

attempts to climb higher than 8000 meters. We hope to carry on these experiments again in 1990.

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*Everest Attempt.* On August 20, Jan Harris and I arrived at the 5600-meter-high Rongbuk Glacier Base Camp. On the 24th, we placed Advance Base at 6400 meters at the foot of the North Col. We established Camps I and II on the North Col and north ridge at 7000 and 7500 meters on August 28 and September 8. We made three attempts to regain Camp II between September 12 and October 8 in order to cross the north face to the Great Couloir. On October 14, Harris descended to Base Camp while I established Camp III at 7600 meters. I placed Camp IV the next day at 7800 meters half way across the face between the north ridge and the couloir. This camp was partially destroyed by high winds in the predawn hours of the 16th and I abandoned further attempts.

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*Changtse.* Our joint expedition had nine Chinese: Jin Jun Xi, Wang Yong Feng, Luo Shen, Zhao Yue Min, Chen Jian Jun, Yang Jiu Hui, Sun Yi, Tong Lu and me as leader; and nine Hong Kong members: Zeng Luo, climbing leader, Zhong Jian Min, Zhen Yi Jia, Wu Jia Wei, Luo Wei Qiang, Huang Yan Liang, Chen Zhi An, He Zhi Ming and Ye Jin Wen. We established Base Camp, Advance Base and Camps I, II and III at 5200, 6000, 6300, 6600 and 7000 meters. We wanted to climb Changtse's north face, where the distance is short, but there were many avalanches. Therefore, we switched to the long but safe northeast ridge. We began the climb on July 1. On July 20, Chinese Wang Yong Feng, Luo Shen and I and Hong Kong climbers Zeng Luo, Zhen Yi Jia and Wu Jia Wei reached the summit.

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*Cho Oyu.* During three days, several expeditions successfully climbed Cho Oyu via the west ridge and west face from the north. An expedition led by Alberto Bianchi put Italian Albert Brugger and Luxembourger Roland Zeyen on the summit on September 17. Italian Enrico Rosso joined with Swiss Mario Casella and Pierino Giuliani to make the climb on September 18. Two others of Casella's expedition, Michele Capelli and Conrado Margna, reached the top on September 19. Mrs. Magda Nos King, a Spaniard living in the United States, Spaniard Señorita Mónica Verge and Ang Phuri Sherpa climbed to the summit on September 19. (See below.)

ELIZABETH HAWLEY

*Cho Oyu, First 8000er by Spanish Women.* Society in any country is composed of men and women and I believe we have equal responsibilities. In my