

Mount Foraker, Southeast Ridge. In mid-June Joe Davidson, Bob Fries, Jim Given, Mark Greenfield, Pippo Lionni, Eric Morgan, Frank Uher and I contemplated one of the south ridges of Mount Foraker from Base Camp in its southeast cirque. This more easterly of the two south ridges was unclimbed. The one ascended by Bleser, Bertulis, Baer and Williamson lies farther west. The ridge is guarded at the bottom by a 2000-foot rock and ice pinnacle. The most apparent route was its north spur, a snow ridge to 8500 feet, a few rock pitches and the balance steep fluting. Avalanche dangers proved too great. An approach to the pinnacle from the south was equally dangerous and not without technical difficulties. We gave up the attempt and decided to try the southwest toe of the southeast ridge. This joins the 1963 route at 9500 feet. An Alaskan party had attempted this route in the winter of 1972 but ran out of steam at 13,400 feet. We placed camps at 8300, 9000, 11,500 and 13,300 feet. After a week of storm, we all climbed to the summit in a 14-hour climb, reaching the top on July 10. On July 14 Greenfield and I made the first ascent of P 8509, three miles south of the southeast ridge.

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Mount Brooks, North Ridge, Alaska Range. While Toby Wheeler and I were waiting on the Muldrow Glacier for the other members of our McKinley group, we were attracted by the beautifully contoured north ridge of Mount Brooks* silhouetted against the sky. On April 19 we started at four A.M. from 5400 feet on the Muldrow at the foot of the ridge in our one-day bid for the summit. At first we waded in crusted snow to our knees but soon were on wind-blown rock, hard snow and ice. Though the climbing was easy, we belayed and cut steps in places. Where the ridge was heavily corniced we climbed along the west side of the ridge. The views were spectacular. At two P.M. we reached the 11,940-foot summit.

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* The summit of Mount Brooks was reached on August 20, also by the north ridge, by Jim Bergdahl, Roger Fuiten, Sandy Mapes and Andy Reynolds.

Mount Dan Beard, South Face. In May Peter Boardman and I climbed in the Ruth Amphitheatre. On May 9 we repeated Washburn's and Fisher's route on Mount Dickey (9545 feet) via Pittcock Pass. On May 17, 18 and 19 we ascended the south face of Mount Dan Beard (10,260 feet). Leaving our skis on the small glacier embraced by the south and southwest ridges flanking the face, we climbed a 1000-foot couloir and traversed to a col on the right for a four A.M. breakfast. Traverses and gullies of mixed climbing led to a central depression on