Climbers pay tribute to Rolex

"I received the watch on March 28th at Darjeeling on the Nepalese border, and throughout the whole of the British Himalayan Expedition, until we finally reached Kathmandu on June 8th, I wore the watch continuously, night and day, and on no occasion did it stop or require winding. On several occasions during the expedition, it was tested by the extreme temperatures from the snow-covered peaks, and also the extreme cold of the icy winds. The watch has been a constant companion and has performed admirably in all conditions."

On his return from the 1952 British Himalayan Expedition, Sir Edmund Hillary sent Rolex a message commenting on his Oyster Perpetual.

HIMALAYAN ROLL OF HONOUR

Rolex Oyster watches were worn on these historic Himalayan Expeditions:

- 1933 British Everest Expedition that reached 28,150 feet.
- 1933 Houston Expedition that fell over Everest for the first time.
- 1934 Expedition to Nanda Devi—Eric Shipton and H. W. Tilman.
- 1935 British Everest Reconnaissance Expedition led by Eric Shipton.
- 1936 British Everest Expedition led by Hugh Ruttledge.
- 1937 British Reconnaissance Expedition to Shishapangma led by Eric Shipton.
- 1938 British Everest Expedition led by H. W. Tilman.
- 1939 Expedition to Karakoram led by Eric Shipton.
- 1947 Swiss Alpine Club Expedition to Gangotri.
- 1949 Swiss Himalayan Expedition to Garhwal.
- 1952 French Himalayan Expedition to Garhwal.
- 1952 Swiss Alpine Everest Expedition led by Dr. Wyss-Dunant.
- 1952 Swiss Alpine Everest Expedition led by Dr. Chedeville.
- 1955 British Himalayan Expedition led by Eric Shipton.

From COLONEL SIR JOHN HUNT

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