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Publisher: nobody. And that's the problem. Has anybody heard anything from Rick Rigg? He seems to have gone off with vital parts of the new grotto mimeograph.

SO ----- more makeshifts when we ought to be really rolling. Particular thanks to the Larsons and the Oregon Grotto for use of their mimeograph for the September-October issue. Lots of material, lots of trips - and no way to publish it. Hope we can start the new year off right. Meanwhile:

COMING EVENTS

December 15 - Regular meeting, Hallidays, 8 PM; 1117 36th Ave. E.

December ? - Jan. ? Possible California trip. Contact Ron Pflum ME 2-4898.

December ? Paradise Ice Caves. Contact Charley Anderson (days) MA 2-4050. His new address; Apt. 607, 1214 8th Ave.

48 The Seattle Times Thursday, November 27, 1969

Snoqualmie-Area Climbers Warned

The Forest Service and the King County Public Safety Department have issued a warning to people who may try a winter climb to the peak of Snoqualmie Mountain.

There is a large avalanche path on the southwest side of the mountain which is controlled by shots from a 75mm. Army field-artillery rifle.

The gun is fired at the upper southwest face of the mountain and at the upper end of Cave Ridge from the

Alpental ski area.

"It would be extremely dangerous for anyone to be on Snoqualmie Mountain or Cave Ridge when this control action takes place," according to W. Ellis Gross, a North Bend ranger. The shots usually are fired between 7 and 9 A. M. by Ken White, a snow ranger.

Gross said the gun's shell has about two pounds of TNT in its warhead and explodes on contact with the snow. It scatters shrapnel over hundreds of feet, he said.

Climbers should check with the Forest Service in North Bend, at the Snoqualmie Pass summit, or at the Alpental ski area, before going on the peak in the winter.

They should check on the day of their climb because the shooting is done as needed and not according to a schedule.

