high pinnacles of ice.

Miss Losie is chairman-elect of the Alpine Club of Edmonton, has been a member for 10 years.

She climbed the Matterhorn in Switzerland, climbed Mont Rosa on the Italian side of the Alps and in Austria went on an Alpine expedition climbing from hut to hut. This was during two years she taught children of Canadian army personnel at school in Germany.

In camp at Galloping Glacier, Mr. William Dougherty of Renfrew, Scotland celebrated his 72nd birthday says Miss Losie. A climber from Japan and a number of Alpine members from the United States joined the expedition.

# In the Icefield Ranges

... The Yukon Alpine Centennial Expedition

by Mary Spofford

**D**ISAPPOINTING NEWS met us in Whitehorse on July 28 after many of us had traveled two days by air to reach that point in our journey. Due to unusually heavy rains, the Alaskan Highway had three severe washouts between Whitehorse and our next objective, Mile 1061. To make matters worse, there were no hotel rooms available in town. The latter problem was quickly resolved by a gentleman whose job entailed expediting the members of the Yukon Alpine Centennial Group. He lodged us in comfortable quarters in teachers' and a newly built normal school.

The pessimists among us shook their heads dolefully and predicted a wait-over of at least three or four days. Whitehorse, with its interesting museum, exhibition of Indian crafts, and memorabilia of Robert Service, would be worth exploring, but the aim of our long trip was to reach the Centennial Camp on the edge of the Steele Glacier in the Mount St. Elias area. As our proposed stay for climbing the surrounding mountains was limited to two weeks, we begrudged the loss of a day or days. Therefore, we were happy on Saturday to hear that the washouts were repaired and the roads passable. We spent that night at Klusane Lake at Mile 1061.

THE NEXT DAY we experienced a variety of methods of transportation: first, a bus for 47 miles; second, a four-wheel-drive truck in which we stood upright to make space for our duffel; third, a helicopter, which flew us over the Denjick River between high mountains to within four miles of the Centennial Camp, where our own legs took over.

The Yukon Alpine Centennial Expedition was set up by the government of the Yukon Territory and the Alpine Club of Canada to commemorate the centennial of Canadian Confederation. The area—the Icefield Ranges of the St. Elias Mountains—was chosen for its spectacular beauty and grandeur, exceeded only by the Himalayas and the ranges of the Central Andes. It was an ambitious undertaking involving careful planning and equally careful administration of the program. Much of the success was due to the work of Dave Fisher, Canadian Alpine Club member and coordinator of the Yukon Alpine Centennial Climbs.

THE PROGRAM involved the climbing in early July of the Centennial Peaks (named

possible ascents down the valley, and these peaks were named Zero and Minus 1. As the main camp beside the Steele Glacier was located at 5600 feet, the climbs were from 3500 to 5500 feet in ascent.

Climbers signed up for trips the night before the climb, signing for two climbs but designating a preference. The climbing committee passed on the eligibility of the climbers and the lists for the next day's climbs were posted at 8:30 p.m. This was very often tough on a short woman trying to see the lists around, above, or below the hallways, down jackets worn by large men. In order to get an early start, many of the climbs took off at 3:30 a.m. to take advantage of frozen snow. There was enough daylight at that hour to do work with flashlights. In that northern latitude there were light from about 3 a.m. to 11 p.m.

Most of the climbs involved a fairly long approach to the mountain, a steep climb up a boulder and scree slope where the rocks were very unstable, and finally a balancing act on a snow ridge aided by crampons and with the party roped. Preliminary to climbing, most campers had been instructed by the guides at Snow School in techniques of crampon and iceaxe work plus the invertible knot-tying. In some cases the peaks (No. 6, No. 8, Terrace, Teepee) were situated across the impassable glacier and were reached by a helicopter assist.

The Steele Glacier is a very atypical glacier. It is known as the runway or galloping glacier for its daily speed of 50 feet. It is a massive river of ice, a billion and a half tons in weight, 20 miles in length, covered with dirt, pebbles, and boulders that are constantly dropping along with large chunks of ice from the main glacier mass with a great booming noise. The top of the glacier, 200 or 300 feet high, stands out in grotesquely shaped terraces or ice pinnacles.

A number of the better climbers at the Centennial Camp reached the summits of Mt. Steele (16,644 feet), Mt. Wood (15,285 feet), and Mt. Walsh (14,200 feet). These climbers were flown by helicopters to the high camps on these mountains. More climbing was accomplished during the second session of the camp because of good weather. The heavy rains that had washed out the

Alaska highway had also prevented climbing trips during that first period.

THOSE WHO ATTENDED the Centennial Camp felt most privileged: first, because of the administrative ability of the Canadian Alpine Club whose plans were well thought out and carefully executed—it is to the credit of the C.A.A. that no accidents occurred in these camps; second, because of the ability of the Harrison family and helpers to satisfy the inner man and serve needs graciously at all hours; third, because of the instruction and guidance by three of the best guides in Canada; and fourth and last, because of the choice of an area of spectacular beauty normally closed to climbers of average competence. The sight of rows of magnificent snow-covered mountains could be duplicated in few places other than the Himalayas.

We await with eagerness the showing of Hans Gmosek's movies of these climbs. If you have a chance to see them, do so, for it is an opportunity not to be missed. After all, it is a way to enjoy high-altitude climbing without the attendant high-altitude symptoms.

UNPACKING MY KIT, I discovered a variety of articles that proved unnecessary—insect repellent, mosquito-netting hat, and bathing suit. Instead of these I should have packed a repellent for those insistent little mosquitos, the ground squirrels or gophers. They covered tents and squaked away with anything edible or nonedible—bushies, socks, scarves, paper. They even nibbled at sleeping bags. We frequently saw them scurrying down their holes with trophies three times their size. They acted as though we were the invaders of their area and had to pay toll fees for our camping privileges. We will be missed in the valley not for our companionship but for our contributions to the gophers' diets and nests.

Mary Spofford, an *Onondaga Chapter* member from Fayetteville, says she is a grandmother, but her ice axe, red rucksack, and skillfulness almost seem to belie it. Other features of the Yukon trip that impressed her were the sighting of a *coar. jaeger*, the spotting of grizzly tracks, and the Canadian group's friendliness.

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your weekend magazine

A Time To Remember

Most of the articles you will find in Weekend Magazine deal with topical subjects, with what is happening in contemporary Canada and the people who are making it happen. On occasion we take a peek into the future and deal with things which seem likely to come about or we all want to see come about; prophecy, though, is a pretty risky business.

There is a third category. It is known in our trade as the flashback. This kind of article is historical but usually has some relevance to affairs of the day.

This issue of your Weekend is unusual in that we have two flashback stories. On this Grey Cup weekend it seemed fitting to recall that extraordinary football game back in 1939 in Ottawa's mud (page 2). Our Sports Editor, Andy O'Brien, brings that game vividly to life in interviews with such men as the incomparable Fritzie Hanson, hero of the day. Reading about that game you begin to understand some of the root causes of Grey Cup fever.

Such days help us, I believe, to keep our sense of perspective as Canadians. In this swift-moving era there are dates and years which remain signposts from past to future. One of the things I have found is that our younger readers, so bound up in the present and future, often so scornful of the past, are still fascinated by such articles. We found, for example, a great deal of interest in our series earlier this year on the great battle for Vimy Ridge, an acknowledged turning point in Canadian history.



Here's how Halifax newspapers reported the disaster.

A different kind of day was that of the awesome December disaster in Halifax just 50 years ago (page 20). Our staff writer Cyril "Swift" Robinson (he was there, though admittedly very young) tells about it. Again, our report is given largely in the words of people who were involved. Swift is a full-fledged Haligonian and one of those he interviewed, Francis Johnson, is his own father-in-law.

I first became interested in the Halifax explosion on reading Hugh MacLennan's great early novel, *Barometer Rising*. Today I find that the heroism of that day makes as compelling reading as ever. This was the way Canadians reacted in a terrible emergency.

Postscript To An Achievement

I had a wind-up note recently from the Yukon Alpine Centennial Expedition (Weekend Magazine, Oct. 7). I cite it as one more example in this remarkable year of our ability to undertake and carry out extraordinary projects. There was never such a mammoth mountaineering assault in history nor in such a remote area.

Sir John Hunt, who led the first conquest of Everest, and was at the Centennial Camp, called it an achievement he would not have believed possible. Despite bad weather, poor snow conditions, logistic hurdles: 12 unclimbed peaks overcome in the Centennial Range; 19 successfully scaled from the camps, 14 of them first ascents. And not a serious injury. We do get things done; well done.

Cray Ballantyne  
Editorial Director

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A fond look back at our wacky Centennial year

TWO SYMBOLIC Centennial flame-lighting ceremonies took place in Canada last New Year's Eve. One was on Parliament Hill. The other was in Bowsman, Man. The Bowsman affair was probably more significant.

Ottawa held a predictable, ceremonial lighting of the Centennial Flame by Prime Minister Lester Pearson. In Bowsman they burned the privies.

Bowsman's first sewage system opened in 1966 and on New Year's Eve they staged a bonfire of 33 outhouses. It was 29 below zero, and as the ceremony was about to begin,

\$12,000 landing pad for flying-saucers as one of 100 Centennial projects (it has doubled as a bandstand since). The other 99 projects included a goat auction midway through a cattle sale. Benevolent buyers kept giving back the two goats for re-auction, and so they were sold 17 times for a total of \$200. The only dissatisfied customer was the man finally stuck with the goats.

The Centennial train opened in Victoria, BC, on January 9 and by November had reached New Brunswick and had clocked 2,407,873 visitors. Another seven million had inspected the Centennial Caravans — eight convoys of trucks touring communities not served by trains.



The Centennial threatened to be stuffy — until Bowsman burned its outhouses.

2,000 people milled around Bowsman's five streets, dancing to keep warm. Rev. Jim Liles of the United Church murmured a eulogy: "The time has come to bid farewell to old and beloved friends who have held up their ends throughout the years." Then Cliff Nowlan, policeman and sewage-plant operator, lit the bonfire.

It wasn't the sort of ceremony that could have been suggested or arranged from Ottawa. John Fisher, who chaired the federal Centennial Commission, says, "We had arranged the formal events, the financing and other predictable things. But for a long time we were anxious."

Then Bowsman burned its backyard biffies. "It was the first extroverted, un-Canadian, fun thing to happen," says Jack Struthers, of the commission staff. "That was the first evidence that it wasn't to be a polite, government-run party."

It wasn't the last.

The great goat sale

St. Paul, Alta., bucking for the title Centennial Centre of the Year, made it clear it really was building a

Birthday peaks

Two hundred and fifty-five members of the Alpine Club of Canada spent part of the summer achieving their Centennial project: climbing all 13 peaks in the newly christened Centennial range of the St. Elias Mountains which separate Alaska and the Yukon. Frank Sheer and his son Eric, 9, announced their Centennial project was to climb Africa's 19,340-foot Mount Kilimanjaro but abandoned the climb part way up because of bad weather. Later, however, another climber, Dr. Lloyd Carlsen of Scarborough, Ont., cabled the Centennial office in Ottawa: "Happy to state I completed my Centennial project: I did climb Mount Kilimanjaro."

By Michael Hanlon

## Here is a peak that soars two miles above the Yukon

The idea was to plant the flag of Saskatchewan right on the icy top of this uninviting mass of rocks and snow, but the climbers were forced back when only 900 feet from the summit. The ascent took two weeks.

IT WAS ENOUGH to make a mountain goat blush. There, 8,200 feet up in the St. Elias Range in the Yukon, one of the most hazardous climbing areas in the world, was this line of ladies' underwear, flapping noisily as it dried in the mountain air. It belonged to the occupants of a nearby tent—two women from British Columbia and two from Quebec—who were trying to figure out a way to climb 3,187 feet higher to the top of this particular mountain, named Mount Saskatchewan, to plant Saskatchewan's flag atop the summit.

They never did make it, partly because rain forced them to shelter in their tent for several days, partly because the rock conditions were bad—either too hard to drive a spike into or too crumbly to enable them to get a good hand- or foothold—and partly because the mountain was a lot tougher than any of them had expected. They did get to within 900 feet of the top on one of their three assaults on the summit, but a narrow ridge of loose rock forced them to turn back.

Much of their two weeks on the mountain was spent waiting for the weather to clear. So what do four women do when they're huddled together for hours in a tent on the side of a mountain? They talk, mostly. They also shampoo their hair, labor manfully to get dirt out of their fingernails, sleep a lot, wash their underwear, take stand-up baths and listen to avalanches (54 in four hours).

"We were a very lively group and we had a lot of laughs," said Gertrude Smith, the Vancouver schoolteacher who was the leader of the team, one of 14 teams climbing in the St. Elias Range this summer as part of the Yukon Alpine Centennial Expedition. "We had plenty of time to get to know each other and we found we were a very compatible group."

Miss Smith and Mrs. Helen Butling, a physiotherapist from Nelson, B.C., had climbed together before but neither had met the other women on the team, Andrea Rankin and Mrs. Wendy Teich-

mann, both from Montreal, until their planes landed at Fort St. John, B.C., on the way to Whitehorse.

"I think perhaps the fact that we didn't know each other might have helped," said Mrs. Butling. "It gave us more to talk about, to find out about each other."

"We'd talk and laugh about anything," Gertrude Smith said. "The things we laughed about were usually silly things, like the fact that we'd worry about having dirty nails and shampooing our hair [Wendy Teichmann brought the dry shampoo]. We also talked about the 16 men who shared our base camp. And we would take it in turns to read to each other [one book they had on the trip: D. M. Le Bourdais' *Stefansson, Ambassador Of The North*]. And we would sleep. I can't remember when I've slept so much."

Still, they were there to climb, and whenever the weather lifted, they roped themselves together, grabbed their axes and made their way up the mountain. The first thing they had to do when they arrived at their base camp, which they shared with four other climbing teams, was to find their mountain. "There's nothing but mountains and glaciers in there," Gertrude Smith said. "We didn't want to find ourselves climbing somebody else's."

On their first day of reconnaissance it rained so hard they had to return to their tent and wait for clear weather so they could dry their clothes. The next day they probed as high as 10,200 feet, then found they were on a route that could not take them to the top.

Even when the weather was good, climbing conditions were tough. "That's a big, big mountain," team leader Smith said. "I don't think anyone realized how tough it was going to be. The rock was bad in a lot of places. I think it would have been easier if the climb had been made earlier in the year. The weather wasn't really all that depressing—on the nice days it was quite pleasant. But I'm afraid we didn't have enough of them to finish what we set out to do. And it wasn't really so very cold."

"It must have been freezing," Helen Butling said, "because the rivulets were frozen over in the morning. We had to remember to fill our pots the night before." She agreed with Gertrude Smith's comment that "it's such dangerous country you have to take every precau-



# And here are the four intrepid mountaineers who tamed it (well, almost)



"We had a lot of laughs," says the leader of the team, Gertrude Smith, who's doing the cooking. The others who challenged Mount Saskatchewan are, from left, Wendy Teichmann, Andrea Rankin and Helen Butling.

tion you can think of."

"Every move you make is hairy," Mrs. Butling said. "It's so steep and there are so many crevasses. And we found that, as four women climbing together, we had been so used to following the men in the past that we were extra careful."

She also encountered what might be termed Missing Person Anguish. "I kept getting this sensation that there was a fifth person with us. After we had bivouacked one night and were

getting our stuff together I was thinking, where's the fifth person? Why doesn't someone help her get ready? The odd thing was that this other girl, Wendy Teichmann, experienced the same thing. It's never happened to me before but I have read about it happening to climbers at high altitudes."

Gertrude Smith and Helen Butling came down from the mountains after two weeks, leaving Wendy Teichmann and Andrea Rankin to join a team tackling another mountain. Then they did the two things that all climbers, men included, had dreamed about: having a good wash and a cold beer (though the women had the wash first). They had a leisurely dinner and, while the male climbers continued drinking and singing songs that, even for the Yukon, might be considered risqué, Miss Smith

and Mrs. Butling took showers and sorted out their equipment for the final journey home.

But before she left the Yukon, Helen Butling hinted at the reason four women would spend two weeks trying to climb one mountain. "It may seem an odd thing to say, but it's so restful. It's like going back to babyhood—where time doesn't matter, or only insofar as it takes you a certain time to do something. For instance, we set out from our camp at seven o'clock one evening and climbed until 2 a.m. We didn't have to worry about time passing or about it getting dark because we had the mid-night sun. Time didn't matter.

"That's why it's such a wonderful holiday: because although you work damned hard you get plenty of rest. And, boy, did I ever sleep."





