

Noghor Zom, Pegish II, Kotgaz Glacier Region, Eastern Hindu Kush. The Yokohama Sanryokai expedition was led by Miki Yanagishima and further composed of Nobuo Saito, Miss Tsuneko Kobayashi and Miss Midori Noji. After leaving Chitral on July 3, they passed through Uzhnu and placed Base Camp on the Kotgaz Glacier at 13,125 feet. Camp I at 14,300 feet (July 14) and Camp II (July 16) were put on the northwest ridge of Noghor Zom. After a bivouac 350 feet below the summit, on July 25 the two men reached the top (19,508 feet; first ascent by Austrians Gassner, Iglar, Peer on August 1, 1968). A camp was established at 15,700 feet on the rock ridge which extends from Pegish II (20,233 feet) on July 31. On August 1 all four made the second ascent of Pegish II. (First ascent by the same Austrians on July 25, 1968.)

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Falak Sar, Swat Kohistan. After the Meijo University expedition (Kohtaro Ohyama, Yutaka Arita, Munechika Sawada, Yamamasa Ueno and Hironari Hirabayashi) had climbed Mir Samir in Afghanistan, they went through Kalam and Matiltan to the Falak Sar valley, where they established Base Camp at 12,800 feet on August 7. From camp at 16,000 feet, Sawada and Ueno climbed Falak Sar (19,417 feet) on August 19, a climb which has already been made a number of times.

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P 5334, Gabral Glacier, Swat Kohistan. The Gifu Mountaineering Association expedition was made up of Masaru Tsuzuki, Masanori Sujita, Yoshihiro Iwasa, Harumi Hibino and Ryoza Nakahara. From Kalam they went to establish Base Camp on June 2 at the end of the Gabral valley at 11,500 feet. Camps were placed at 13,800 feet on June 7 and at 15,425 feet on June 19. On June 21 Iwasa and Nakahara made the first ascent of P 5334 (17,500 feet). They then crossed a 16,450-foot pass to the Laspur valley and eventually ended up at Chitral.

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Bashkargolo Zom, Ishporili Gol, Hindu Raj. The Keio University expedition, made up of Takeshi Fuanki, Tetsuro Kubota and Mitsuru Yatabe left Chitral on July 17 and traveled through the Golen Gol, Koghozi and Sachiokuh village to place its first Base Camp at the western

foot of the Laspur An on July 22. On the 26th they reconnoitered to the head of the Shachiokuh Glacier. Their second Base Camp was on the North Ishporili Glacier. All three made the second ascent of Bashkargolo Zom (5400 meters or 17,717 feet) via the col south of P 5930. (First ascent by Austrians Badura and Sturm, August 4, 1968. *A.A.J.*, 1969, 16:2, p 458.) From a camp at the head of the South Ishporili Glacier, they made an unsuccessful attempt on Ishporili (5900 meters or 19,357 feet). From a col west of camp and north of the peak, they climbed on August 9 over the north peak of Ishporili but failed to get to the main summit after reaching 18,850 feet.

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Attempt on Thui I, Hindu Raj. The Unpyo Club sent Takaaki Asaga, Toshiaki Miyoshi and Masami Ikeda to attempt Thui I (21,654 feet). After leaving Chitral on June 19 they established Base Camp on July on the Panarillo Glacier at 13,125 feet on July 1. They climbed P 4850 (15,912 feet) near Base Camp. After making a camp at 14,750 feet and a dump at 15,750 feet, on July 15 they reached a point at 17,000 feet on the northwest face of Thui I. Continued bad weather forced them to give up the attempt.

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Shupel Zom, Hindu Raj. Ken Kariyama and Huroaki Seki of Chiba University of Technology climbed in the area south of Buni Zom. On August 1 they climbed Shupel Zom (19,433 feet) and on August 5, P 5265 (17,273 feet).

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Malana Glacier, Hindu Raj. An expedition from Bregenz, Austria was led by Heinz Koors. They approached the Malana Glacier, above which they climbed two 5000-meter peaks from Swat via the Kachhikhani Pass. They returned over the Thalo Pass.

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Noshaq. On August 15 Günter Virt, leader, and Edmund Prandstetter of the Austrian Hindu Kush Expedition (Austria Section, Vienna) climbed both the west summit (24,580 feet) of Noshaq. On the 20th Michael Hasslinger, Karl Mahrer and Peter Reischer climbed the west summit. On