

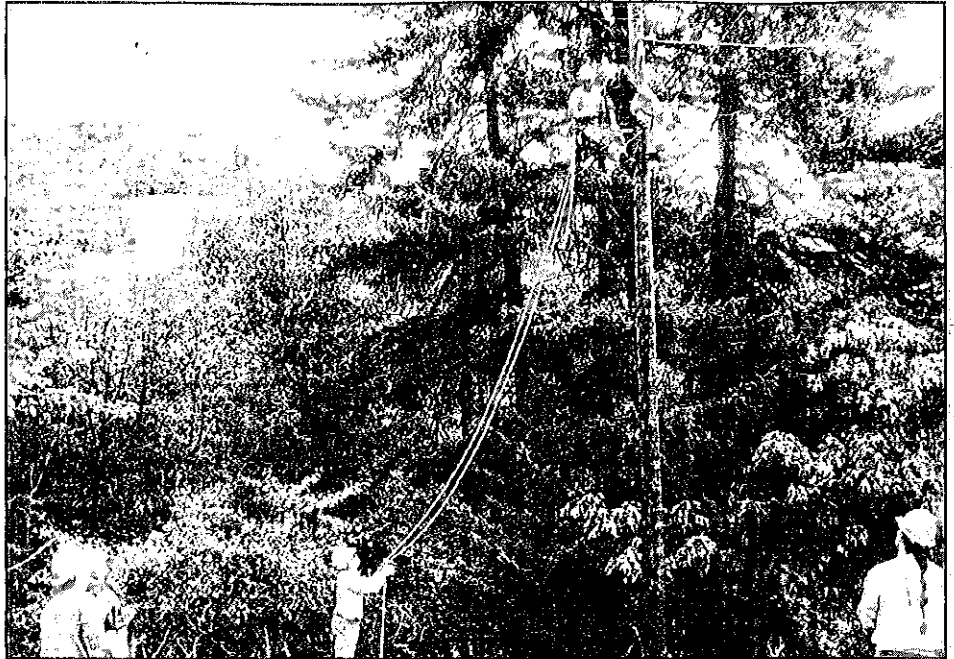
Klickitat PUD Linemen to the Rescue

Each August, the Klickitat PUD linemen participate in a local pole top rescue contest to compete for a spot on KPUD's State Competition Team.

The winners attend the annual Governor's Industrial Safety and Health Conference to compete with teams from across the state.

Competitors include both public and private utilities, and contractor line crews.

Rob Rising, construction crew journeyman lineman, and Bernie Predeek, apprentice lineman on the White Salmon Line Crew, were the winners of this year's local contest. They will represent Klickitat PUD at the state competition. The team of Rob Rising and John Bellamy won first place at state in 2001; Rob and Bernie are striving for the same success.



Above, KPUD linemen competed in the pole top rescue contest, with Rob Rising and Bernie Predeek, below, winning the competition. They will represent KPUD at the state competition.



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