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Provo Canyon. In August, Mark Galbraith and I climbed the prominent pedestal between the ice climbs "Finger of Fate" and "Bridalveil Falls." A long fist crack in the big left-facing corner is what attracted us. The climb starts just right of the pedestal and follows steep cracks interspersed with leftward traverses for two pitches to the base of the corner. One long lead up this corner on good rock landed us on the top of the spectacular pedestal. (II, 5.9.)

BRIAN SMOOT

The Organ, Zion National Park. During a week with three spring snowstorms, members of the Memphis Mountaineers climbed a new route on the Organ which starts 50 feet left (west) of the major gully system on the southeast corner of the formation. Pitch 1 ascended a long 5.6 slot with several small traverses to a major ledge system. Pitch 2 climbed a 5.7 off-width crack. Two long, loose fourth-class sections completed the route to the top of the eastern shoulder of the Organ. I led Dan Mauney and Eric Painter up the 610-foot route on March 8.

JIM DETTERLINE

Arizona

Navajolands. The Navajo still discourage climbing on the reservation. Spider Rock and Shiprock are definitely sacred to the Navajo. The northeast face of *Jacob's Monument* was a new route made on April 11 by Kyle Copeland and Sue Kemp (III, 5.10, A2). This spire is a few miles northwest of the Monument Valley Navajo Tribal Park. The first ascent of *West Elephant's Foot* was made by Kyle Copeland and Alison Sheets on November 28 (I, 5.9, A2). The second ascent was made on the same day by John Middendorf and Allen Humphreys. The Elephant's Feet formations are located beside Arizona Highway 64 near Red Lake in north central Arizona.

ERIC BJØRNSTAD

Montana

Castle Mountains. On June 7, Keith Brunckhorst and I climbed the west hanging buttress on the Stone Pillar behind the Stone Pillar Ranch. The first pitch was up a 5.10a slab now protected by two bolts to gain a 70-foot finger to hand crack. The second pitch went up a short vertical corner, then left onto a ledge, around a hanging corner to gain a class-4 ramp. The final pitch is easy fifth class. (I or II, 5.10a.) On September 11, Tom Bozeman and I climbed the largest formation in the Castle Mountains, a six-pitch route on the southwest wall. We followed the line of least resistance up the blank-looking wall. To gain the summit block, we scrambled 150 feet northwest to an easy 5th-class chimney. (II, 5.9.)

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