

October 2, 1939.

Mr. L. Fred Evans,
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Dear Mr. Evans:

Our Professor W. W. Davis, the head of the Department of History here at the University of Kansas, spent the past two summers in Switzerland, and while there became very well acquainted with a Mr. DeNorris, an Austrian ex-army captain, who is now living in Italy but at the present time is staying in Switzerland.

Mr. DeNorris taught skiing at Murin and Zurich. He is also an excellent tennis player. This Austrian army captain desires a job in the United States teaching skiing, tennis and fencing.

I told Professor Davis that some way I had learned that you were going on week-end skiing parties to Colorado. I may be wrong in this, but I thought I read where a group of Kansas Citians left on certain week-ends for the only skiing country that I know of around here.

Last April I was in San Francisco, and went through Omaha on my way there. There were four cars of youngsters leaving Omaha for the week-end in Colorado, and coming back in time for work on Monday morning after their skiing party. Of course, this is done regularly out of Kansas City, but you were the only man that I knew of that would have information about skiing parties in this part of the country.

I imagine Professor Davis promised this gentleman that he would try to give him some information regarding skiing instruction in this part of the country. Doubtless this ex-army captain wants to get out of war-torn Europe. This Mr. DeNorris taught Professor Davis's young son some skiing this summer and a friendship developed there.

The only other skiing that exists in this part of the country is Sun Valley and I imagine Mr. Harriman has taken good