

On August 2 they moved to a 14,775-foot base in the valley opposite the one where the hut was. Camp I was placed at 16,750 feet below the south ridge. On August 6 Mario Conti, Carlo Dell'Oro and Luigino Airoldi fixed rope on the lower part of the ridge. These three, joined by Giancarlo Riva and Emilio Valsecchi, climbed the ridge on the 7th. They placed six snow pickets and ten rock pitons on the two rock steps. Thanks to the fixed ropes and good snow conditions they reached the top at two P.M.

*Llongote Central, Cordillera Yauyos.* Seven members of the High Mountain Club of Łódź took part in the expedition: Wojciech Jedliński, Bogdan Mac, Piotr Malinowski, Marek Rozniecki, Jerzy Star, Grzegorz Wasiak and I as leader. On May 29, 1974 we placed Base Camp on Huascacocha. On June 2 and 3, Mac, Rozniecki, Star, Wasiak and I climbed by its west ridge P 5280 (17,323 feet), which lies between Cotoní (or Ticlla) and Huaynacutuni. On June 4 and 5 Jedliński and Malinowski ascended from the northern side the three peaks of Nevado Huamalla, P 5297 (17,397 feet) and to the west of the main peak, P 5080 and P 5210 (16,667 and 17,093 feet). On June 6 and 7 Star and I made the ascent of Llongote Central (18,406 feet) by its north face. On June 9 and 10 Jedliński, Mac, Malinowski and I climbed Acopalca (17,866 feet) and P 5420 (17,782 feet) just east of it. On June 11, I soloed P 5057 (16,591 feet; 2 miles north of the western end of Huascacocha). For our Bolivian climbs, see that section.

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*Surihური and Minaspata, Cordillera Chila.* I was in overall charge of the Japan Inner Amazon Expedition and Ichiyo Muko was leader. Ko Hagiwara and Kohichi Miura entered the Cordillera Chila, east of Coropuna and north of Ampato, the main and longest source of the Amazon River. They drove to Quenco and walked to the head of the Quebrada Pacopampa and Base Camp at 16,400 feet on September 5. On the 7th they left at 7:45 and walked for three miles along scree at about 17,000 feet to reach a col below Minaspata at 12:45. They traversed along the steep east side of the north ridge and reached the ridge crest in its middle, which was difficult walking with many *penitentes*. They reached the summit of Minaspata (18,061 feet) at 2:35. They descended the north side of the east ridge, past more *penitentes*, to a col at 3:50 and bivouac. On the 8th at 9:15 they traversed the northwest side of the peak opposite the col and climbed the north ridge to arrive on top at 11:25. They descended to the southwest to a col. From there they climbed the long northwest ridge of Surihური over *penitentes*, false summits and a rock peak on the north side to reach a gentle snow ridge. They got to the summit of Surihური (18,064 feet) at 2:50 P.M., a wide