

difficulty was getting around the three pinnacles. It started with a steep 45° to 50° traverse to the right of the ridge and continued on the east side over mixed terrain, in places 55° to 60°, to a small saddle above them. From there a corniced ridge broken once by rock led to an ice ramp and the summit face. We set up Advance Base at 5200 meters, then Camps I and II at 5800 and 6000 meters on June 24 and 28. We joined Bonington's group to place fixed ropes on the traverse. Neither group had enough rope to accomplish this alone. Then we struck a long stretch of bad weather and time ran out for the Bonington party, which had to leave on July 7. On July 12 a break in the weather allowed us the first ascent of a 6200-meter (20,342-foot) peak west of Karun Koh. We spent the 13th and 14th carrying loads from Camp I to Camp II. From July 15 to 17 we fixed ropes on the pinnacles traverse. The next day we set up Camp III on the saddle above the pinnacles at 6700 meters. We were all set to make the summit push, but storm conditions pinned us down for three days. Our food ran out and so we descended to Base Camp to wait for better weather. Bubbnik had to leave for lack of time. Finally on July 29 we started for Camp II. Camp III was reoccupied on the 30th. The next day the weather was still unsettled but we set out. We overcame the poor ice on the ridge and reached the ramp above the rock section. From there we climbed the summit face. It was 45° to 60° sheer ice in places. At 4:30 on July 31 we reached the summit (7350 meters, 24,115 feet).

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*Bojohagur Duanasir.* Tsuneo Omae led a Japanese expedition which made the first ascent of Bojohagur Duanasir by its southwest ridge. They approached via the Hasanabad Glacier west of the peak. They placed Base Camp at 4300 meters on June 19 and Camps I and II on June 24 and July 4 at 4600 and 5500 meters on a spur of the southwest ridge. Camps III and IV on the ridge at 6200 and 6900 meters were established on July 14 and 24. On July 28 three climbed over a 7250-meter foresummit to the summit (7329 meters, 24,045 feet), followed by five others on July 30. Photographs appear in *Iwa To Yuki*, N° 107. A British expedition led by Anthony Saunders was attempting the mountain at the same time from the Ultar Glacier in the south. They failed at about 7000 meters.

*P 6872 (Serei Porkush).* English climbers Steve Roberts and Steve Pymm made the first ascent of P 6872 (22,546 feet), possibly called Serei Porkush, in the Batura region, apparently at the western end of the Batura chain. The other members were Martin Bunegar, Phil Duffy and Geoff Robinson. Further details are not available.

*Batura Attempt.* A three-man German expedition led by Volker Stallbohm failed to climb Batura. Details are not yet known.

*Sangemar Mar.* Our expedition succeeded in making the first ascent of Sangemar Mar by the southwest ridge. The members were Takashi Matsuo,