

*Pumori.* A Japanese expedition of the Fujiomiya Alpine Club was led by Miyoshi Mochizuki. They attempted the very steep rock and ice south face of Pumori (23,442 feet). On April 19 Osamu Matsumura, Saburo Kato and Kenichi Shinohara reconnoitered for Camp I to 17,500 feet and set it up on April 26 but never occupied it. The expedition gave up the attempt on April 28 because of bad weather and avalanche danger.

*Lhotse Shar.* A South Korean expedition led by Park Shulam attempted to climb Lhotse Shar (27,504 feet) by a route slightly east of the one by which the Austrians made the first ascent in 1970. Their highest camp was at 23,625 feet. Choi Soon Nanam and the Sherpa Sange claim on their own estimate to have reached 26,500 feet on May 13. Kwan Young Bae fell unconscious from high-altitude sickness at Base Camp, was carried to below Namche Bazar and evacuated by air to Kathmandu, where he remained unconscious for two weeks.

*Manaslu Attempt.* A South Korean expedition was led by Kim Ho Sup. They attempted the northeast side, by which the Japanese had made the first ascent in 1956. As the leader, his brother Kim Ki Sup and three Sherpas were making a summit attempt, Kim Ki Sup fell 100 feet into a crevasse at 25,000 feet and was killed. The attempt was immediately given up.

*Baudha.* The Aichi University of Education Expedition had as leader Yutaka Nakai, as climbing leader Toshihiko Hanai and three other members. They made the second ascent of Baudha (21,890 feet) by a new route, the southeast ridge. Mixed ice and rock between Camps II and III were particularly difficult. From Camp IV at 19,700 feet on April 12 Katsumi Sugiura, Kazuo Tokoshima and Karma Sherpa climbed to the summit, followed there the next day by Hanai and Sherpas Phur Kibo and Jangbu.

*Moditse or Annapurna South.* A four-man Japanese group, led by Kasuo Yamada, had to call off the expedition because of the "unusual behavior" of the Nepalese liaison officer. He developed symptoms of high-altitude euphoria — laughing at the top of his voice and singing throughout the night. The team had set up Camp I at 14,600 feet, but had to restrain him and bring him down from there on April 15, as his condition deteriorated.

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*Moditse or Annapurna South.* An expedition from Chiba Institute of Technology was led by Dr. Tomoyo Minegishi. They attempted the north ("Sanctuary") side and east ridge. From Camp IV at 20,675 feet