Shipton Spire area a bit earlier than Synnott and Ogden. According to various reports, including that from a Liaison Officer at Trango Base Camp who had talked with the climbers as they were walking out, the trio had spent three weeks climbing 21 pitches on the splendid granite of the slightly lower "East Tower" but had not reached the summit. Seven copperheads and 17 bolts were placed with the maximum difficulties rated at 5.10 and A4. (*High Mountain Sports* 183)
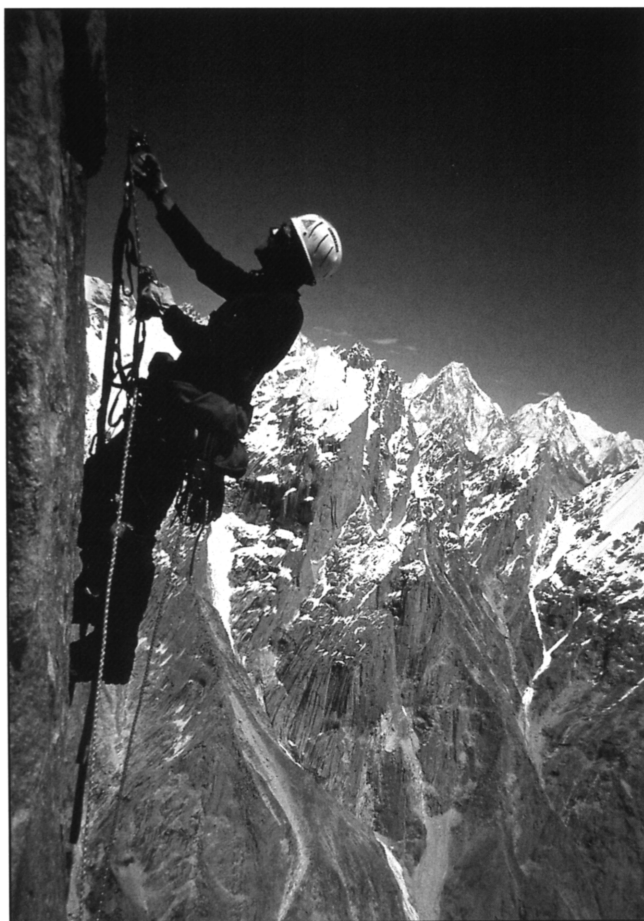
*Great Trango Tower, New Route.* It was reported that the Korean team of Kim Hyung-Jin, Lee Sang-Co, Choi Seoung-Chul and Shin Yun-Jeong climbed the Great Trango Tower on its east face, adding a five-pitch variation to an established route. Further details are lacking.

*Nameless Tower, Yugoslav Route.* The Scandinavian Trango Expedition (Jan Stenstrom, leader; Magnus Nilsson, Jon Haukassveen, Torbjorn Ohlén, Fredrik Schlyter, Bo Strand, videofilm, and Anders Schmidt, doctor) climbed the 1987 Yugoslav route on the south face of the Nameless Tower. Stenstrom and Ohlén made a recon trip in the summer of 1996, scrambling up to 5200 meters where the actual climbing starts. This year's expedition arrived in Islamadad on June 7. The administration process went smoothly and the team continued to Skardu on June 11. Sixty-five porters and five jeeps were hired. The road to Askole was in good condition. The cable crossing at the Jolla bridge, however, was swept away. The expedition crossed the Domondo river five kilometers upstream on another cable. Base camp was placed on Trango Glacier at a small lake.

Four strong porters stayed in base camp and carried loads up to Advanced Base Camp I (behind the big boulder on the left side of the gully; we found room for three tents) at 4900 meters. The porters took some of the loads further to Advanced Base Camp II (a small ledge on the right side of the gully, with room for one tent) at 5100 meters.

After three climbing days, we established CI at the



*Jan Strenstrom jugging to CII on the Nameless Tower.*
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