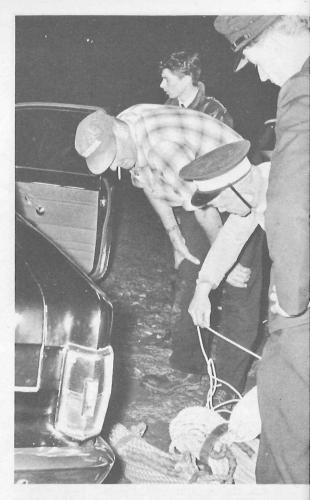


DARING NIGHT RESCUE ON PARITUTU

It took nearly six hours to effect the rescue of a seaman trapped on the seaward side of Paritutu recently. Above: Leader of the rescue, and hungry after two unsuccessful climbs, Constable Ray Petrowski takes time out for a snack while waiting for some more rope to be brought to the scene. Right: With the rope, the climbing party gets ready. Below: Almost ready to go. Below, right: Off to the top for the third time.











The rescue on Paritutu was the seventh for Constable Ray Petrowski, and the most dangerous. The rescue had to be made with about a thousand feet of rope paid out from the top of the hill. With Constable Petrowski was a team of highly experienced climbers, including a member of St.John Ambulance. The whole operation took about 2% hours to accomplish, in cold windy conditions. Much credit must go to the men who are ever ready to search and rescue the unfortunate climber, and particularly to Constable Ray Petrowski, and Vic Rhodes, who accompanied him on this dangerous mission.

Above, left: Ray Petrowski comes down from the hill for the last time with his mission accomplished. Above, right: Ray with the rescued seaman David Burret from Richmond, Surrey, a member of the crew of the Tasmania Star. Below, left: Rescued and rescuers: Vic Rhodes, David Burret and Constable Ray Petrowski. Below, right: Perhaps the most anxious of all those waiting was Mrs Win Petrowski, shown here watching her husband untie the ropes which bound him during the rescue.





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