

*Swargarohini I.* Swargarohini I (6252 meters, 20,512 feet) had been attempted unsuccessfully by fifteen expeditions. An Indian expedition claimed that they reached a point five meters lower than the summit but had to stop because a cornice made it too dangerous to climb all the way to the summit. We found no such cornice on the summit. Our expedition was composed of Birger Andrén, Olle Edholm, Kjell Sundqvist, my wife Ingela and me. The route lay up a rock ridge on the eastern side of the south face, up a high rock pinnacle, along a snowfield to an ice gully that led through the line of ice walls that rim the upper part of the face. Finally, we climbed the easy east-southeast ridge to a summit ice slope. Base Camp was at 4100 meters at Kiarkuti and Advance Base at 5000 meters on the rock ridge. We bivouacked twice on the way to the summit. On June 7, Andrén, my wife Ingela and I reached the summit. This excellent route has everything: scrambling on the rock ridge, steep rock on the pinnacle, steep ice in the gully, snow plodding on the east-southeast ridge and a beautifully exposed summit where one can see far into Tibet.

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*Ascents by Indian Expeditions in Himachal Pradesh.* *Chau Chau Kang Nilda II* (6158 meters, 20,204 feet), above Langja village in Spiti, was climbed on September 14 by Amok Chatterji, Kishor Banerjee and Shyamal Pal. They were led by P.K. Barwan. *Gangtang* (6162 meters, 20,216 feet), near Keylong in Lahul, was ascended by Kaushik Das, Pallab Das, Saujit Klan, Jeet Ram Takur and Sanjay Ram Thakur. The leader was Narayan Chandra Paramik. *Fluted Peak* (6122 meters, 20,083 feet), near Losar in Spiti, was climbed on August 27 by leader Tarit Das, S. Dutta, Uttam Pujari and Laxman Karmarkar. An expedition led by Gopal Roy climbed *P 6100* (20,013 feet), near Losar. Bhaskar Das, Nilotpal Roy and porter Chhering Paldan Bodh reached the top on August 30.

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*Mulkila IV.* On August 30, an Italian expedition led by Renzo Gemignani climbed Mulkila IV (6517 meters, 21,381 feet). The summit was reached by Fabrizio Molignoni and a Japanese sculptor Yoshiyuki Tawara, who lives and works in Carrara.

*Ascents of Khamengar and Parahio and Exploration in Kulu, Spiti and Lahul.* Our expedition of Kaivan Mistry and me and Kumaoni porters Har Singh Sr, Har Singh Jr and Kesar Singh and Manali porters Yog Raj Thakur and Surat Ram was joined in the first part by Vijay Kothari, Kekoo Colah and Saif Bijiwala. Northern India had experienced one of the heaviest monsoons ever this year. Roads and tracks were destroyed. We were often delayed and daily afternoon rain was a common occurrence. We began on July 17. We trekked