India – Kashmir

Kolahoi Glacier. Cashbrair (19,000 feet), an unclimbed peak in the Kashmir valley was climbed by eleven students of Punjab Agricultural University under the leadership of Dr. S. S. Dosanj. The peak adjoins the Kolahoi Glacier. An army team led by Major Ramdas climbed Kolahoi Peak (17,800 feet) on July 25. The summiters were Major M. S. Oberoi, Havildars Gurucharan Singh, Mahinder Singh and Kuaram. The peak, climbed in 1930 by Royal Engineers, is difficult despite its modest height.

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Brammah Peak. The expedition of Tohokeiryukai was led by Miss Kei Ohara, who was accompanied by Nagamasa Yamada, Hisabumi Tomino, and Kaoru Yoshino. Matsel was their first objective but it was changed because of bad weather and the group turned to nearby Brammah Peak (21,275 feet) in Padar. When they had reached a point 350 feet below the summit, an accident happened to a Sherpa and they bivouacked on the spot. The next day, June 24, the leader slipped and fell down the 6500-foot snow slope. They searched for her for three days but in vain.

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Correction. The accounts of the ascents of Kedarnath Dome and of Ronti which appeared in A.A.J., 1968, 16:1, pp. 216-7 were misplaced since both of these peaks lie in Garhwal.

Pakistan

Diran. The original objective of Hanns Schell, Rainer Göschl and mine was the Hindu Raj, but as other expeditions had the same goals, we requested permission for Kampiri Dior, but when that was not granted we decided to try Diran (23,862 feet). Diran or Minapin Peak had been attempted four times before, each time by the steep, broken northwest face which leads to the relatively broad west ridge. We got to the town of Minapin on August 1 and made our temporary Base Camp at 11,500 feet on the 3rd. Since this was too distant, we moved Base Camp to 13,000 feet directly under the 6500-foot northwest face. Camp I was established on August 7 at 15,750 feet in the face. Giant crevasses, deep snow and bad weather hindered progress and it was not until the 14th that we placed Camp II on the col of the west ridge at 18,700 feet. On the 16th the weather improved and we carried to Camp III at 20,350 feet. On August 17 we left at six A.M. in lovely weather for the summit. We still had to gain 3500 feet with much trail breaking. First we had a steep step