

position of Secretary-Treasurer during the first five years of the Society's existence and conducted its affairs with a business ability and tact which led to general regret on his withdrawal from the office.

Two of the lady members, Miss Fowler and Miss Wickwire, have been constant in attendance and zealous in the work of the Club from the first. The presence of these two ladies in the group of self-sacrificing toilers on whom the chief burden always falls has greatly simplified the problem of administration.

The ladies had a very important duty to perform in looking after the comfort of the builders during the erection of the club-house. Amongst these ardent workers none were more prominent than Miss Hanatin and Miss De Beck. These two ladies and Miss Fowler have taken part in nearly all the arduous climbs of the district.

The strongest personal influence, which has smoothed the path of administration in the Club is that of Mr. J. C. Bishop. A true lover of the mountains, he has lent the prestige of his name and the dignity of his presence to the meetings; while he has brought the tact and charm of his kindly nature to bear on the task of making the excursions a success. There is no one whose services to the Club are more highly valued than his.

The Club is greatly indebted to its first Vice-President, Mr. George Edwards, for his indispensable aid in connection with the public lectures. The numerous photographs taken by the members have been utilised in the preparation of a full set of lantern slides numbering over 300, most of which were made by Mr. Edwards, whose fine lantern has been constantly made use of for their display.

The present is the first extended official publication of the Club. Many of the important excursions have been described unofficially in the local newspapers. Some of these notices were written by Mr. J. Porter, Mr. F. Smith, and Mr. B. S. Darling. The later ones were almost entirely prepared by Mr. C. Chapman. His ready pen did much, in conjunction with the illustrated lectures, to foster public interest in Vancouver's scenic heritage—a heritage unsurpassed and probably unrivalled by that of any other large city in the world. The task of making these mountains known has been a heavy one. Unstinted toil and unflagging perseverance have been called for; and the financial demands on the members have been heavy. With absolutely no aid from government or any outside quarter, they have carried on a work of great public importance from year to year, finding their reward in the doing of it.

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