

## BOOK REVIEWS

arises from time to time in all dangerous undertakings, whether in peace or war, and one might almost say that the weather is always at its worst when such a problem is at hand.

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*K2 Troisieme expedition americaine au Karakorum.* Charles S. Houston, M.D., Robert H. Bates and George I. Bell. 100 pages, including 70 full-page photographs, 10 in color and a 20-page resumé by Charles S. Houston, M.D. Paris: Arthaud 1954.

This paper-bound volume recounts the story of the 1954 expedition to K2 in a brief but moving resumé in French by Charles S. Houston, followed by a dramatic series of photographs by all members of the expedition. The accident and descent are illustrated by one sketch and one photograph taken at Camp VII.

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*Nanga Parbat 1953*, by Dr. Karl M. Herrligkoffer. 192 pages, with 78 black-and-white photographs, 9 colored photographs, maps and plans. München: J. F. Lehmanns Verlag, 1954. Price, D. M. 16.80.

*Nanga Parbat*, by Karl M. Herrligkoffer, translated from the German and with additional material by Eleanor Brockett and Anton Ehrenzweig. With a foreword by Brig. Sir John Hunt. 260 pages, with 56 photographs and 6 maps. New York: Alfred A. Knopf, 1954. Price, \$5.00. English Edition: 254 pages, with 67 black and white photographs, 9 colored photographs, maps and plans. London: Elek Books Ltd., 1954. Price 21/—.

*Im Banne des Nanga Parbat.* 80 pages of photographs, with foreword by Dr. Karl M. Herrligkoffer. München: J. F. Lehmanns Verlag, 1953. Price, D. M. 7.50.

*Das Buch von Nanga Parbat: Die Geschichte seiner Besteigung 1895-1953*, by G. O. Dyhrenfurth. 197 pages, with 133 photographs, 2 maps. München: Nymphenburger Verlagshandlung, 1954. Price, D. M. 6.80.

The ascent of Nanga Parbat, July 3, 1953, was given comparatively few headlines in the world news. In spite of its being the highest mountain ever climbed and most frequently attempted,