

and I made a new route, the 2600-foot-high northwest face of Yahuaraju (5675 meters, 18,619 feet). We climbed onto the glacier to the right of the glacial tongue that descends to the lake at the foot of the face. The face was rock and ice, which in the upper part was difficult and up to 55°. The rock was very rotten. We descended the first-ascent route. From June 3 to 8 we were on Huantsán Norte. From Rajucolta-cocha we took two days to find a way through the very broken glacier to the foot of the west face of the western summit of Huantsán Norte. The ice on the lower part of the 55° face was bare and brittle; we had bad belays. We bivouacked a third night in the middle of the 3000-foot-high face. In the upper half the ice became better. We reached the western peak (c. 6000 meters, 19,685 feet) late in the afternoon and bivouacked near the top. Snow fell during the cold, windy night. We started down the Ortenburger route early the next morning. Since the northwest ridge was heavily corniced, we kept somewhat on the north face, which was probably more difficult than the west face we had ascended. We found some frozen-in rope on the face. We bivouacked in the col at the foot of the northwest ridge (Ortenburger's Camp II). On the sixth day we climbed over P 5406 (17,737 feet) just west of the col and descended the flatter glacial basin back to Rajucolta-cocha.

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*Huantsán.* Our expedition placed Base Camp at Rajucolta Cocha on July 16. We placed Camp I at 16,900 feet on July 19, traversed the peak west of the col at the foot of the northwest ridge of the north peak of Huantsán and established Camp II in the col at 18,200 feet on July 26. On the 29th we placed Camp III just below the top of the north peak. On July 30 Tsugumasa Seki, Nobuyuki Itakura and I made a summit attempt but were turned back by bad weather. After a rest day, Itakura fell ill from mountain sickness and was brought down to Camp II. He became unconscious at midnight of August 2 and had to be carried on a stretcher to Camp I, where he began to recover. Meanwhile, Hidekazu Kudo and Nobuyoshi Chiba had started an attempt on August 2, bivouacked at the foot of the main peak on the 3rd and on the 4th got to within 150 feet of the summit. A third attempt was started on August 6 by Seki and Shigeru Yokota, who got to the summit the next day. We removed the fixed ropes and gear and evacuated Base Camp on August 11.

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*Toqllaraju, West Face, Huascarán, East Face, San Juan, South Ridge and Other Peaks.* During May, Abigail Fisher, Brad White, Robert Blatherwick and the Peruvian Hugo Colonia made ascents of Vallunaraju