

Dutch honour Federal Councillor von Steiger

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Corporal Edna Wenger, of Smyrna, Del., was the first American girl to whiz down the 360-foot drop, but it remained for Sergeant Clementine DeLong, of Princeton, N.J., to be the first American girl to pilot a bobsled down the course. Lieutenant Colonel Howard Faulkner, of Leavenworth, Kan., was Sergeant DeLong's brake.

One mishap marred the day. A bobsled piloted by Felix Enderich, a Swiss, failed to make a turn and overshot the ice wall. Enderich, Mary Anderson, of Indianapolis, and First Lieutenant Robert L. McCormick, of Wilkes Barre, Pa., were thrown to the icy surface of the run as the sled caromed off the wall. They suffered minor bruises.

Every five days 300 Americans on furlough are expected to visit this one-time resort of nobility and millionaires.

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DUTCH HONOUR FEDERAL COUNCILLOR VON STEIGER.

As a token of gratitude for the help Switzerland has extended and is still extending to Holland for her reconstruction, the Dutch Society for Reconstruction has presented Federal Councillor von Steiger with a beautiful bowl of Delft pottery bearing the following inscription in Dutch: "Year of Liberation 1945".

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HEINRICH PESTALOZZI BY MAX ZOLLINGER.

It is my heart which has
 made me what I am.

On January 12, 1946, Switzerland has celebrated the second centenary of the birth of one of her greatest men. The world will join with her in commemorating the great philanthropist whose name has come to stand for love as the moving force in education wherever the voice of the human heart is heard.

It was no preconceived plan of action, but trouble and want which brought Pestalozzi to his mission as an educator. Everything he created in the passion of his heart at the Neu Hof, at Stans, at Burgdorf and Munchenbuchsee failed or was wrested from his hands by others. The crowning achievement of his work at Yverdon came to grief amid the unhappy dissensions of his collaborators. The last weeks of his long life were embittered by base slander of his selfless aims.