

MAZAMAS NOW READY TO SCALE MT. BAKER

Famous Climbers Expect to Succeed Where They Failed Before.

MUCH satisfaction has been expressed by members of the Mazama Association and those interested in mountain climbing ever since the committee announced the selection of Mount Baker as the objective point for this year's outing. Mount Baker was visited in 1904, and those who participated in the climb were deeply impressed with the scenic grandeur of that region. Due to the fact the route chosen at that time lay along some of the most precipitous points on the mountain the party did not reach the summit.

Though two trips have been made since then to other peaks, it has always been the determination of the club officials to renew the attempt to scale Mount Baker. This year they confidently expect to reach the summit. The party, consisting of about 50 enthusiastic mountain climbers, left Monday night for Bellingham, Wash., from which point they proceeded the following evening to the end of the Government road, a distance of 55 miles. The trip was made in automobiles furnished by the Bellingham Board of Trade. Members of the party were the guests of residents of Bellingham Tuesday afternoon and evening.

Wednesday afternoon the Mazamas camped at the end of the wagon road, 11 miles from the permanent camp at the Meadows. At Bellingham, C. H. Skyles, chairman of the outing committee, met the party. The following afternoon the party of 50 reached the permanent camp without mishap. Though this point is only a mile below the summit, the ascent of the mountain will not be undertaken for perhaps a week, until all the members of the party have become accustomed to the changed atmospheric conditions. The time until then will be devoted to exploring expeditions, fishing trips and various excursions.

The camp site commands a magnificent view of territory for 50 miles to the south and east. From the vantage point of over 6000 feet above sea level the campers have a clear view all the way to Puget Sound. Snow fields lie on every side. The Meadows lie directly on the slope of Mount Baker and less than a mile from the summit. Bellingham residents who accompanied the Mazamas to the permanent camp have declared the camp organization and commissary to be excellent.

"Votes for Women" Club Is Next.

One of the Organizers Tells What It Proposes to Do.

PORTLAND, Aug. 3.—(To the Editor.)—Your notice in last Sunday's Oregonian about the social affair at my home on Saturday, where action was taken looking to the formation of a Woman Suffrage Club in Portland, seems to have aroused either anger or terror in some quarters, possibly on account of the rather startling headline "Invasion at Hand." I have received through the mail an anonymous communication—such communications are always anonymous—assuring me that as an effort to our proposed Votes for Women Club, a rotten-egg club has been organized and that we shall be "orthologically ornamented and pungently perfumed" when in the judgment of the writer, of course, we shall become public nuisances by assisting our English sisters. The R. E. C. (the initials make a very felicitous name for such a party or person) may serve as an appropriate rallying center for the opposition to woman suffrage. Its operations would instantly bring to our support all the decent citizenship of the community, which is now only quietly favorable or indifferently waiting to see whether women really do want to vote. But for the actual receipt of the letter, I should not have imagined there was even one person in Portland with the venom and the folly to utter such a threat, which could have no other effect upon women than to stimulate them to show their colors and stand up for the principle of equal rights.

But to return to the little gathering which has served to furnish a mild off-season excitement. I invited such of my personal friends as I could hastily reach to meet a personal friend from California who was passing through the city on her way from Seattle. Mrs. Park lives in Palo Alto and is taking courses of lectures at Stanford, where her son and daughter are undergraduates. She is an officer in the California State Woman Suffrage Association, and is president of the Palo Alto Votes for Women Club, which I had the honor of helping to form during my visit to her home in April. We congratulated ourselves upon the choice of a name which shows exactly what suffragists want and implies that they regard their question as no longer academic, but practical. Naturally at this little social party the talk turned on the suffrage work and all present except two out-of-town visitors expressed themselves as in favor of a local woman suffrage club, and gave their names as a nucleus for an organization to be effected later. It was decided to call it the Portland Votes for Women Club; thus we will have here the second club with this name, which I predict will be exceedingly popular with future organizations to be formed. It is a sort of Odion's test keeping out the imbeciles, the prejudiced and the half-hearted. However, even the name is tentative and will be subject to change when the constitution is adopted.

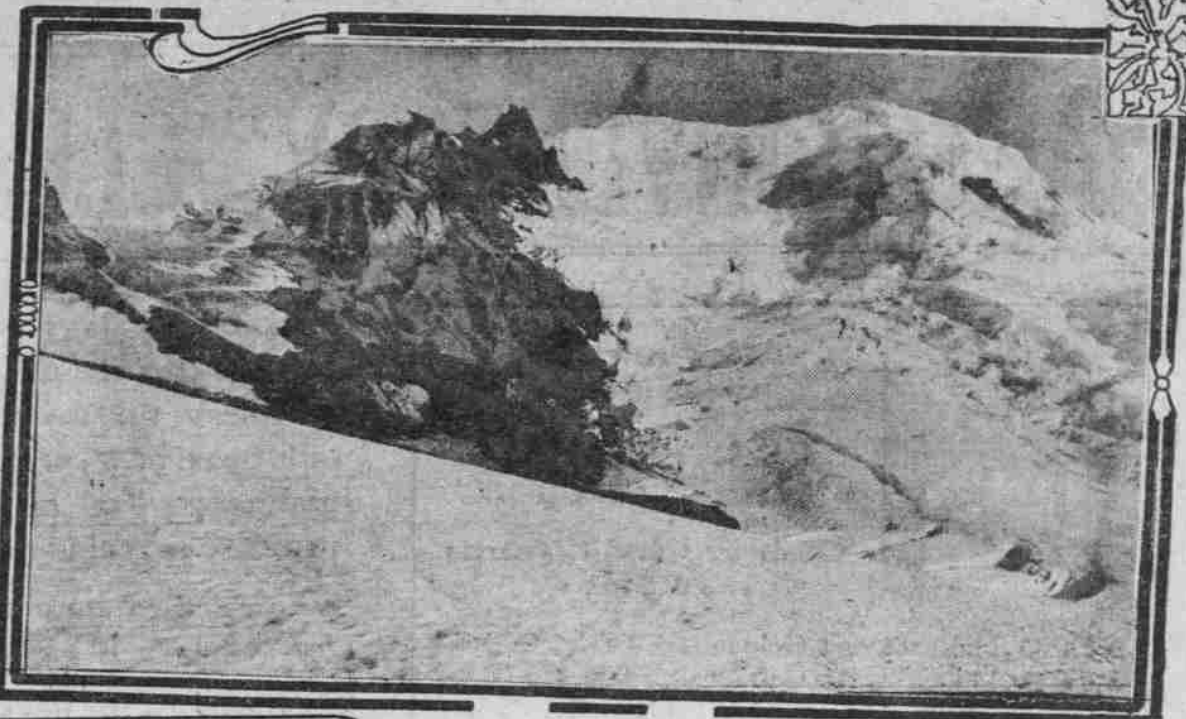
What will be the programme and methods of the Portland Votes for Women Club cannot be known until they are decided after the organization is perfected. If the personnel as it grows keeps up the quality it has at its inception it will probably be an honor and an inspiration to our city. If it merely keeps its membership informed as to the true significance and growth of this international movement which is gathering up the women of the world in its onward march, it will bring Portland up to date in this matter, for it would be hard to find another city of the importance of Portland which has not such a club under some name or other. The name matters little if every woman who believes in the cause will do her best for it. To waste energy in opposing the methods of others who are working to the same professed end is to invite suspicion as to one's own sincerity. Since we have as chairman pro tem, one of Portland's women lawyers and another to help prepare its constitution, it is fair to assume that we intend to be law-abiding.

The few people who thus spontaneously took the initiative do not intend the organization shall be completed until the summer vacation is over and all have a chance to become charter members who will. Anyone who sends name and address to Mrs. J. Louis Stockbridge, Haver Apartments, will be informed of the time and place of the first meeting, and will have an opportunity to share the policy of the club and to elect its permanent officers.

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