

return via the Hubbard and Kaskawulsh Glaciers. We covered 68 miles of spectacular glacial terrain during the next seven days, arriving back at Kluane Lake on July 11.

BARTON DEWOLF

*Mount Vancouver, North Buttress.* A Japanese expedition made the first ascent of the north buttress of Mount Vancouver from the Hubbard Glacier. The first-ascent route (*AAJ*, 1950, p. 367) went up what might better be called the northwest ridge, though they called it the north ridge. The earlier route started from the Seward Glacier side. The two routes are completely distinct and meet only on the summit. Details are lacking.

*St. Elias Ski Traverse.* From April 12 to May 13 Craig Patterson, Steve Darrow and I traversed the St. Elias Range. Our route followed the Tana Glacier onto the Bagley Icefield to the Seward Glacier, which flows between Mounts St. Elias and Logan. We continued around Mount King George on the Hubbard, then north to the Kaskawulsh Glacier, finally ending at Kluane Lake on the Alaska Highway. The highest elevation we were forced to ski to was only 6700 feet, making it an ideal sled trip. Total mileage was 220 miles. We were unsupported by food caches or airdrops. The loaded sleds weighed 180 pounds when we started. Poor weather prevented climbing more than one 8500-foot crag near Mount Queen Mary.

TED GILLETTE, *Yosemite Climbing School*

*Mount Logan.* A few parties climbed Mount Logan, all by the King Trench route. A Japanese group led by Seichiro Takai, was on the mountain from June 25 to July 9. A Kluane National Park Warden Service expedition of four members was led by me. Ron Chambers and I reached the west and north peaks. We were on the mountain from June 28 to July 22. On July 2 Gerald Holdsworth and party left for the King Trench route to continue his glaciology project. The guides Peter Schlunegger and Jacob Wyss reached the summit of the west peak and descended with us. The Arctic Institute of North America's support team were led to the Mount Logan High Plateau by Jürg Hofer to continue their annual High-Altitude Physiological Research Project. Some of their members climbed the north and west peaks.

HANS FUHRER, *Kluane National Park*

*Weisshorn, Southeast Ridge Attempt.* The southeast ridge of the Weisshorn was attempted by the Kluane National Park Warden Service, led by Jürg Hofer and me. The ridge presented more difficulties than we had estimated. A very dangerous double cornice caused our retreat

on the first day. Fixed ropes would have been necessary to tackle the difficult by-pass. The next day the weather deteriorated; storms held us tight in a snow cave for ten days until we got airlifted to Kluane on May 5.

HANS FUHRER, *Kluane National Park*

*Mount Gibson.* A basic climbing and rescue school, directed by me, was held from April 14 to 19 on the Steele and Foster Glaciers. Mount Gibson was climbed at the end of the school.

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*P 12,200, Lowell Glacier, St. Elias Mountains.* In August, 1974 Mike Price, Randy Hargesheimer, Dave Lawrence, Matt Kerr, Cheryl Soshnik and I left the Alaska Highway and spent ten days trekking up Slims River and the Kaskawulsh Glacier. We climbed P 12,200, whose summit forms a triple divide for the Kaskawulsh, Lowell and Hubbard Glaciers, nine miles northwest of Alverstone. (First ascent by Victor Josendahl, Irena and John Meulemans, Robert Booher and Leigh Clark, 1961.—*Editor.*) Our route followed the ridge on the north-northeast side of the mountain from camp in the valley to the east.

ANDREW KNAPP, *Minnesota Rovers Outing Club*

*Mount Steele, East Ridge.* The Kajika party, Kunio Asaoka, Takashi Nakamura, Koichi Takeuchi, Miss Tokiko Michioka, Shigo Ito and I established Base Camp below the east ridge on April 19. Camp I was established at 10,300 feet on the 21st. Above 11,600 feet we fixed seven ropes on a snow wall before placing Camp II at 12,700 feet on April 27. We fixed three more ropes to 14,000 feet. On the 28th Asaoka, Nakamura and Takeuchi passed the knife edge and continued up the 30° slope to the top of Steele (16,440 feet). A second attempt by the other three of us failed in high winds.

TETSUO MORI, *Kajika Alpine Club, Japan*

*Mount Steele, East Ridge.* In early July, a party of six Canadians, Bruce Fairley, Neil Humphrey, Heidi Piltz, Eric White, Ellen Wood and I, helicoptered to 7500 feet on the Steele Glacier below the east ridge, which we climbed over the next couple of weeks, spending a total of nine nights in snow caves. We hiked out down the Steele Glacier and the Donjek River in seven days.

ROLAND BURTON, *Alpine Club of Canada*

*Tombstone Range.* Lured by a note in the *Canadian Alpine Journal* promising "Bugaboo-style granite," at least two parties visited the Tombstone Range, thirty miles north of Dawson in the central Yukon, in the