

and 10. After initial difficulties and delays, they were making very good progress when the accident occurred. The highest point reached was 17,200 feet, the site for Camp II. On April 14 at 9:05 A.M. falling ice hit a group of five Sherpas and four RAF members whilst carrying loads to establish Camp II. Two Sherpas in the middle of the group, Dawa Tenzing and Kami Sarki, were killed instantly. Ang Tsering was knocked down and died of injuries on April 15 at 2:15 A.M. Ang Nima was badly knocked about but was able to scramble for safety; his injuries were not serious. He was evacuated to Kathmandu by helicopter on April 16. The expedition was abandoned.

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*Tukuche Peak.* Our members were Kazumi Fujikura, Hisao Miyazaki, Norio Shimoda and I as leader. We climbed Tukuche Peak by the normal route from the north followed by other expeditions. On April 1 we established Base Camp at 16,750 feet on the moraine an hour west of Dhampus (or Thapa) Pass. Camp I was placed on the north ridge at 18,500 feet on April 3. We established Camp II on April 10 on a plateau at 20,675 feet after climbing a 2175-foot snow ridge which had a smooth ice wall and some crevasses. On April 21 we all four left Camp II at three A.M. and ascended steep ridges until we reached the summit (22,688 feet) at 11:10 A.M. We also climbed Little Tukuche Peak (19,170 feet) on April 2 and Dhampus Peak (19,724 feet) on April 26.

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*Peaks in Hidden Valley, Dhaulagiri Himal.* Our small group, Josef Kurz, Kurt Niedermayr, Hermann Ponn, Hans Richter, Gerhard Wendl and I, along with Rinchen Lama from Kathmandu, managed to make the following nine first ascents above Hidden Valley, just north of Dhaulagiri: Parbat Agratal (5890 meters or 19,324 feet; 2¼ miles due east of Tongu Peak) and Parbat Talpari (6218 meters or 20,400 feet; ½ mile north of Agratal) both on April 25 by Richter; Stupa (6301 meters or 20,673 feet; ¾ mile northwest of Tulpari) on April 25 by Hauser, Richter; Parbat Rinchen (6203 meters or 20,352 feet; 1 mile east of Agratal) on April 24 by Kurz, Niedermayr, Hauser, Rinchen Lama and Sherpas Ang Chottra, Kusi; these four north of Gegar Khola. Pashimy Himparkhal (6270 meters or 20,571 feet; 2 miles southeast of Hongde) and Purby Himparkhal (6231 meters or 20,443 feet; ⅞ mile southeast of Pashimy Himparkhal) on April 24 by Richter, Ponn, Wendl; both south of Gegar Khola. Kasturi Parbat (5953 meters or 19,531 feet; 1 mile north of Dhampus Peak) and Chattan Pyramid (5798 meters or 19,023 feet; 2 miles northeast of Kasturi Parbat) on April 28 by Niedermayr, Hauser, Rinchen Lama and Sherpas Kusi, Urgien; Tashi Kang III (6130 meters or 20,112 feet; 3½ miles north