

connoitred Ravi Chandra watershed and Smythe, our sirdar Wangyal and I climbed the highest peak (19,777 feet) at the head of the Tapni Laluni Glacier. On the descent I plunged 400 feet over an icefall and survived. After a return to Manali and hospital treatment, we set off with Major Bajaj, Indian liaison officer, and Wangyal to explore the Mulkila region to the north in Lahul. It is difficult for western parties to gain access to this part, which lies in the restricted area. For information we relied on the records of an Austro-British expedition which climbed Mulkila (21,380 feet) in 1939. We did not quite climb it, getting to within several hundred feet of the top before returning for lack of time and resources. Our route lay via the east ridge, which the 1939 expedition used.

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*Hanuman Tibba.* Hanuman Tibba (19,450 feet) was climbed on July 11, 1971 by Nick DeLisa, Susan and Gordon Jarrell, Sara Officer, Pat Ophuls, Chris Pizzo and me with Dhan Khumar Sherpa and Rinzing Ladakhi of the Western Himalayas Mountaineering Institute. We went up the Ravi River to the moraine west of the peak and then around its main south ridge to a glacier camp at 17,000 feet. The summit was a 13-hour round trip from this camp. It appears to be the first ascent by an American party.

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*Indrasan and Deo Tibba.* The Kansai Ganpo Kai expedition, led by Seiichi Asanome, successfully made a new route, the south face of Indrasan (20,410 feet), on May 18. Deo Tibba (19,688 feet) was also climbed some days before by some of the party.

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*Phabrang.* The Mountaineering Association of Shiga Prefecture sent Shigemaro Ibayashi, leader, Takao Yamada and six others to India. Base Camp was placed at 15,000 feet north of the mountain on September 21. A 19,000-foot peak west of Camp I (18,000 feet) was climbed on September 23 by Ibayashi, Kawasaki and the porter Namgyal. Camp II was established on the 24th. The next day Yamada, Iriyama and Oka and Sherpa Rinzin Namgyal reached the summit of Phabrang (20,250 feet) via the west ridge. On the 26th Oka, Nohsei and Katori climbed a 19,160-foot peak.

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*Phabrang South.* Tohichi Ohtake led the Tokyo Denki University expedition. After crossing the Rohtang Pass by bus, they reached Thirotnalla of Lahul via Keron on September 12. After going through the villages of Chokang, Chhogzing, Guhari and Nawinghar, they placed their