including several women. We left the hamlet of Leoncito on New Years Eve for the Tocota and Izquierdo valleys. On January 2, we placed camp at 4900 meters near the foot of the south ridge of our mountain. Mountain sickness and accidents (I was kicked by a mule) allowed only the following to complete the first ascent: Italians Cremonese, Rosario Minola, Armando Ragano and Vittorio Zanuso and Argentines Ana Miglioli, Teresa de Latli, Michele Beorchia, Mario Muñoz, José Oviedo and Carlos Ramírez. Other peaks climbed were "Cerro del Pollo" (5500 meters, 18,045 feet), which lies south of Olivares Sur, by Eduardo Oviedo, Mirador de Olivares (4800 meters, 15,748 feet) by Miglioli, Latli and José Oviedo, and P 4400 and P 4600 (14,436 and 15,092 feet) by Muñoz solo. Except for Mirador de Olivares, a second ascent, all other peaks were hitherto unclimbed.

ANTONIO BEORCHIA, *San Juan, Argentina*

Ojos del Salado. A joint Argentine-Italian-Czechoslovakian expedition was led by Italian Francesco Santon. Argentine Manuel Montoya and Czechs Petr Šverma and I climbed the Ojos del Salado from the south in five days from Casadero Grande, arriving on the summit on January 31. Two unnamed peaks were climbed on January 30 by Santon and Argentine Alfredo Toujas.

JIŘÍ NOVÁK, *Czechoslovakia*

Peaks in the Cordón de la Jaula. The *cordones* (chains) of la Jaula and el Peine offer a number of unclimbed peaks close to Mendoza but they are difficult to approach because of narrow canyons. In early March, brothers Federico and Pablo González entered the area by climbing into the steep valley south of Punta de Vacas. From that valley, they made the first ascents of P 5500 (18,045 feet), P 5400 (17,717 feet), P 5300 (17,390 feet), and P 5200 (17,061 feet).

LUIS ALBERTO PARRA, *Club Andinista Mendoza*

Cerro Pire and Other First Ascents, 1989. In early March of 1989, a large Argentine-Italian group, led jointly by A. Toujas and Francesco Santon, made the following first ascents: Cerro Pire (3850 meters, 12,631 feet), Cerro de la Natividad (3810 meters, 12,500 feet) and P 4250 (13,944 feet). These are in the Sosneado group north of the Atuel River and south of Mendoza.

EVELIO ECHEVARRÍA

Aconcagua, Southeast Ridge. Mauricio Fernández and Carlos Domínguez of Mendoza reached the base of the south face of Aconcagua and camped at the Plaza Francia. After acclimatizing, they climbed to a gap at 5000 meters and descended east from the lower Horcones valley into the Los Relinchos valley. With two camps, they gained access to the southeast ridge, mostly on ice and