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BLACK AND WHITE Davos Parsenn — GIs' Paradise

By FRITZ DURST

Americans on leave who have chosen the tour from Basel to the Grisons have, even as early as this, an exceptional opportunity of indulging in ski-ing. That the opportunity is exceptional is proved by the fact that in the high Alps, ski-ing usually does not begin until December. But in order to provide those on leave with a special "resort" to ensure them a pleasant stay before the season proper begins, the Com-

mand has observed that the day had been more tiring than his whole three years' overseas service, but that it had been fine, that one must say. Another remarked that his three days at the Ski-ing school had been the pleasantest and most beautiful in his life.

The Parsenn Region, which is considered as the finest ski-ing country in Europe, is reached from Davos in 20 minutes by the Davos

Allies Protest To Russia

LONDON, Oct. 23 (Ex.) — The British Government's protest to Russia about her trade pact with Hungary also applies to a similar agreement between Russia and Rumania. A diplomatic correspondent says the British note to Moscow objects to the way in which the arrangements were reached without consultation with other Allied Governments.

It's announced in Washington that the U.S. has made it clear to Russia and Britain that it considers all former Axis satellite states are the concern of the Big Three, who should deal with any long term economic agreements. The U.S. also expressed its willingness to discuss plans for economic collaboration with Russia and Britain to help in the recovery of Hungary.

French Told Rationing Is Here To Stay For «Considerable Period»

PARIS, 23 (A.P.) — Raymond Dreux, of the Ministry of National Economy, told a news conference last week that the French people would not only have to put up with rationing systems for a considerable period, but would have to wait several years before their living standards rose to pre-war levels.

In a discussion of the outlook for the next few months in the program to get the French economy back to normal, Dreux said the emphasis would be on heavy industry and on exports and imports rather than on production of consumer goods.

He said the government hoped to get steel production up to about 4,000,000 tons a year and coal mining up to 75 percent of the 1933 level by next year. Expenditures for manufacture of essential equipment and for reconstruction, he added, were expected to total approximately 85,000,000 francs in 1946.

Uncle Joe Puzzle

WASHINGTON, Oct. 23 (Ex.) — A speaker of the American State Department stated that in Washington confirmation or denial of the



Dead or Dying?

news Generalissimo Stalin is ill, or even dead, has been received. The Soviet Embassy told correspondents that no information on this matter could be given as they themselves «possessed no definite information».

«Splendid Progress» In London, Stettinius Reports

WASHINGTON, Oct. 23 (Ex.) — Mr. Stettinius has reported to President Truman on the work of the executive committee of the United Nations preparatory commission meeting in London. He said that splendid progress was now being made. In London the executive committee has adopted the report dealing with the economic and social council to be set up as part of the United Nations organization. There were long discussions of several Russian amendments, some of which were carried. This is the fifth of the ten working committee reports to be passed.

Unrest Among Soviet Troops

LONDON, Oct. 23 (Ex.) — A correspondent of the Daily Mail reports from Vienna that serious unrest is said to have broken out among all the Russian troops stationed in the Balkans, in Austria and in Eastern Germany. It is said that the Russian soldiers are somewhat bewildered by the constant rumors of Stalin's illness or death and by the news that a number of marshals try to succeed the «Generalissimo» by all sorts of intrigues.

The correspondent writes that these rumors have led to a crisis in the Soviet High Command. It is estimated that 3000 Russian deserters are hiding in Vienna and at least 10,000 in Berlin. Similar figures are said to have been reported from all the other big cities occupied by Russian troops.

It is reliably announced from Bucharest, as the Daily Mail puts it, that several thousands desert the Red Army units in Roumania every month. The Soviet soldiers are reported to break into private houses and shops in order to get civilian clothes and to vanish».

WASHINGTON AND AUSTRIAN GOVERNMENT

WASHINGTON, Oct. 23 (A.F.P.) — A well-informed American has declared that the U.S. Government has no intention, for the moment, of appointing a diplomatic representative at Mr. Renner's Austrian Government. It is however learnt that Mr. Renner has not as yet made any request for such a representative. If such a request is made, consultations will probably be started immediately with London and Paris in view of undertaking common action.

It does not appear that the action of the U.S.S.R. in sending a diplomatic representative to Vienna, surprised the Department of State, which is astonished at the way in which Moscow settles the question unilaterally. It is remarked that no international agreement hinders the U.S.S.R. from exchanging diplomats with the Renner regime.

Will Meet to Split Reparations

PARIS, 23 (A.P.) — A conference of American, British, French and Russian technical experts will meet in Paris Nov. 9, to partition the reparations to be obtained in the western occupied zones of Germany. It was decided at the Potsdam Conference that Russia would retain all reparations obtained in her zone, plus 25 percent of that exacted from the other three sectors.

The remaining 75 percent is to be distributed among Britain, France, the U.S. and other countries with claims, such as the British dominions, Yugoslavia, Belgium, Norway and Greece.

Jap Executioner Awaiting Trial

TOKYO, Oct. 23 (A.P.) — The Japanese naval interpreter who boasted in his diary that he had «magnificently» beheaded an Allied prisoner of war, is in an Australian prison camp awaiting trial, it has been disclosed.

He is Kenneth Yumone, who was captured at Holland in Dutch New Guinea, on April 25, 1944. Yumone, a civilian with an assimilated rank of a lieutenant in the Navy, was sentenced to death for the execution of a prisoner of war, whom he believed I was magnificent.

The diary contained this passage: «October 24—Affair of the prisoner at Mooli airport. This afternoon I myself with my own Japanese sword beheaded an enemy soldier prisoner. This was a new experience for me, but I sensed myself up to it. Nothing can be done if one resolves to do it to the best of one's ability. «And I am convinced that given complete confidence I can carry out any task successfully. I really believe I was magnificent. Amongst the Japanese onlookers there were many who declared their admiration for my skill in making such an excellent stroke.»

The Japanese was identified by six patriots and he was identified by six patriots at the time of the incident. An exhaustive check disclosed that he formerly studied at St. John's College, Winnipeg. Canadian police secured a photograph which the missionaries recognized. The Allied authorities said he had admitted to other killings. The existence of an Allied organization which probed every captured document, such as Yumone's diary, has been before. Canadian police noted did not reveal the nationality of the Allied prisoner whom he beheaded.



Jack Ettinger, the Manager of the Davos Skiing School for Americans on leave, together with two earnest pupils from Harlem. Photo Föblich, Davos-Dorf

mittée for Swiss American Friendship» that has been formed at Davos has got to work to start the ski-ing school and to collect for the Davos inhabitants equipment for the GIs. The results have been better than one could possibly have expected; the ski-ing school is already being attended by from 60 to 100 American soldiers daily and the public in the States could hardly imagine with what enthusiasm their boys have taken up the matter. For them it is a new and unaccustomed sport, even though here and there one is observed who evidently is not on skis for the first time. And there is no want of humor either.

A day or two after having spent his first day at the Davos Ski-ing School under the superintendence of Jack Ettinger, one of the best known skiers in Switzerland, one of them was

Parsenn Railway. The Parsenn Region means for Europe just about the same as Sun Valley and Lake Placid mean in U.S. Long slopes provide both the practiced ski-er and the beginner with skiing suited to his capacity. High up there, at 8500 ft. above sea-level, many Americans on leave in Switzerland are enjoying themselves to their heart's content on the magnificent Parsenn ski-ing fields, a forest of real hawks winter ski-ing. How many of them would like to spend his holiday some day amidst these surroundings. And now that Switzerland is separated from New York by only 17 hours flying, it will perhaps be possible for one or other of them to come back and to continue his ski-ing on the spot where he has seen and practiced it for the first time in his life.



Lilliput

ONCE A HULA GIRL—

Lilliput

—ALWAYS A LEMUR

Sabotage of Eiffel Elevators Made Nazis Walk All Way Up

PARIS, 23 (By.) — An inventory by the company that operates the Eiffel Tower has determined that the fifty-six-year-old Paris landmark was a raters and active member of the resistance movement during the Nazi occupation.

While the Germans succeeded in maintaining a radar station on the topmost, 1000-foot-high platform, their approach to it was made as difficult as possible. The proof is found in the fact that among the most urgent repairs required are thousands of new stair steps to replace those damaged by the wear and tear of hobnailed boots.

Before the Germans entered Paris in 1940, tower engineers sabotaged the elevators, and for a long time the occupiers had no choice but to climb on foot to their lookout post. Even after elevator repairs were made, company employees professed to have no confidence in them, and the more cautious Nazis were per-

suaded to keep to the interminable stairs.

The operators now hope that the American reputation of the tower will be lifted soon so that preparations for the post-war tourist trade can be started. Before the German surrender the topmost platform also served the Allies as a radar site. Now the first and lowest platform is a night club for American enlisted personnel.

One of the company's most difficult problems will be the purchase of linseed-oil paint in commodity-short France. Thirty-five tons of it are required to coat the structure, which was built for the 1889 International Exposition. The tower has been painted every seven years, and had its last new spring trim in 1939.

When repairs are completed, it is expected that the spectacular electrical advertising will be seen again along the whole height of the tower. It was a feature of pre-war night life in Paris.

Americans on Leave in Singapore

SINGAPORE, Oct. 23 (Ex.) — A U.S. Naval squadron led by the battleships «Tennessee» and «California» has arrived at Singapore. They are the first American fleet units to visit Singapore since the Japanese surrender, and officers and men of the British fighting services who acted as hosts, made elaborate arrangements to give the Americans a rousing welcome. Thousands of Singapore residents lined the waterfront to watch them arrive.

American WAC Will Sing Tonight

BASLE, 24 (W.B.) — The Swiss National Broadcasting Corporation, Station of Beromünster, will broadcast to-night a special program with American music. At 8.15 p. m. *Tina Shirley Weary*, a WAC from Chicago, is going to sing sweet and sentimental songs; she will be accompanied by the well known Swiss pianist *Lothar Kölliker*. Shirley was in Switzerland on a seven days leave about two weeks ago; the Basle Radio Station then had some records made, and to-night the Swiss radio listeners will be able to hear a WAC's voice at a Swiss microphone.

Realtor Group Plans Homes At Cost to GIs

EUGENE, Ore., Oct. 20 (U.P.) — Returning Lane County, Ore., servicemen who find purchasing a new home difficult for their means will receive help through a project outlined by a group of Eugene real-estate dealers.

A group of realtors, members of the Eugene realty board, have formulated plans for building homes to be sold at cost to returning GIs. The dealers will purchase city-owned lots, taking care that no commissions will be charged on the transaction. Contractors' profits will be avoided by having construction done under the guidance of foremen and building tradesmen.

When finished, the houses will sell for less than \$6,000, with no profits realized by the realtors. When the ex-GI buys his house, it will be complete with landscaping and garden. Union labor will build the houses at union wages. A public accountant will check building accounts to ascertain that none of the houses has yielded a profit.

At the same time the plan benefits the veterans, in that it will be studied to determine the savings in building costs in group construction. The realtors believe that from 10 to 15 per cent of the costs can be cut by building in groups of 10.

The original group of 10 dealers who have formulated the plan hope to have other sponsor similar projects so that 20 or 25 such houses can be made available to the homecoming veterans.

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St. Louis is mobilizing to abolish its slums and to rehabilitate its blighted areas. In so doing it is going forth to do battle with two of the toughest, most complicated and disagreeing problems which modern cities face. And St. Louis is old, as American cities go. The roots of the difficulty go deep. But before any other metropolis raises a doubting eyebrow it would be well to remember that St. Louis has already banished a smoke pall as black as Pittsburgh's worst — a political and economic, as well as an engineering achievement. And the same banker, James L. Ford, who led the fight on smoke is heading the anti-slum campaign.

—From the Christian Science Monitor.



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NEWS FROM HOME

* An A. T. dispatch from Washington announces that the War Department has no plan for the transportation of the foreign brides of American soldiers...

* 50 Australian brides of American soldiers are going home today. Some are widows, some divorcees, and others just fed up...

* The transport «Florida» arrived yesterday from New Zealand bringing 120 wives of American soldiers...

* In Newport for redeployment to be in use next month is the Bremen 3400 will leave there. At Marsailles 520 men will be moved to make room for 800-pointers of the 66th Infantry Division...

* At Le Havre 430 WACs and Nurses of an original group of 700 are sweating out an extra six days at the camp Philip Morris...

* The War Department announces that the two million soldier was discharged Sunday. The Navy's new recruiting plan allows men to sign up for two, three, four, or six years...

* Lanny Ross, radio and movie star, has been discharged from the Army after 27 months in the South Pacific. He was in charge of the U.S.O. shows...

* Lieutenant General Wedermeyer in China says that the Japanese surrender came just in time to avoid the big Chinese offensive which was set for August 18...

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* General Marshall has ordered radical changes in the Japanese educational system. Military drill must be abolished. Courses in democracy and individual liberty are to be given...

* Four more American soldiers have died as a result of drinking poisoned liquor sold to them by Jap civilians. This brings the total to twelve.

* The Western Union Company has asked for a right to replace their system of wires by super-high frequency radio. They are going to have radio towers thirty miles apart...

* 500 volunteers of the radio Church of God started out Sunday morning, preceded by a glory band, to walk to the White House to pray for President Truman.

* In Los Angeles court, Moulden, the cartoonist, sued his wife for divorce, naming a one-time friend as correspondent. He asked for the custody of his two-year-old son...

* Helen Joyce Cook, 27 year-old night club hostess and entertainer, is held in Texas for the attempted murder of a naval officer named Osborne...

* Edwin Wilson, President of the General Motors Company, submitted the idea that we might have a 45 to 48-hour week and a basic wage increase rate of from 5 to 8%.

* Washington has appointed an eleven men committee to control the atomic bomb. The committee, which will start work at once, will be composed of six democrats and five republicans.

* A group of medical scientists urge a scientific research foundation stating that more new inventions are the only hope for future world peace.

* The Australian Malaria Research Society has been testing two secret drugs on volunteers. They seem to be superior to those used now, and have the advantage of not painting the skin yellow.

* The civilian seamen of the ship Tuscon Victory who claimed to be the first to have entered Tokyo Bay have written a letter of protest to the customs. They have not been allowed to keep their Japanese souvenirs...

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U.S. AND AUSTRALIA TO COMPETE FOR DAVIS CUP NEXT YEAR ROMANCE ANEW FOR CLARK AND LANA

NEW YORK, Oct. 23. — The Davis Cup, big silver tennis mug symbolic of world tennis supremacy, is coming out of its cocoon, where for seven war years it has been stored by Australia...

The Anzac challengers of 1938, headed by little Adrian Quist and slugging Jack Bromwich, were dusted off easily and didn't figure to do much better when they reached the finals the next year...

The Americans raced into a 2-0 lead in the five match affair as Frankie Parker took the measure of Quist, the first opponent of the two-handed forehand...

The pair looked at one another, dropped their eyes and silently walked out to the courts where Quist, in an inspiring exhibition, rallied repeatedly to upset Riggs and knot the series at 2-2...

The 1946 defending Davis Cup team will be comprised of two players—Adrian Quist and Jack Bromwich. According to Sir Norman Brookes, president of the Australian Lawn Tennis Association...

Brookes added that it is extremely doubtful that England will complete in the '46 Cup play and that American zone challenges are expected from Mexico, Argentina and Chile.



Once again, Clark Gable and Lana Turner are teamed together. This time they are newspaper reporters in «Somewhere I'll Find You». Its significance is established by the fact that much of the action occurs in the present total war. They are supported by Robert Sterling, Reginald Owen, Patricia Dane, Lee Patrick, Charles Dingle and Van Johnson.

Artie Shaw, Bandsman Marries Ava Gardner BEVERLY HILLS, Oct. 23 (A.P.) — Artie Shaw, the dance band leader, has married Mickey Rooney's former wife, Ava Gardner.

TRADE WEATHER U.S., RUSSIA MOSCOW, Oct. 23 (A.P.) — Russia and the United States are continuing their war-born exchange of Far North weather reports.

Commuter, 80, Has Covered 500,000 Miles PITTSBURGH, October (U.P.) — You wouldn't exactly call A. C. Robinson a world-traveler, but he has covered more than 500,000 miles in the past 70 years.

COAST GOLD OUTPUT AT LOW AS «BLACK GOLD» SETS HIGH SACRAMENTO, Cal. — October — (U.P.) — The «golden» state's production of metallic gold in 1944 was the smallest in any year since its discovery in 1848...



«Now, listen—let's not hear any burglars tonight. I'm dog-tired!» American Magazine

THE BAND BOX Jimmy MacPartland on the Continent By ANDY GERWITZ In New York, Café Society Up-town opened in after a complete re-decoration with mural pictures by Lucille Corcos.

THE WORLD ADDS UP James Fisher has collected place names numbered to ten thousand, with a few omissions. After twenty, he doesn't care, but if anyone can supply the missing 17 or 19 it would take a weight off his mind.

Sport News * Romsley, Rice's famous half-back, has been discharged from the Navy and will return to Rice to play.

Just A Word About The Swiss «Week» Swiss people are glad to import foreign goods — U.S. products too of course — for the bring us what we need.

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