800 feet of difficult rock during the next five days. On February 8 they realized that they could not succeed in the time they had available.

*Fitz Roy Attempt.* Our expedition (also including Jordi Pons—*Editor*) was prevented from reaching the summit of Fitz Roy by very strong winds. We tried the American route early in 1979.

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*Cerro Torre Attempt.* In February and March the British climbers, Ben Campbell-Kelly and Brian Wyvill, made an unsuccessful attempt to climb the 4500-foot-high east face of Cerro Torre. For the first 1000 feet they followed the Maestri-Egger route and they then continued up the Bragg-Donini-Wilson route to 500 feet below the Col of Conquest. From there they climbed, mostly with direct aid, 800 feet up the very steep and in part overhanging groove and chimney on the right side of the east face. The weather turned worse and they had to retreat, still some 1300 feet below the top, after 28 days on the face.

*Climbs in the Paine Group.* The Asociación Universitaria de Andinismo, Santiago, organized a nine-man group to tackle Cerro "Fortaleza" (or "Fortress," unofficial name), in the Paine group. In 20 days of attempts C. Gálvez and G. Oyarzún had only four of good weather. In several attempts they got to within 100 feet of the summit. Gálvez, with G. Casassa and J. Lanas made the second ascent of Cerro Trono Blanco (2500 meters, 8366 feet), which had been ascended by Chileans and Czechs in 1969 (*A.A.J.*, 1970, p. 176). Other expedition members, C. Cognian, J. Piombo and G. Salamanca, plus Casassa, made the first ascent of the rock peak Aleta de Tiburón ("Shark's Fin," 1800 meters, 5905 feet). This expedition took place between January 2 and February 10.

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*Peaks in the Cordillera Darwin, Tierra del Fuego and in Patagonia.* Our yacht, the Eloisa, was a 60-foot, 34-ton ketch built of ferro cement and fitted with an 88-horse-power engine. It was built by the skipper, Ian Rennie, with the assistance of the expedition members. Other members were Ian Carr, Dick Pert, William Jeffrey, David Neilson, Wallace Rennie and I. We departed from Granton, near Edinburgh, on October 1, 1977. Our ports of call were Ramsgate, England; Figuera and Lisbon, Portugal; Las Palmas, Canary Islands; Porto Grande, Cape Verde Islands; and Rio de Janeiro. We experienced bad gales in the Bay of Biscay, off Recife and then almost continuously south of 40° S. Many sails were torn and the flooding of the engine room in mid-Atlantic had a long-term effect on the reliability of the engine. We arrived in Punta Arenas on February 7 after a 8000-mile voyage. We made our base in Tierra del