

*Pumori, Winter Ascent.* A three-man South Korean expedition made the second winter ascent of Pumori via the south ridge. The expedition leader Nam Sun-Woo and Sherpa Lhakpa Gyalgen left Camp II at 21,150 feet, bivouacked at 22,300 feet and reached the summit on December 11.

*Cholatse Ascent, Taboche Attempt.* A Swiss expedition was led by Dr. Heidi Lüdi. They climbed a new route, the southeast ridge, on Cholatse (6440 meters, 21,130 feet). They established three high camps. They reached the summit twice: on October 18 by Heidi Lüdi, Niklaus Alpiger and Kancha Tamang and on October 29 by Alpiger again and Werner Zäher. For the attempt on Taboche (6542 meters, 21,463 feet), they used the first two Cholatse camps and had no fixed camp higher. They reached 19,350 feet but then were forced to retreat because of deep snow.

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*Numbur.* A New Zealand expedition led by Peter McNally climbed Numbur (6954 meters, 22,815 feet) via the southwest ridge, the route of the French in 1981. They had an advance base and two high camps. On March 29 McNally, Rob Hall, Bill King, Steve Lassche and Gavin Tweedie reached the summit.

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*Karyolung.* A joint Nepalese Police-Japanese expedition was led by Yoshiyuki Inoue and Yogendra Thapa. After a brief try at the west ridge, they climbed the northeast face, where they placed two camps. On October 31 Inoue, Hiroshi Nishi, Masatoshi Isawa, *Japanese*, and Thapa and Baburam Tan, *Nepalese*, reached the summit (6681 meters, 21,920 feet). Later in the same day two Japanese and Nepalese Gorey Tamang, Gita Bahadur Joshi and Sherpa Pemba Tsering got to the top. On November 1, a third group including two Japanese women summited: Sohei Fuji, Yasuhiko Nakao, Kozuko Mainasaki, Makao Nishimara, Makio Nakahara and a Nepalese. This previously unclimbed peak is now open to foreign expeditions.

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*Karyolung, Winter Ascent.* Another Japanese-Nepalese expedition climbed Karyolung, also by the northeast face, but this was done in the winter. Two Japanese, Akira Yamada and Katsuichi Tanaka, and two Nepalese members, Sherpas Ang Kami and Pemba Tshering, reached the summit on December 24. The leader was Hajime Nagatoshi.

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