

*Khangsar Kang (Roc Noir) Attempt.* Seven Koreans led by Yang Wha-Souk attempted to climb Khangsar Kang (7485 meters, 24,557 feet) by its south face. Their high point was 5500 meters, reached on October 16.

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*Tilitso Attempt.* Eleven Greeks under the leadership of Stratos Paraskevaides attempted to climb Tilitso by its northeast spur and north ridge but could get to only 5800 meters on October 23.

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*Dhaulagiri Attempt.* Eight Australians, two New Zealanders and a Briton, led by Australian Zac Zaharias, had hoped to climb the northeast ridge of Dhaulagiri but they reached only a high point of 7600 meters on May 20.

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*Dhaulagiri Direct North Face.* Rick Allen describes in a full article earlier in the *Journal* his experiences with a Russian expedition which made a difficult new route on the north face of Dhaulagiri.

*Dhaulagiri in the Post-Monsoon.* There were six expeditions to Dhaulagiri, all on the normal northeast ridge. The expeditions are listed below with the make-up of the group, the leader, those who reached the summit and when: 3 *French* and 2 *Swiss* led by Benoît Chamoux: Chamoux on October 6; 6 *Japanese* led by Hirotaka Imamura: Masao Koseki, Ayumi Nozawai on October 6; 2 *New Zealanders* and 1 *Finn* led by Rob Hall: Finn Veikka Gustaffson on October 9 (for Gary Ball's death, see below); 10 *Latvians* led by Tedors Kirsis: Kirsis, Ilgvars Pauls, Imants Zauls on October 10; 8 *Belgians* led by Theo Bollen: Jos Varmarsenille, Dawa Sherpa on October 11; 6 *Japanese* led by Masakatsu Nakamura: Seiichi Sekiya, Mingma Tshering Sherpa on October 11.

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*Dhaulagiri Tragedy.* On October 6, the well-known New Zealander Gary Ball died from high-altitude sickness on Dhaulagiri. He was 40 years old. He and Robert Hall led several commercial expedition to the Himalaya and elsewhere. These two were the first New Zealanders to climb Everest twice (1990 and 1992), using supplementary oxygen. In 1990, they both climbed to the highest summits of all the seven continents in a record time of *seven* months. In 1992, they tried unsuccessfully for the third time to climb K2. When 300 meters below the summit, Ball fell ill with mountain sickness and had to be helped down. Despite this ominous warning, Ball planned to ascend Dhaulagiri in the autumn of 1993. Having reached Camp III at 7350 meters, he was