southwest ridge, a climb repeated on April 14 by Jaskula and Zimny. On April 8 to 10 Chrzan, Jaskula made the second ascent of Huacshash² (18,517 feet) by a new route, the northwest ridge. On April 11 and 12 Wawrzyniak, my wife and I, followed by Zimny and Gutowski, made another new route, the center of the southwest glacier. On April 13 and 14 Chrzan, Lisiecki, Wawrzyniak, my wife and I made the second ascent of P 5495¹ (18,028 feet; northeast of P 5265) by its southwest ridge. We suffered from bad conditions as we were there in the rainy season.

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Huagaruncho, Northeast Ridge. The Workers' Mountain Club of Takamatsu Expedition was composed of Hideaki Naoi, leader, Akira Yamada, Hiroshi Kuriyama, Tomomi Akiyama (female), Yoshiki Mitsumoto (female), Kazuhiro Oka and Masao Hashimoto. Leaving Huachón on June 10, they packed over three passes to the Quebrada Huagaruncho and on June 11 over another pass to place Base Camp at 14,000 feet on a terrace near a lake up in Río Huarancayo. They decided on the unclimbed northeast ridge. Camp I was placed on June 17 at 15,950 feet on the col south of Peak 29. They prepared the route in the next days, reaching a minor summit at 17,925 feet on June 28. On the 29th they prepared the route to the col in the northeast ridge at 17,625 feet beyond the minor peak. They placed Camp II in the col on July 1. The route was then prepared to 18,000 feet on the 3rd. On July 4 Hashimoto, Yamada and Oka reached the summit (18,799 feet), followed on July 6 by Akiyama, Mitsumoto, Oka and Naoi.

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Lasontay, Cordillera Huaytapallana, 1973. Having already climbed in the Cordilleras Blanca and Vilcabamba (see above), on August 6, 1973 Fiut, Guzzy and Malinowski made the first ascent of the west ridge of Lasontay Sur or Yuracrumi (18,230 feet) and Fiut and Malinowski went on to make the first ascent of the east ridge of Lasontay Norte (18,045 feet). On August 8 they climbed the south ridge of Huaytapallana (c. 16,400 feet).

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Rajuntay, South Ridge, Cordillera Central. An experienced Italian group traveled to the Italian Alpine Club hut in the Santa Eulalia valley.

¹ First ascent by P. Malinowski and W. Jedliñski in 1974.

² First ascent by three members of the Club Andino Oyen, Máximo Luna, Sergio Zúñiga and Abel Lozano, in 1957.