

and his friends were often too keen to wait patiently for favourable conditions. Among the many great climbs done were some that have only recently emerged from their status as rock gendarmes, and it is as a brilliant rock climber that the author appears at his happiest. On the other hand he has a keen appreciation of ice, and one of his most exciting chapters is devoted to his very remarkable first ascent of the formidable northern ice face of the Triolet. Another stirring account is given of the descent of the appalling northern precipices of the Dru in the company of his friend M. Robert Gréloz. This undefeated enthusiast had only just returned from a discouraging experience on the Verte. Close to the top of that mountain he had been dislodged by a small avalanche and had fallen the whole way down the precipitous northern ice slope on to the glacier some two thousand feet below. Although badly knocked about and still suffering he insisted on taking part in the expedition. There must have been some anxious moments for the climbers during the long descent, especially when they had to calculate how much of their spare rope was left and how much of the vertical cliffs below them still remained to be tackled with it.

Such records as these are indeed interesting examples of what great adventures can still be found in the Alps by mountaineers who have not yet adopted the extravagant methods of totalitarian climbing.

The illustrations are effective, many of them showing the striking aspects of the Chamonix Aiguilles.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE ALPINE CLUB

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Club was held in the Hall, 74 South Audley Street, London, W.1, on Tuesday, December 7, 1943, at 6 P.M., Mr. G. Winthrop Young, *President*, in the Chair.

THE PRESIDENT announced that the Committee had elected the following candidates, namely: Mr. C. E. Arnison, the Rev. J. C. Hurst and Flight Lieutenant R. A. Irving, D.F.C.

As provided by Rule 29, there being no other candidates, the President declared the following elections and re-elections as Officers and Elective Members of Committee for the year 1944:

President: The Rt. Hon. L. S. Amery, M.P., in the place of Mr. G. Winthrop Young, whose term of office expires.

Vice-President: Mr. G. L. Bartrum, in the place of Sir John H. Clapham, C.B.E., whose term of office expires.

Re-elections: Mr. H. MacRobert, Vice-President, Mr. Bryan Donkin, Hon. Secretary and Treasurer, and the eligible Elective Members of Committee, namely, Mr. B. Beetham, Dr. N. S. Finzi, Dr. E. H. Stevens, Mr. Peter Bicknell, Flight-Lieut. Michael Harmer, Mr. Robert Jeffrey, Dr. G. Graham Macphee, Dr. George Salt, and Dr. C. B. M. Warren.

It was proposed, seconded and carried unanimously that Mr. Herbert E. Cooke and Mr. A. U. Sarpy be appointed Auditors to audit the Club Accounts for the current year.

THE PRESIDENT referred to the deaths of Sir Aurel Stein, an Honorary Member of the Club, elected 1909, and Major-General Sir C. Herbert Powell, who was elected in 1890.

The PRESIDENT then delivered an Address.

There were 85 present at this meeting, including a few guests.