

ice and hard-packed snow. The campsite was not the same as previously used which had always been looked upon as one of the safest on the mountain. Three members of the Himalayan Foundation were sent out immediately from Germany by air, under the leadership of Paul Bauer. They recovered the bodies of five of the Europeans, which they buried nearby. Diaries and scientific data were also recovered.



*Chomolhari.* In May, 1937, Mr. F. Spencer Chapman with the porter, Passang, successfully accomplished the ascent of this beautiful mountain in the Butan-Tibet border. Unfortunately his companion, C. E. Crawford, could not continue on to the summit owing to the necessity of returning to Calcutta on time. Mr. Chapman through friendships made on a mission to Lhasa was able to obtain permission for his climb. Although no difficulties were experienced on the ascent, the descent was fraught with adventure. Near the summit, Passang slipped, carrying away Chapman who was taking a photograph. After a fall of about 500 ft., Chapman succeeded in getting his iceaxe in and stopping the fall a few feet from the edge of a precipice. Further down the two climbers were forced by a storm to reascend several hundred feet and set up a camp they had just taken down. Each night they had to wring out their wet sleeping bags before going to bed, and as their matches had been wet and were useless they had to live on snow mixed with barley meal. Another time, owing to a mix-up, Passang held the rope too taut and caused Chapman to fall into the middle of a crevasse which he was jumping, from which it took him some three hours to extricate himself. Mr. Chapman is to be congratulated on his climb and complimented on his safe return, with a sense of humor still intact.



*Siniolchu.* This outstandingly beautiful mountain was ascended again this past summer. A group of three German climbers, Ludwig Schmaderer, Herbert Paidar, and Ernst Grob, made a trip through the Sikkim Himalaya in September, 1937, during which their climbing efforts were constantly frustrated by bad weather or worse snow conditions. They attempted the Twins and Nepal Peak twice, each time being turned back by the weather or dangerous snow conditions. Finally on September 25th, 1937, they succeeded in making with the porter, Pency, the second ascent of Siniolchu.



*1938 Expeditions.* A seventh expedition to Everest will leave early in the spring of 1938 under the leadership of H. W. Tilman. A small Austrian expedition under the leadership of Rudolf