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### DOUG SCOTT ON EVEREST

After two months of procrastination and many non-commitments, I am finally reviewing the lecture-slide show by Doug Scott, a summit member of the British Southwest Face Expedition.

Those of PATC who ventured to Baltimore the night of March 22 were richly rewarded with a superb photographic show of the "hardest climb on the hardest mountain of the world." The Himalayan photography was outstanding, and it was narrated well by Scott, who livened the evening with his brand of humor.

The show began chronologically with the march from Kathmandu through the highlands to basecamp and the slides were right out of Tolkien's Trilogy. You could almost see hobbits bounding around the scenery. The usual member shots were shown, somewhat reminiscent of a high school yearbook. Then on to the climbing sequences, interspersed with photos of previous SW face expeditions, and thoughts about the failures

of the past expeditions and improvements made to atone for them. Of course the most radical was the route change to try the left gully, and the subsequent success of this route. When the summit was gained, the usual summit photographs were taken, and Scott was selling copies autographed after the show for \$3.00. The funny thing about this was the same photo was available from Summit magazine's article on the expedition.

Again, the overall quality of the photography was superb--those of you who have read Bonington's books can get an idea of what you may have missed. But the show did slow at some points, lasting an hour and forty-five minutes, somewhat long to sit through. And it did end on the note of the death of Mick Burke, which was how the expedition did end, but somehow it seemed to leave you hanging.

Steve Williams

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Next month's UP ROPE will be a combined July/August issue which, due to vacation schedules, will probably be out sometime in late July. The regular meeting and training will be held in July but

the Section is taking a vacation in August--no meeting or training. Monthly meetings will resume Sept. 8 with training scheduled for the following Sunday. Deadline for the September UP ROPE is Aug. 20.