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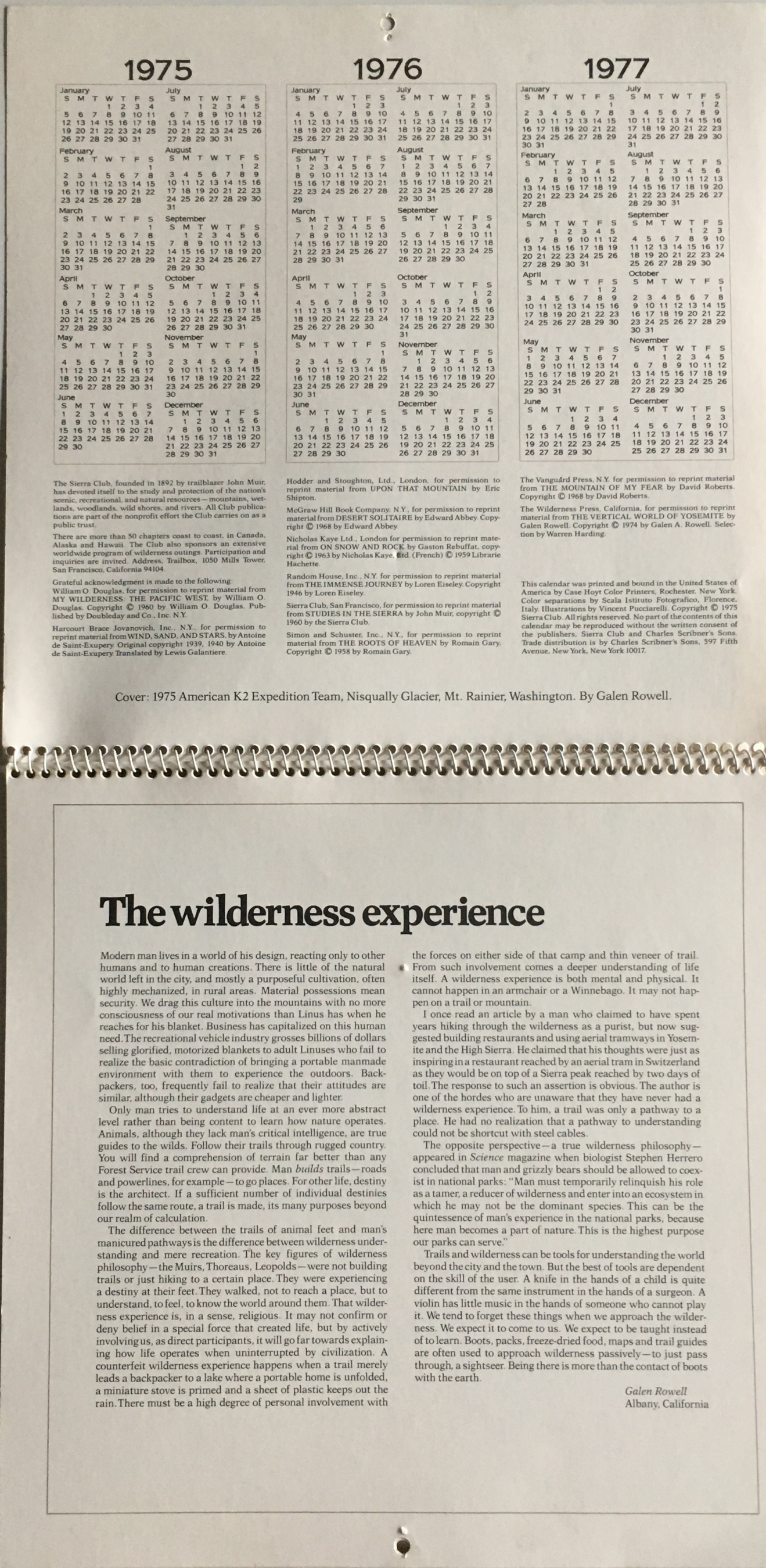
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The wilderness experience

Modern man lives in a world of his design, reacting only to other humans and to human creations. There is little of the natural world left in the city, and mostly a purposeful cultivation, often highly mechanized, in rural areas. Material possessions mean security. We drag this culture into the mountains with no more consciousness of our real motivations than Linus has when he reaches for his blanket. Business has capitalized on this human need. The recreational vehicle industry grosses billions of dollars selling glorified, motorized blankets to adult Linuses who fail to realize the basic contradiction of bringing a portable manmade environment with them to experience the outdoors. Backpackers, too, frequently fail to realize that their attitudes are similar, although their gadgets are cheaper and lighter.

Only man tries to understand life at an ever more abstract level rather than being content to learn how nature operates. Animals, although they lack man's critical intelligence, are true guides to the wilds. Follow their trails through rugged country. You will find a comprehension of terrain far better than any Forest Service trail crew can provide. Man *builds* trails—roads and powerlines, for example—to go places. For other life, destiny is the architect. If a sufficient number of individual destinies follow the same route, a trail is made, its many purposes beyond our realm of calculation.

The difference between the trails of animal feet and man's manicured pathways is the difference between wilderness understanding and mere recreation. The key figures of wilderness philosophy—the Muirs, Thoreaus, Leopolds—were not building trails or just hiking to a certain place. They were experiencing a destiny at their feet. They walked, not to reach a place, but to understand, to feel, to know the world around them. That wilderness experience is, in a sense, religious. It may not confirm or deny belief in a special force that created life, but by actively involving us, as direct participants, it will go far towards explaining how life operates when uninterrupted by civilization. A counterfeit wilderness experience happens when a trail merely leads a backpacker to a lake where a portable home is unfolded, a miniature stove is primed and a sheet of plastic keeps out the rain. There must be a high degree of personal involvement with

the forces on either side of that camp and thin veneer of trail. From such involvement comes a deeper understanding of life itself. A wilderness experience is both mental and physical. It cannot happen in an armchair or a Winnebago. It may not happen on a trail or mountain.

I once read an article by a man who claimed to have spent years hiking through the wilderness as a purist, but now suggested building restaurants and using aerial tramways in Yosemite and the High Sierra. He claimed that his thoughts were just as inspiring in a restaurant reached by an aerial tram in Switzerland as they would be on top of a Sierra peak reached by two days of toil. The response to such an assertion is obvious. The author is one of the hordes who are unaware that they have never had a wilderness experience. To him, a trail was only a pathway to a place. He had no realization that a pathway to understanding could not be shortcut with steel cables.

The opposite perspective—a true wilderness philosophy—appeared in *Science* magazine when biologist Stephen Herrero concluded that man and grizzly bears should be allowed to coexist in national parks: "Man must temporarily relinquish his role as a tamer, a reducer of wilderness and enter into an ecosystem in which he may not be the dominant species. This can be the quintessence of man's experience in the national parks, because here man becomes a part of nature. This is the highest purpose our parks can serve."

Trails and wilderness can be tools for understanding the world beyond the city and the town. But the best of tools are dependent on the skill of the user. A knife in the hands of a child is quite different from the same instrument in the hands of a surgeon. A violin has little music in the hands of someone who cannot play it. We tend to forget these things when we approach the wilderness. We expect it to come to us. We expect to be taught instead of to learn. Boots, packs, freeze-dried food, maps and trail guides are often used to approach wilderness passively—to just pass through, a sightseer. Being there is more than the contact of boots with the earth.

Galen Rowell
Albany, California

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Ski Touring in the High Sierra, near Mammoth on Sherwin Plateau, California. By Galen Rowell.

January

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2 \$35 PAID	3
				New Year's Day		
4	5	6	7	8	9 \$35 PAID	10
11	12	13	14	15	16 \$35 PAID	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
				Martin Luther King's Birthday		
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

The attraction lies in the memory of those rare moments of intellectual ecstasy which occur perhaps on a mountain summit, perhaps on a glacier at dawn or in a lonely mountain bivouac... Such exaltation of feeling is achieved more often... by the mind of the creative artist, but for ordinary folk it would seem that it is more readily found in close contact with nature.

—Eric Shipton,
Upon That Mountain



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Liberty Bell Mountain, Northern Cascades, Washington. By Ed Cooper.

February

OLIVER LAUNDRY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3 2:30 CLASS	4	5 5:45 CLASS	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14 PARTY
15	16	17	18	19 Lincoln's Birthday	20	21 RR OPENING
22	23 Washington's Birthday NEW 13¢ STAMPS RELEASED	24	25	26	27	28
29						

We must imagine...voiceless eons spent in the silent wear of ice and wind...an emptiness of time that can be matched only by the emptiness of space; ages explored only by the dark wind that must always have been there; silence broken only by the occasional clatter of a rock...or the wet hiss of an afternoon avalanche.

—David Roberts,
The Mountain of My Fear



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Alkali cakes, Mesquite Flat Dunes, Death Valley National Monument, California. By David Muench.

March

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5 3:30 MARION JAVITS	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18 12 NOON meet RIL NORQUIST	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

Water, water, water... There is no shortage of water in the desert, but exactly the right amount, a perfect ratio of water to rock, of water to sand, insuring that wide, free, open spacing among plants and animals, homes and towns and cities... There is no lack of water here, unless you try to establish a city where no city should be.

—Edward Abbey,
Desert Solitaire



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Himalchuli, Nepal. By Bill Henderson.

April

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15 * PHOTOGRAPHER APPT.	16 Good Friday	17
18	19	20 PETERSEN'S B-DAY	21	22 Passover begins	23	24
Easter 25	26	27	28 John Muir's Birthday, 1838	29 Earth Day 1, 1970	30	

It was like being in another world; the mountains seemed less a part of this planet than an entirely independent kingdom, unique and mysterious, where, to venture forth, all that was needed was the will and the love.

—Gaston Rebuffat.
On Snow and Rock



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Bird Woman Falls, Glacier National Park, Montana. By David Muench.

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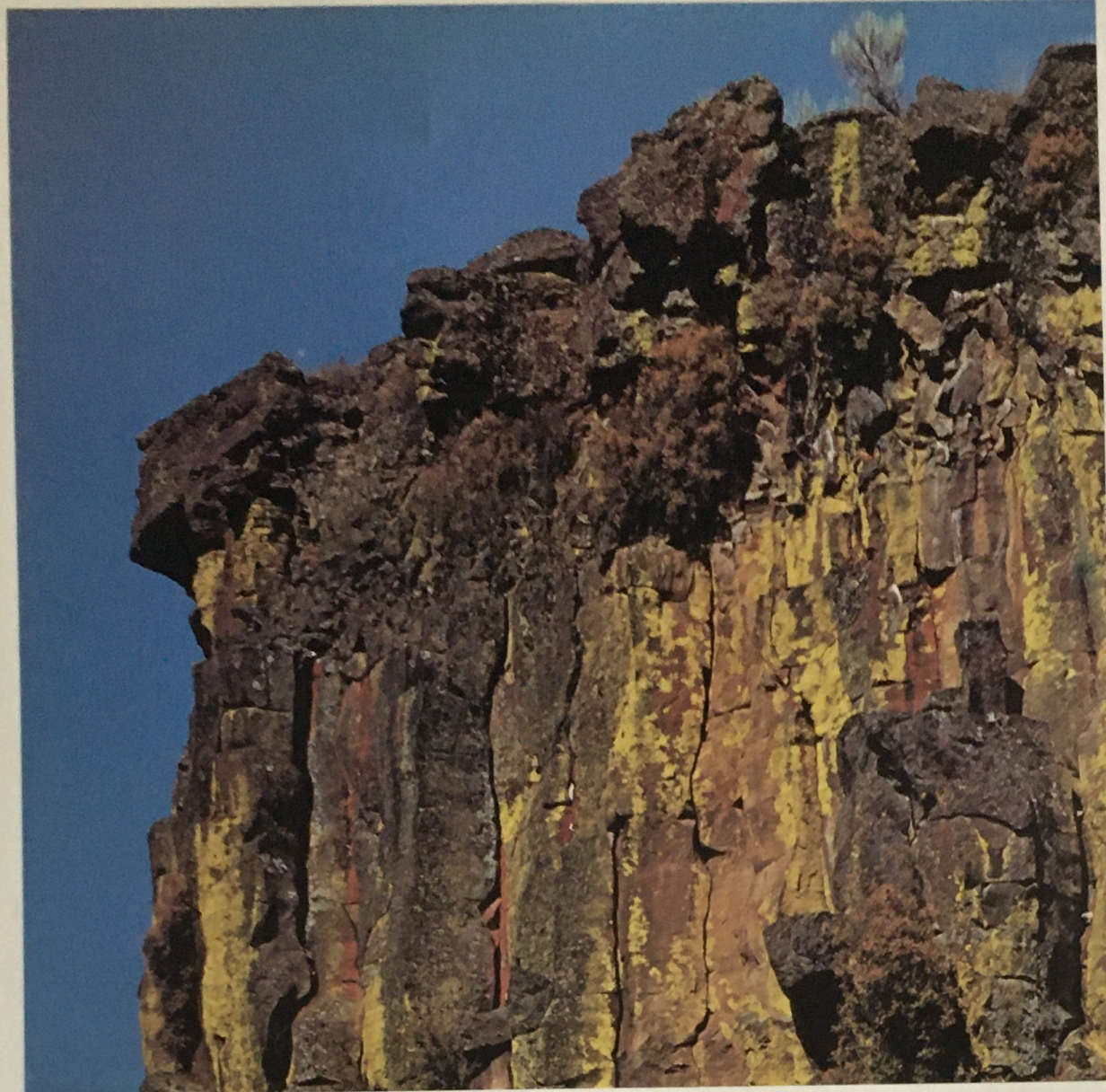
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16	17 ERIC POLLITZER Susan L. 1:00 - 3:30	18 3:30 MEET TOINY	19	20	21	22
23	24	25 Hague delivers 13 Mobil Oil editions for party	26	27	28	29
30	31 Memorial Day				Sierra Club Organized, 1892	First Ascent Mt. Everest, 1953

I used to envy the father of our race, dwelling in the newmade plants and fields of Eden, but I do so no more, for I, too, live in Creation's Dawn. The morning stars still sing together and the Earth, not yet half made, grows more beautiful every day.

— John Muir



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Basalt Columns. By Ed Cooper.

June

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10 ← SACHIKA LEAVES	11 4:00 LAWRENCE ERIC ALLOWAY 10:00 POLLITZER	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30			

It's absolutely essential that man... should leave a margin, a sanctuary, where some of life's beauty can take refuge and where he himself can feel safe from his own cleverness.

—Romain Gary,
The Roots of Heaven



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Chimney Rock, Idaho. By Ed Cooper.

July

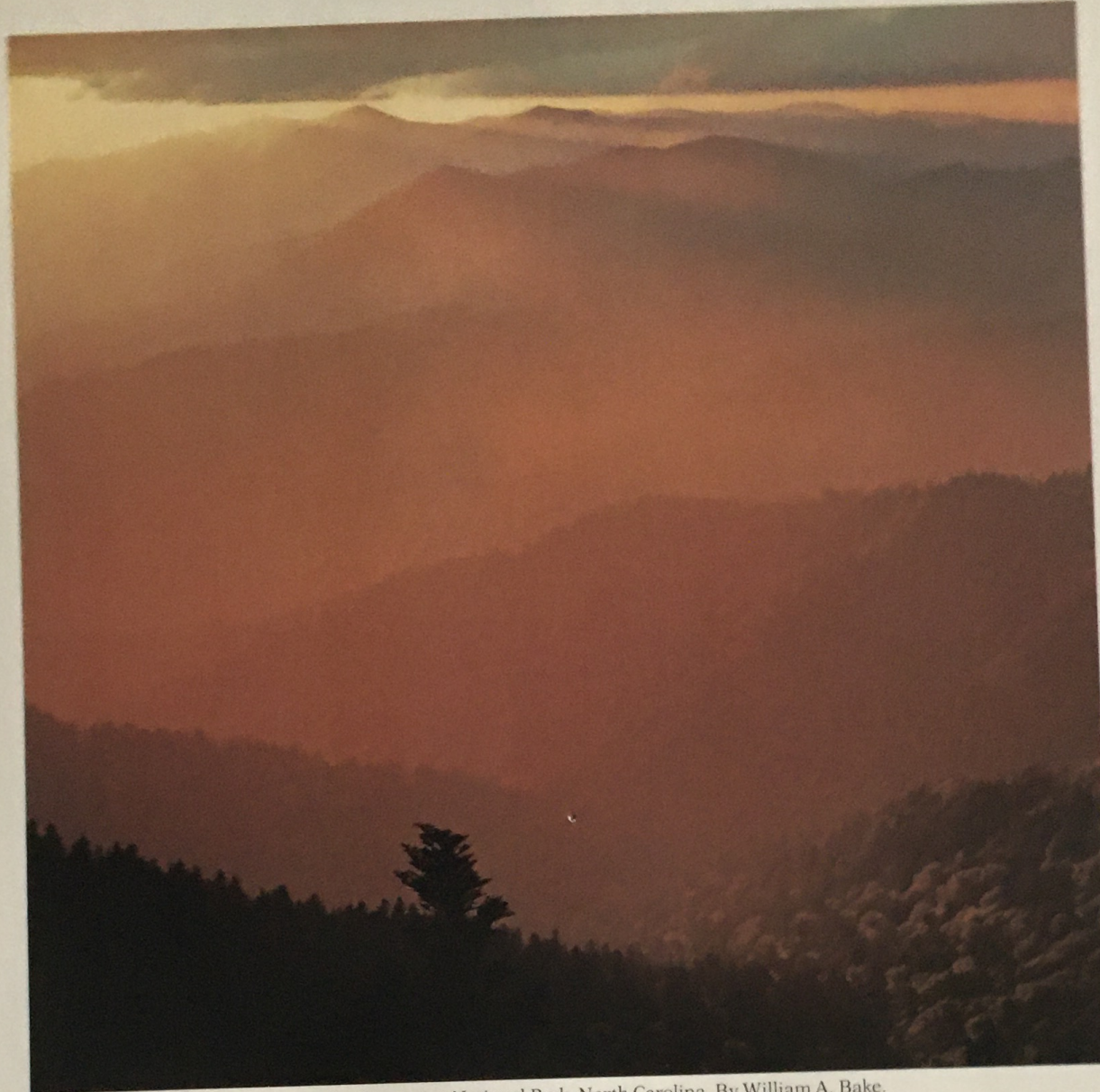
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4	5	6	7	8	9	10
<small>Independence Day</small>	11	12	13	14 FEDDERICK 11:00 ↗	15	16
		<small>First Ascent Matterhorn, 1865</small>	20	21	22 VECHSLER	23
18	19	20	21	22	23	24 SACHIKA returns
25	26	27	28	29	30	31 RR RP in NYC

Always and everywhere I have seen men attach themselves more stubbornly to barren lands than to any other. Men will die for a calcined, leafless, stony mountain.

—Antoine de Saint-Exupéry,
Wind, Sand, and Stars



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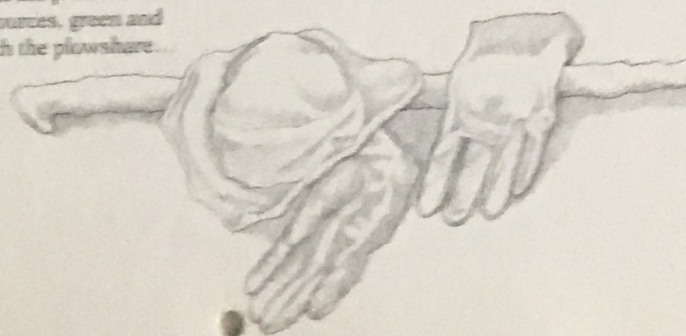
Dawn from Mt. LeConte, Great Smoky Mountains National Park, North Carolina. By William A. Bake.

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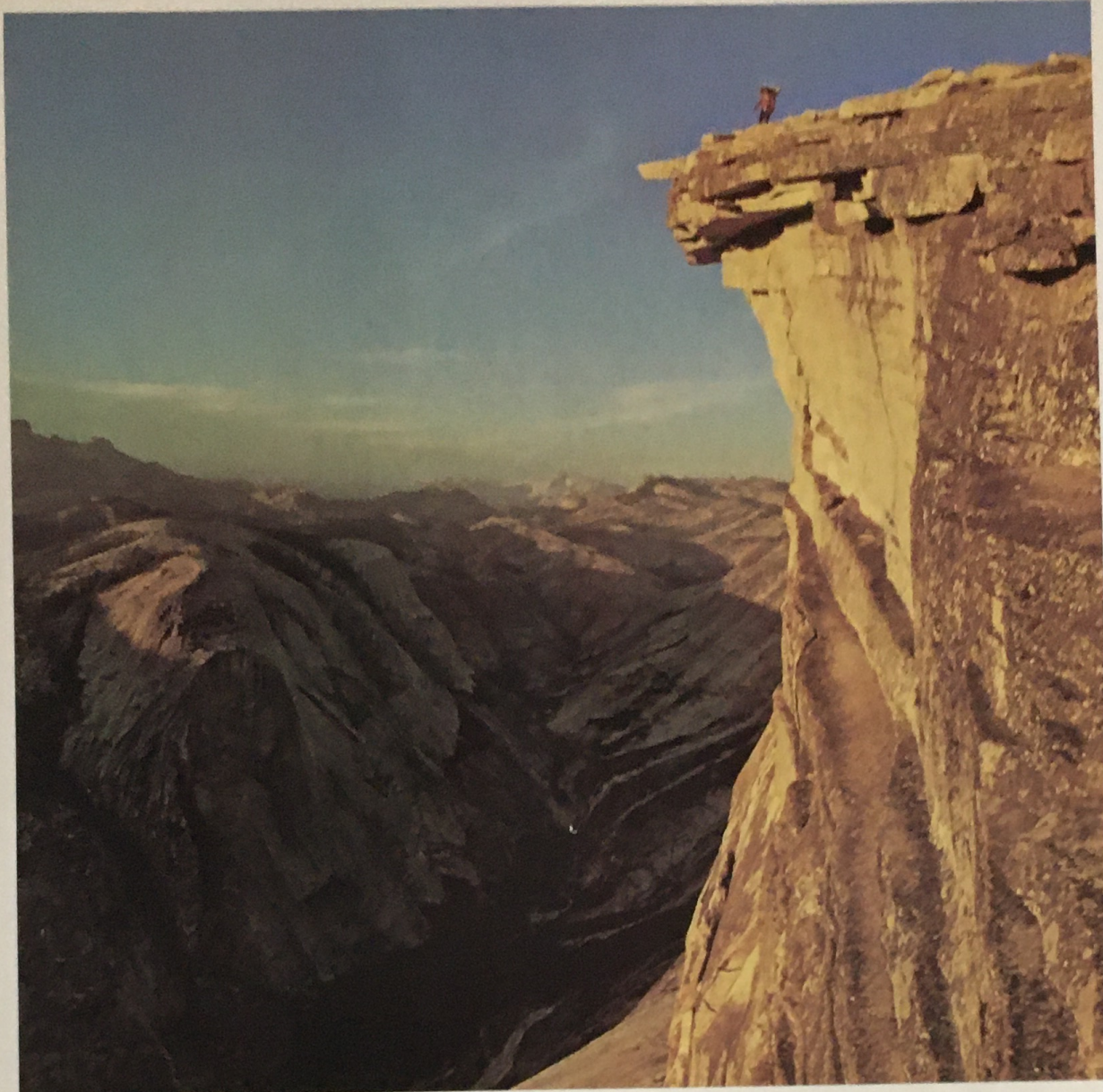
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15	16	17	18 <small>First Ascent Grand Teton, 1898</small>	19	20	21
22	23	24 <small>First Ascent Mt. Rainier, 1870</small>	25 <small>First Ascent Mt. Whitney, 1873</small> SACHKA	26	27 RR RP MC	28
29 RR RP MC	30	31				

North America... still presents, as it did in the primeval time, rivers that rise from never failing sources, green and moist solitudes, and limitless fields which the plowshare... has never turned.

—Alexis de Toqueville,
Democracy in America, 1835



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Backpacker, summit of Half Dome, Yosemite National Park, California. By Galen Rowell.

September

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
5	6 <small>Labor Day</small>	7	8	9	10 NCEA PCS OUT OF 381	11 Jan 3:00 RRK
12	13	14 PICK UP OF AUTORIDE RENTAL SIPOS	15 MOMA returns India fr.	16	17 RR DENTIST 4:30	18
19	20	21 Call getter- Fall	22	23 SIPOS	24	25 <small>Rosh Hashanah</small>
26	27	28	29 MUMMY CASE 3.00 PETER BALLATINE	30		

As I hammered in the last bolt and staggered over the rim, it was not at all clear to me who was the conqueror and who was conquered: I do recall the El Cap seemed to be in much better condition than I was.

—Warren Harding,
The Vertical World of Yosemite



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Autumn Flow, Las Tampas Creek, Pecos Wilderness, New Mexico. By David Muench.

October

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
3	4 <small>Yom Kippur</small>	5 <small>10AM GETLER FALL</small>	6 <small>10AM GETLER FALL</small>	7	8	9
10	11 <small>Columbus Day</small>	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20 <small>Bob NYC</small>	21 <small>JANET SALINGER TOUR</small>	22 <small>40 PEOPLE AFTERNOON</small>	23
24	25	26	27	28 <small>NCAA 6-8 8-11 10-12</small>	29 <small>FENDRICK</small>	30
31 <small>Veteran's Day</small>						

If there is magic on this planet, it is contained in water.

—Loren Eiseley,
The Immense Journey



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Queens River Rain Forest, Olympic National Park, Washington. By Larry Ulrich.

November

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9 <small>Election Day</small>	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23 <i>1:44 RR</i>	24 <i>3:00 RR</i>	25 <i>RR RR</i>	26 <i>RR</i>	27 <i>Friedrich's closer</i>
28 <i>RR</i>	29	30		<small>Thanksgiving</small>		

What I had experienced was a symphony of the wilderness. Those who never learned to walk will never know its beauty. Only those who choose to get lost in it, cutting all ties with civilization, can know what I mean. Only those who return to the elemental world can know... man's essential unity with it.

—Justice William O. Douglas,
My Wilderness, the Pacific West



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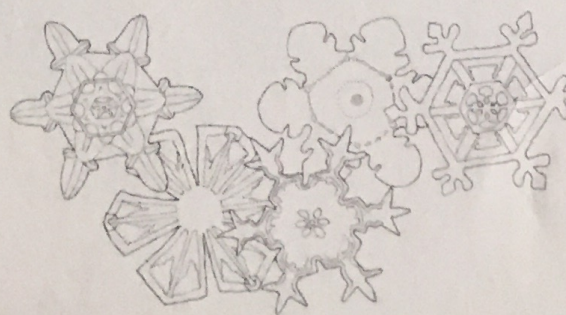
On Pyramid Peak, Desolation Wilderness, California. By Galen Rowell.

December

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12 RR TO DALLAS	13	14	15	16	17	18
19 RR TO LA.	20	21 RR to Fla.	22	23	24 Chanukah	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	Christmas

The Master Builder chose for a tool, not the earthquake nor lightning to rend and split asunder, not the stormy torrent or the eroding rain, but the tender snowflakes, noiselessly falling through unnumbered seasons, the offspring of the sun and the sea.

—John Muir,
Studies in the Sierra



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